

change. Number one is that even if that was in the constitutional amendment, that would not prohibit for informational purposes to be put into the budget bill by campus, which as a practical matter I suspect would make no change. More importantly, though, in those states that do have that concept, at least with some people I have visited, all that really happens, and I think Senator Withem indicated that earlier, is that the board that has responsibility of allocating it inevitably have to explain to governors and legislators prior to the appropriations bill's passage how they are likely to allocate the funds because legislators have to defend their votes, too, and they are not going to be...

SENATOR PIRSCH: But then we come in and we do not necessarily or we add to or have additional, besides what the regents have come in for, for a different...

SENATOR WARNER: I have...I have no disagreement that that happens now.

SENATOR PIRSCH: And...and you think we should still have that authority?

SENATOR WARNER: And...and the potential, the potential for that to occur in the future is no change.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay, I have...I have one more question. Why would the regents not want this superboard power, the present regents?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, what they really want, as I think I have heard them over the years, is they want a pure superboard that has both governance and coordination. This proposal has coordination with the Board of Regents, but governance of the internal operations at each institution is with the Board of Trustees.

SENATOR PIRSCH: So this would leave too much, then, responsibility or with...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR PIRSCH: ...with the smaller college.

SENATOR WARNER: Part of the argument, as I understand it, is