

most helpful on this major piece of legislation dealing with the rewrite of all the abstracting laws. One of the reasons I think he has been most helpful is that he has more than a passing knowledge of the subject because that is the business he is in. I notice from time to time we get help from people in the educational field, whether it be Senator Remmers who had a great deal of experience as a school superintendent, and we tend to listen to those people who have experience and knowledge in the field and maybe Senator Beutler's amendment does have merit. But then again if we are going to follow the principle in administering or having the administration of these laws that some would like to lay out for the Legislature, we would want to make sure that board was all lay persons who had absolutely no knowledge of the subject whatsoever. So just do whatever you think is right on the amendment and I certainly see the compelling reason Senator Beutler is offering it but it is an interesting thing to think about.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, again, I don't know if I have a big problem with the amendment either although I don't know that it adds anything either. But we go back to some years ago when we started all the sunset things, there may have been one or two of these licensing boards that had a public member, but essentially it has been added to virtually every one of these licensing boards over the last five years now, six years. And the concept always was that a licensing board ought to perhaps have someone representing the public generally. I don't think it was perceived that they were to be specialists, but it was perceived that it was someone with common sense. I hesitate to strike the word "knowledgeable" suggesting that they should be people that are not knowledgeable, but by the same token, I fail to see where it adds to the concept that was originally put in for public members. It seems to me that an adequate description is the judgment of the Governor who does the appointing. I doubt seriously that the word "knowledgeable" adds more or takes away, for that matter, from that selection process but I assume it could become a point of argument on some confirmation at some time. But if there was to be an argument on a confirmation, that could take place very readily without the addition of these words. So I am inclined to not support the amendment as I don't really see that it adds anything at all to the selection process