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creates an Affirmative Action Committee to be appointed by the Governor. Is that correct?

SENATOR KEYES: That is so, and with one man that is... what is the one man?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you, Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Yes.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Marsh, may I ask you a question, please?

SENATOR MARSH: Certainly.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Marsh, you stood up the other day and you said that you were talking in favor of the Committee. You made the remark, I believe, that the aged are going to be on the Committee. There are going to be some aged on the Committee...the aged. I believe you made the remark that there are going to be some minorities on the Committee, and I believe you made the remark that there are going to be some women on the Committee.

SENATOR MARSH: Yes, sir.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Now, in the minorities that are going to be on this Committee, do you suppose there's going to be possibly an Indian and a Mexican-American on this Committee also?

SENATOR MARSH: Sir, I will...I'll leave that to the Governor's discretion, since he does the entire appointing.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, I'm going to assume, fellow senators, that the Governor will be broad-minded and put a representative of all the minorities on this Committee, so now what do we have? We have the same people on one Commission that a few weeks ago some of our learned senators decided could not and should not work together, and I want to say, will miracles never cease? Now, I'll go a step further. I have heard them say, this is the...the administration wants this. Well, that may be fine, but I feel that if we looked at this, I have a hard time separating it from the duties of the Office of Equal Opportunity. They are to go out and do all of these things, and we're already spending \$600,000 for the Office of Equal Opportunity. So I would...and I have heard it said that this