

it didn't come before Judiciary, as you know. The Government Committee I guess could answer that better than I, but numerous occupations come before us to become licensed all the time, and I think, you know, occupational therapists, you go on and on, occupations come before us to be licensed to police their own...their own occupation, and I think to limit who can be in that occupation. I think that is what licensing is all about.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, thank you, Senator Pirsch. What we have here, though, is a case where one person is given all of the authority, one person. Oh, here is a question I didn't ask Senator Pirsch. And, Senator Pirsch, when you show an interest in a bill like this, sometimes you wind up being a sounding board in a sense..

SENATOR PIRSCH: Sure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...of there being discussions.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Well, and I have some of the same concerns that has been expressed here.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, so then yours wasn't just a blanket approval of the bill?

SENATOR PIRSCH: No, I asked questions...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The idea of regulation is good, which I agree. Okay.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Yeah.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But here is the one that I want to ask because it bothers me more than any one else. The bill gives all this authority to one person, and forget the identity of the person who is the Secretary of State right now, because, personally, I like Allen Beermann, and I have said it so much, I don't mind saying it here. But I am looking again at what we are setting up here. The person has all this authority to set up rules, regulations, and everything else from which a complaint might develop. Should that person then be the hearing officer to resolve complaints?

SENATOR PIRSCH: You know, I...