

strictly dealing with veterinary medicine, it takes out the Chairman of the Executive Board, which is one of the key people on this committee, and replaces him with the Chairman of the Agriculture and Environment Committee and also puts three more people on the committee from the Agriculture and Environment Committee.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Now, Senator Pappas, doesn't it say, for an act relating to the college of veterinary medicine, and you are saying, and this is Senator Vickers' bill, and you are saying his amendment doesn't apply to his own bill?

SENATOR PAPPAS: His amendment is much broader than the bill itself. His amendment deals with total postsecondary education when dealing with interstate cooperation, which I agree with his basic intent. I think it is a brilliant idea. But my amendment basically tries to clarify and just deal with the bill itself and not all of postsecondary education.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Okay, and then your amendment would say what?

SENATOR PAPPAS: That part of the committee, that dealing with the veterinary college or the bill would include on the committee and strike Executive Board Chairman and put on the Chairman of the Agriculture and Environment Committee and also add two more people to the committee itself that would be from the Agriculture and Environment Committee because these are the committee...plus the Education Chairman is already on there that deal basically with veterinary medicine.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Okay, thank you.

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Morehead.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Madam Chairman and colleagues, I decided at this time that probably it is appropriate to speak to the Pappas amendment as well as to the Vickers amendment. I rise to oppose the Pappas amendment and to support the Vickers amendment. I do feel that there are many decisions in this state that must be made when it comes to the budget. We are in the throes of that right now and this certainly is no small item when it comes to budgetary matters. I do think that we need to protect agriculture, obviously, in