

SENATOR VICKERS: I don't think that the State Auditor would have the time to look at every detail, but I would assume that they would check certain ones.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So then the auditing that basically will be done...let me not say basically, the substantial amount of auditing that will be done throughout this state will be done by somebody other than the auditor himself or herself, the actual work of the auditing.

SENATOR VICKERS: That is correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Vickers. If the work of auditing is not going to be done by the auditor, why does the auditor have to be a CPA or have a degree in accounting? The main work is to supervise and oversee. So if you are going to put in these arbitrary requirements, give a degree, not of logic, not of logic, but of apparent substance by ensuring that the person who is going to have this job have some administrative ability. We don't require other people who run for offices to have degrees. We, who deal with education matters, don't have to have a high school education. We don't have to have set foot in a school. We were talking the other day about an \$846 million budget and we are not trained as accountants. I helped get an amendment adopted that would save some money for the Legislature for renovation, yet I don't know the first thing about renovating. When the shop that I work in was being fixed, and all of you have heard this, one of the guys was going to help the carpenter do the work. So they are putting in the floor and he poured all these nails out and some of the nails fell on their heads so they were sticking up and he was throwing them away. And the carpenter asked him what he threw them away for. And he said, well, since we are putting in the floor we need nails with heads on the top. So in order not to offend him because he was his boss, the carpenter said, well, don't throw those away, we will use those on the ceiling. That is what happens when people don't know something. So how is it that I, who know nothing about renovation, can talk about the need for it? What I hope you will do is accept this amendment and it will at least give some substance to what it is that is appearing to be done here. But I will say it every time I speak on this matter, you are not setting qualifications for an office. That is clear. You are settling a squabble that is going on out in the Rotunda. That is why an illogical amendment such