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SENATOR HIGGINS: How many librarians do we have besides research?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, we have a couple...

SENATOR HIGGINS: The point I am getting at is I'm just...I'm questioning \$20,000 to do a study to come back here on nothing but a resolution on something that we've debated twice already, the first time on LR 16 when it was killed, the second time when LR 16 was brought up for reconsideration. Now we are going to do a study on it. It all seems very facetious, and now we are being asked to spend \$20,000 to help do the study. I'm very sincere when I say I don't get the point of it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, it sounds to me, Senator Higgins, like you are against the study altogether, in which case...

SENATOR HIGGINS: I am against wasting the Legislature's time on doing a study when we've already discussed LR 16 twice...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR HIGGINS: ...and we've been two days on this LR 335, and...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well the study is not my idea, Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I know, I'm not...I'm just speaking to you as Chairman of the Executive Board.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. My feeling is just that if the Executive Board is going to do a study then it should be done right. If you're not going to...if you don't think the study is necessary, fine. But I don't want...

SENATOR HIGGINS: My feeling is that, if they're going to appoint 12 people, they ought to do the study and not hire somebody else to do it. I wish to God I could hire somebody to do the study that I've had to do on the Health Department and on this subcommittee thing, somebody else, Senator DeCamp's aide has been doing the studying. But I'm still the one that has to sit there and weed through these reports and go through them, and over, and over, and over again. It