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a director of what we call now the general services commission, and they in turn then would start the ball rolling as far as the department is concerned. Now there is one other thing that this bill does. That is to simplify in the statutes the organization of the service department. We have added over the years quite a little bit in the way of statutory additions to the language of the department of administrative services and some of us at least think that there ought to be some flexibility and we don't know or rather need to spell out each individual inch of structure. Therefore there is less structure spelled out in this bill than there is in the enabling or succeeding legislative acts as far as the department of administrative services is concerned. Now, if you would care to, I would like to take a moment and go through a half a dozen of these sections for your information. Section one of the amendment which in effect is the bill sets up the purposes of the act, and I would stress one other point here. In the fifth line it says provide an independent department, that goes back to what I said. We have an independent department beholding neither to the Legislature nor to the Governor but beholding in effect to both. Down under subsection five on page one, it talks about providing technical assistance, council, and information both to the Governor and to the Legislature. Then I would call your attention to page 7 of the amendment, section 4. This spells out the creation of a Governmental Services Commission. You can see there the officers that are listed, who would be the members of this commission. Section 5 on page 8 would indicate that the director of Governmental Services would be appointed by the commission in other words the individual who would administer this agency and would serve basically four year terms and can be reappointed. One of the points here is that you come up for renegotiating of your contract every four years. On page 9 section 9, it talks about the fiscal function of this particular governmental services and basically these definitions are taken from the original enabling legislation for the department of administrative services. Section 10 on page 10, spells out the following powers and duties, and I would call attention to only this on line 16 on page 10 of the amendment. That has to do with the fact that it provides the legislature and the Governor, it spells out both, in case there is any question about this. Technical advice and information, that is stressed in subsection two and three on page 10. On page 12 section 12 of the amendment it talks about the state controller having to do with the accounting division. On page 15, section 15 it talks about the budget division. On page 22 of the amendments starting with line 17 it talks about the budget preparation as far as the Governor is concerned he in effect would have his own budget staff now. On line 23 section 31 talks about the data processing division it is a highly important area. On page 27, section 34 talks about the coordination between this division and the departments that are going to use the services and what services we are talking about. Page 30 section 36 talks about the purchasing division spells out its duties. I think that these are the major areas that I would like to call to your attention about...without boring you with a lot of details. I want to repeat what I said in summary. This is a piece of legislation that was studied by a subcommittee of the appropriations committee during the interim. It was, introduced and comes to you by unanimous vote by the appropriations committee and