SENATOR MARESH: I hope it's a friendly question.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I think so.

SENATOR MARESH: Okay.

SENATOR HIGGINS: This bill creates a forms management

program act....

SENATOR MARESH: For everybody except the University and the state colleges. I forgot to mention that, because....

SENATOR HIGGINS: That's my first question.

SENATOR MARESH: Okay, they are independent in the Constitution so we felt....I guess the committee took them out by amendment.

SENATOR HIGGINS: So they would still have their own forms?

SENATOR MARESH: Yes. We found out by a Supreme Court case that we cannot tell the University what to do.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I don't think anybody can. The second question I've got is under Section 5 it says, "establishes the duties and functions of the Director". Does this mean we are going to be hiring a new person?

SENATOR MARESH: No, Director of DAS. He is called Director in the bill.

SENATOR HIGGINS: In other words, we are not going to create a whole new program, and....

SENATOR MARESH: No, that's what the committee was concerned not to establish....

SENATOR HIGGINS:new jobs.

SENATOR MARESH: That's what the committee was concerned about not establishing any more departments. So it is placed in DAS and the Director is the Director.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Okay, thank you, Senator.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Maresh, are you going to advance the bill?

SENATOR MARESH: I move that LB 292 be advanced to