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to be very reactionary, reactionary to the current situation. And it sounds to me like we are either going to have to fall down on the side with the elected county board, or fall down on the side with the other elected county officials. I don't believe that public policy should be determined this way. Public policy should be broader than our opinion on the individuals who currently hold those positions. And I would like to see greater flexibility for local subdivisions on how they are structured and allow local subdivisions as many options for self-determination and self-structure as possible. Thank you

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Schmitt.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members, I would like to give my time to Senator Chambers.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Schmitt. Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I wish we would look at the language of this constitutional provision. Senator Brown and others may be well-intentioned in talking about theory, but the language of the constitution is what's going to prevail. There is no connection in this language whatsoever between this county administrator form of government and the notion presented that the county administrator is the one who is to do the appointing. First of all, we don't even know what a county administrator form of government is. It will be whatever the Legislature says it is, without any limit whatsoever. Here's the way the language reads, "The Legislature may provide by law for a county administrator form of government". Then it does not go on to say the county administrator shall appoint, it says, "in which county officers may be appointed". May be appointed by whom? By the mayor of the city, if the Legislature decides to say so, by a political boss, by the county board, by anybody. So you could create, under the language of this constitutional provision, anything you want to and call it a county administrator form of government. But don't give any appointive power to that county administrator. And you're not violating this constitutional provision. It doesn't require it. So I wonder if Senator Brown was aware of that? This is not talking about the counties being able to do what they want to do. It's saying that the Legislature can do whatever it wants to do to