

state has right now. It would take from the counties and send to the State Bureau of Vital Statistics more responsibility, but in doing so we think we would have a more efficient operation. The committee amendments that were adopted are basically technical in nature. For those of us that debated the pituitary gland issue and have been talking about living wills, we are once again dealing with death because the amendments the committee have adopted have a more uniform definition of instead of dead bodies it is dead human bodies. That is one of the big changes in the committee amendments so you will want to be aware of that. We also deal with some other changes like the age of majority is identified as age of 18 since we don't really have an age of majority and some other things like that. So I move the committee amendments at this time that are technical in nature and brought to us by the funeral directors and approved by the Health Department.

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Haberman, do you wish to speak on the amendment?

SENATOR HABERMAN: The amendment or the bill?

SENATOR MARSH: The amendment is up right now. Excuse me, I should call on Senator Miller but his light didn't go on. Senator Miller is first since it is his bill, to respond to the amendments.

SENATOR MILLER: Basically, that is what it does is what Senator Mesely said, except that I approach it from a different angle and that is that it makes government a little bit more efficiently run through efficiency. Right now we are registering birth and death certificates in the county and then they have to be forwarded to the central office of the Health Department and I think it would be better business to eliminate that one step which could cause an error. I want to tell a few other things that the bill does. It makes it more efficient in that it does provide for the orderly disinterment or removal of bodies from cemeteries. It also provides for an orderly method of establishing procedures for cremation and it does provide, which we did not previously have, a more direct and