

Senator Bernard-Stevens, I have a question. How is the director selected and then I will release you.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: The director was selected...they opened it up for applications and it was an interview process and the Governor actually appointed the director who is Jon Hill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Was it necessary or is it necessary that the Legislature play any part in approving that appointment?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: It was not deemed so by the bill, it was not. It was given totally to the discretion to the Governor.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. And the gentleman's name is Jon Hill you said.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: That is correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. And I hope that, he probably isn't listening to this, but if it comes to his attention what I've said that he'll know questions have arisen relative to his handling of the office and whether or not he is up to doing the work that was envisioned to be done.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Chambers, if I may, this I'll volunteer on my own. This is a small little twig I'm putting on the fire for you that I will make sure that he gets a copy of the transcript so that they're well aware because I agree with you they probably are not listening because they did not anticipate this discussion. I'll make sure they get a word-for-word transcript of it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you very much. And I would like when Mr. Hill sees this transcript to have him explain what his understanding of this language is. And because he may not have a copy of this amendment that I have before me, it is found in Section 83-925.07, subsection (1). That is the language that I'm dealing with now and I would want him to explain what he understands to mean...what he understands to be meant by the words, "and services are transferred to the office."

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.