

speak. So if you have some input I'd be...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Not anxious to speak, Senator Kristensen, but anxious to clarify. Senator Robinson was absolutely correct. I'd also like to add, however, that without this language it was also felt that whatever was needed, if the bill advanced from General File to Select File that would be the purpose of the A bill. Whatever they felt might be needed would be included in the A bill and that would be part of it, be more...would be more up front so everyone knew exactly how much money and what would, in theory, quote, be necessary, rather than an open door.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay, and I appreciate that. I guess I just want to make sure is that I don't have any problems with putting that in the A bill because you're going to need that anyway, obviously, depending on when they begin. But I need...I put in the Exec Board just, for nothing else, someplace to coordinate this through and so somebody had a little oversight as to how far the commission may go and what they may do. Somebody mechanically...obviously they're not going to be.. they'll be meeting while we're not in session. The Exec Board just becomes a lot easier mechanism to go through. I don't want to make them a state agency, and to that extent I don't have any problem with striking out personnel, office space and furniture. But there's still going to be some necessary things. If that's something that we need to clarify, obviously I can either do that at this stage of debate or on Select File. But your intention wasn't to starve, Senator Robinson, the commission...

SENATOR ROBINSON: No.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...and say, okay, here you are, but you don't get any of the tools to do (inaudible).

SENATOR ROBINSON: No, that wasn't our intention.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay, thank you very much. With that, I have no problem with the committee amendments. One of the things that you'll see here...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...is to allow for the compensation of some