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SENATOR CONWAY: Correct, but even in that situation we'd be talking about not a fiscal note to us. That would be a county board's...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: County note. Thank you

SENATOR CONWAY: ...decision.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. I'll now recognize Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Madam President, members, Senator Conway, perhaps this is putting you in an uncomfortable position since you aren't directly with the bill, but I guess I had some questions raised, too. Evidently it's a position now that the county clerk has to do it themselves, that's why the necessity for the bill? They can't have it, they have their deputy do it or something?

SENATOR CONWAY: As it comes down now, yes. The laundry list in the bill, as you can see, will designate a member county clerk, county comptroller, county manager, but that's where it is limited to that cadre as it is.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: So their position is that this is necessary in order to have anybody besides those specific people.

SENATOR CONWAY: I think since there was a laundry list there was a natural, legal assumption then that if you are going to have a list, that if you're not on the list you can't.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay. I can support that because I would say in practice, I would guess in practice that it's already spread beyond that, but I was also wondering if they could designate a CPA, for example, an outside firm to come in and do it under this change in law?

SENATOR CONWAY: Under this change I assume that, yes, anyone who the board deems to have the capacity and the capabilities and skills to do this, that they can contract with them whether it is internal or maybe to contract with an external person to perform this task.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: All right, thank you.