

SENATOR HALL: One minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...can read these amendments and see that they will logically flow.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Chambers, your light is next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, those of you who are still in the Chamber and listening, when we had a bill related to the allocation of space in the Capitol, that bill mentioned certain constitutional officers by name, I don't mean the name of the person holding the office but the offices, as being exempt from the operation of that bill. So what I would rather see an amendment do is mention the constitutional officers...offices, and get rid of that every board and agency. If you're going to exempt the university and make the CEO the person, the state colleges and do the same, and mention the constitutional offices, that's one thing, but then to add every board and agency is exempt, if it's mentioned in the Constitution, and we don't know all of those boards and agencies but I know that the Parole Board is mentioned, and that's one which I think the Governor should have to...any contracts of this nature entered into by the Parole Board certainly should have to meet with the Governor's approval. I don't know what contracts they enter into or would enter into, but I still don't like the breadth of Senator Brashear's amendment, so let me ask him this question.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Brashear.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Brashear, suppose you would mention the constitutional officers and you would mention the university system and the board, state college board, and then leave out that part about every board and agency mentioned in the Constitution, would that achieve your purpose?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: It might, Senator Chambers. I actually, given constitutional issues where a board, commission or agency is established, if it is...if it is, is established by the Constitution, I actually believe the safer course is to not put the Governor in that position with regard to the contingent fee contracts, if any, of such a board, commission or agency. I believe it's purer in terms of separation of powers and everything else, and I guess the only...I...I hear what you're