

premium, they won't cover the cost that they will bring into the system. So the premium will be paid for by those individuals, but it won't cover the additional cost and we'll see a five to 10 percent increase in the cost of our health insurance program and I think if we're going to do something like that it ought to be done right through a statutory change, through a bill, through a hearing and through careful consideration by this body, but not through an amendment to a budget bill. So I'm sorry, Senator Pappas, I don't think this is a good approach. I'd oppose this amendment and ask your opposition as well.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Lundy, please.

SENATOR LUNDY: Mr. President, I would ask you to rule as to whether or not this is germane.

SPEAKER NICHOL: We're checking the sections and so forth. Senator Lundy, it's a good question. It's kind of a shaky do, but I would rule that it is germane. It's in the right section, has to do with money, so I'd rule that it is germane. Thank you, it's an interesting question, though. Senator Pappas...no, I guess you can't close yet. Yes, you can. Senator Pappas, would you like to close on your motion?

SENATOR PAPPAS: Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, for a very intelligent and wise decision on the germaneness by the way. But that section does, the section we're talking about does deal with the insurance and insurance premiums so I felt it was germane all along. That's why the amendment was originally drafted. The amendment, basically, is similar to a bill that is out of committee and if you notice the former colonel of the state patrol just retired at 56. If it was at 51 he might have retired five years ago. Also there was, basically, no opposition against the bill as in committee and the impact would, basically, be nonexistent because of the low number of turnover, coming from the fiscal analyst's office, the people, there's just not that many people in the state patrol and they don't retire that often. I'd ask for the adoption of this amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Pappas amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.