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what impact there might be my merging them with the Department of Administrative Services. But because the Department of Personnel is one whereby employees file complaints or try to get review of negative actions taken against them, I think it should be maintained in a status of independence, which would not be the case were it placed as a division of DAS under the DAS Director. So what my amendment would do, so that we would have time to review all of this, is to say that the provisions of this bill relative to the Department of Personnel would not take effect until June 1st, 1993. That then gives us a session to look at this matter and determine whether or not we want to keep it that way. What I would rather do is just eliminate all reference to the Department of Personnel from the bill, and, in fact, I will withdraw the amendment that I put up there and allow the discussion to go forth, and then I will offer a substitute amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The amendment is withdrawn. Senator Crosby, do you wish to speak to the bill itself?

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam Chair. I do have a couple of questions for Senator Lindsay, if he would yield.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes.

SENATOR CROSBY: I have read this bill and I have paid some attention to it when it was introduced and so on because one of the concerns I have is taking a department, personnel or people, and putting it into a larger one, and I understand what you are saying about computers and so on. But at the moment, I don't see where there is any actual savings. My first question is that these people that you are talking about, positions, are accounting people more, are they not? Accounting. Accountants.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes. Well, some of the accounting functions. Personnel would have their accounting functions. DAS would have their accounting functions to keep things working.

SENATOR CROSBY: Then you refer to positions, that maybe some positions would be eliminated. That means some people who are now working in those positions would be laid out or would they be transferred to DAS?