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envisions. And so could you help me with what the words "county administrator form", what that means, from your point of view.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Hillman.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Yes. I think one of the comparisons you could use, Senator Kristensen, would be city governments that have a county administrative form of government. And that if that, what I would envision the implementing language to look like would be that this person would be a professional in government, in local government, and would be hired by the county board, that would carry out the administrative functions in the county. Currently, you cannot have that kind of assistance because of the elected officers, don't come under the realm of a county administrator. They're elected, so they're outside of that. So there is no accountability to the county administrator, who in turn would be accountable to your county commissioners or your county board.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Would...and to interrupt you just briefly, would this envision that the county board is the elected officials in the county? Because when the constitution talks about allowing elected officials, they not only envision electing the clerk and the assessor and the treasurer, but they also envision electing on an equal basis the county board of supervisors. Someone would have to be, in effect, the employer.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Yes.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Would that...would you see that as a conflict, or let's talk about how you envision electing some and appointing others. How does that work?

SENATOR HILLMAN: I think that will, we'll have to determine in statute how we want it to play out. But my vision of this is your county board would naturally be elected. They are, on a county level, what I consider your policymaking board. And policymaking, I think, officials should always be elected. It would be the administrative officials on a county level that could be appointed under the county administrative form, or would be with a county administrator. And the reason being is they are administrative in their nature, they don't make policy, they only carry out the policy of the county commissioners. But there is no direct line of authority. You know, I think if you