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SENATOR HABERMAN: That's right.

SENATOR NICHOL: Then if we could solve that problem by having the counties that have more than one surveyor in them be elected, then this would solve your problems and let those with one or less do as they please, because if that one surveyor in a county doesn't want to run, they still have to go outside just as the other counties where they have no surveyors. Right?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Right.

SENATOR NICHOL: Now, so far, is this what your bill says? Or does it say that when one surveyor lives in a county, he can have that job?

SENATOR HABERMAN: The bill states that when a qualified surveyor lives in the county, and he does not run for the office, whether it be full-time or part-time, then the county board can contract or they can go outside of the county on a basis...case by case basis.

SENATOR NICHOL: Okay. Thank you. Now if the...say there are two in the county and the board feels one is qualified and one isn't qualified, ever though they both have the licensing and whatever is required to fill the job, why wouldn't it be well for the county board to be able to choose the one that they would like?

SENATOR HABERMAN: They can on a contract basis.

SENATOR NICHOL: But if the poorer one should run for election, they have to take him. Right? Now...

SENATOR HABERMAN: That is right.

SENATOR NICHOL: Now the way it is in your bill.

SENATOR HABERMAN: If the poorer one of the two wants to run and is elected, he is the county surveyor.

SENATOR NICHOL: That's right.

SENATOR HABERMAN: And I personally wouldn't care to fuss with that.

SENATOR NICHOL: Alright, you want to nail it down so they have to be elected then, even though it's one or more?