

but in many instances in the county levels as well. It never did make any sense to me but we deal with the realities of what we deal with. So, ideally, I would change that position to where it wouldn't even be elective, but I know we are not going to do that. So since it is a technical position, since it is an elective position, it makes sense to me to put in some qualifications and that is what this amendment would do. I would urge the adoption of this amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Vickers amendment to the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Simple majority. Have you all voted? Simple majority on this. Vote if you care to. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 17 ayes, 9 nays on the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The committee amendment is adopted. Now we are on the committee amendments. Do we have another amendment to the committee amendments? Okay.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend the committee amendments by striking subsection 2 and I assume, Senator, the language in there is the part you are striking. Right? So Senator Chambers would strike the language which reads, Mr. President: (Read the Chambers amendment as found on page 1986 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, when compromises as they are called are drafted, things are put in that have no meaning whatsoever. I would like to ask Senator Vickers a question because it is his amendment that I am dealing with. Senator Vickers, is account...is an accountant licensed in this state?

SENATOR VICKERS: Is an accountant licensed?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Does an accountant have to have a license to be considered an accountant?

SENATOR VICKERS: I don't believe so. If they are a certified public accountant, they are.