

this, and what's gone on before, would do anything that was expressly mentioned by the Executive Council that wasn't approved.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, if you...if you pass this law, perhaps it could be read by them that in areas where no fee is specified by state law they need not have state approval and are open to entering into contracts of a term that would go beyond January 31 of 1998.

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: And that's why I was exploring this with the intent in mind of assisting the proponents of the bill with respect to being sure that by January 1 (sic), 1998, they were free and clear to make whatever comprehensive program they wanted to effectuate or to propose whatever program they wanted to effectuate without having to worry about whether there were contracts out there now, such as we have now. If there were contracts out there that we're extending beyond whatever program they wanted to put in place that would delay implementation or confuse implementation.

SENATOR HILLMAN: And then the other thing I guess I would think as a consideration is that we do plan to be back here next year.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time. Would like to recognize guests of Senator Lindsay, as a matter of fact, two of his cousins, Ed Lindsay and Joe Lindsay, sitting under the south balcony. So could you stand and be recognized. Thank you. Senator Chambers, followed by Senators Bromm, Pirsch, Brown and Robinson.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'll pass, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I...I just want to try to get back to clarify what the intent I think is of the proponents of this amendment with or without the Chambers amendment. The intent is that under Section 4, under Section 4, an agency may enter into a contract, where there has...where there is no fee specified by state law, providing they first provide a written report to the Executive Board of the proposed