

total authority and supervision over his interns. Well, that seems to be the best solution at this time and the splitting of supervision and authority only leads to fragmentation that confuses the interns and leads them to not know what to do and how to do it, and they don't learn as much from it, and we don't get the work we should from it. So I am definitely concerned about the program and I definitely think that we can improve it. I think perhaps the step of eliminating the program at this time through this amendment may be a bit too far-reaching at this stage but what I am suggesting is I am going to in a minute take the amendment off and perhaps resubmit it on Select File if a suitable solution can't be reached but I doubt that that will be necessary because I think there is a commitment again from some of the Senators I have talked to to try to work out the problems. And so at this time, if you also have seen a problem in this area, if you have had some difficulties with this program, I would like to talk to you about it and see what your situation is and what you would like to suggest. And so with that, I am going to ask permission to withdraw the amendment and to ask that we work on this further and proceed with the bill, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Any objection? Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I don't know that I will object to withdrawing the amendment but since this has been started I would like to know what the purpose is, Senator Wesely? Do you want to do away with the program? Do you want to pay everybody a certain amount that does work on this program? Do you want to have them replace other administrative aides? Just what are you hoping to accomplish by this? Now, so far, it has been with the Executive Board, I guess, and I would like to know what you are attempting, your purpose in presenting this amendment, and what you hope to accomplish by presenting it.

SENATOR WESELY: Okay, I guess my first intent was just to get rid of it because I didn't see it as being valuable. However, since that time in talking to other Senators, it has become clear that if properly supervised these students can provide assistance during the session that we need, that the extra workload of committees and extra workload of some of the Senators demands some extra help, and so perhaps these students are the best people on a part time, I mean, on a temporary basis to come in and help. I guess what I am looking for more than anything is to have a program that provides the help that they need but with the supervision that we need to make sure that we get our money's worth and the job is done right.