

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, the reason that we picked January 1 is that, obviously, the next Legislature, in its composition, would be making the selection and that is at the point it ought to be effective. As a practical matter, the Exec Board, I assume, could make a designation next December, but as a practical matter it would be for, as you stated, for one month and be meaningless and so...(interruption)

SENATOR WITHEM: They probably just...

SENATOR WARNER: ...with me any way. The idea is that it takes effect prior to the time that the next Legislature convenes and at that point would be...the selection method would be changed...

SENATOR WITHEM: Okay.

SENATOR WARNER: ...prior to the time we actually convene.

SENATOR WITHEM: Okay. Yeah, you're probably right. As a practical matter, it doesn't make that much difference, it's just the question came to my mind while I was speaking, if the intent of it is that next time we reconvene that the new procedure would take place, I think you're making a good suggestion.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Haberman, would you care to discuss the proposal?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, I have no objections to electing the chairman from the floor and I have no objections to having members of the Retirement Committee be picked by the Committee on Committees. My remarks previously was to show this body that the Executive Board did exactly what the bill is going to do. So I will support electing the chairman from the floor and having the Committee on Committees members select the members of the committee and I also will support this amendment to do it in 1990, or 1991, the amendment says 1991, as my understanding is that at that time we're going to review this new committee makeup that we adopted two years ago. We're going to get a report on, did it do what it was supposed to do? But, regardless of that, I will support the legislation and I will support this amendment. Thank you,