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SENATOR BURLING: Okay. That's the committee amendment. Now, my amendment would take out that part that says, from a list of names submitted by a standing committee, and would give the Governor sole discretion to choose anybody from the state he wants to, to represent education on this commission.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So you have more confidence in Governor Osborne than you do in these legislative committees?

SENATOR BURLING: Well, right now we're operating under Governor Heineman. And if we can get this bill passed this year, why, the committee can start this summer.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Before Governor Heineman is gone?

SENATOR BURLING: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you change the number of people on this commission?

SENATOR BURLING: No, I leave it at 15, just like the committee recommended.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And I think my time is up, so I will wait until I'm recognized to continue. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Wehrbein, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Unicameral. I want to say I'm struggling with this. And I guess I'm going to go with my instincts. My instincts were off the first...I'm not sure where we're headed with this, I...Senator Burling. And I agree with probably the need for it. But I sense a disconnect between what the Revenue Committee had in mind, perhaps, and the Syracuse. At least...I'll restate that. We had the Syracuse commission, which spent several hundred thousand dollars, and we have this one, that's...it's come somewhere along the line of what Senator Chambers is saying, that is somewhat less. I do believe in using the senators in the process, because it does buy in because nothing