

the required strength and also regionalize from the local level. So I think that the main battle and in this...the main battle is when you talk about regionalization of welfare services you are simply talking about people from the state office going out to the regions and still running the programs from the state office or whether by regionalization you really mean decentralization, and letting the people on the local level run those programs. This budget includes 15 additional people for quality control

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11 for quality insurance and 26 people in that area and 6 medical social workers. So I think that this is the philosophy that the committee went along with the idea that if we are going to increase staff it should be increased. They ran this on a local level where the recipients are and where the problems are and where the problems are understood. So that is my answer to the request on the part of the welfare department that there \$400,000 be reinstated.

PRESIDENT: Now are you all through discussing the amendment? If so, Senator you may close. Senator Cavanaugh is now closing on his amendment number five.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: I would reply to some of the comments that Senator Marvel made. I do agree with him to the extent that I think that there is involved here a certain confrontation between local welfare control and the state office welfare. But basically whether there is a need or not to increase the number of quality control personnel, to the level that the welfare department feels necessary and whether this money or this appropriation is necessary is the same question no matter who has the control I think. Because the state welfare department pays those individuals no matter who there immediate superior is and from the funds that we have appropriated. So, the judgment still has to be made as to whether or not we have adequate quality control to meet what the federal government requires to minimize the error level. I think that that necessity still exists. It is probably not appropriate for us, at least I don't feel that it is, to at this time make the judgment on who should have the primary responsibility the local people or the state people. Personally I believe that the state people should because they are ultimately accountable to the federal government which controls the majority of the funds in this area. I really don't think that a...a...to interject into this discussion the difference of opinion between some local welfare departments and the state welfare department is entirely appropriate. Now I don't know if Senator Marvel made the motion to have this laid over or not, did he?

PRESIDENT: I don't think the Chair heard any motion on it.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: OK, then I move the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Alright, any further discussion...OK, that closes the discussion of the amendment then. Question is do you want to adopt the Cavanaugh amendment. All those in favor will vote aye, those opposed will vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.