

still here...may still be here from the past but there is an amendment here on the desk now.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Pappas would move to amend Senator Landis's amendment. (The Pappas amendment appears on page 682 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Pappas.

SENATOR PAPPAS: Mr. President, colleagues, as has been stated so many times before, in the spirit of compromise that I move to amend Senator Landis's amendment to basically strike the word "Governor" to appoint the 12-member committee and insert the "Executive Board" and also strike "March 25" and insert "March 15". I think this is a fair, fair compromise and I am sure everybody, including Senator Landis, will agree to. It puts it back in with the people that actually do the work. It puts a more realistic date for accomplishment that we can still have time to have the bill on the floor of the Legislature and debate before the session ends this year and still get the input we need to act intelligently on this matter.

PRESIDENT: Okay, Senator...I am going to go with lights that I have here. We are talking now on the amendment to the amendment. Senator Harris, do you wish to speak on the Pappas? Senator Conway, do you wish to speak on the amendment to the amendment?

SENATOR CONWAY: Yes, Mr. President. I will rise in support of Senator Pappas's amendment to Senator Landis's amendment, in that I think it is extremely important for us as a body that if we are going to put together a group of people, that we follow through the provisions that have been outlined in the statutes, not continually abrogating our authority and running around and having the type of task force approach where general citizenry is invited in, and with this proposal that I originally put forth, I was looking for facts. I am not looking for emotion. I think what the body needs is the facts. As we talk about having task force, we drag along and we have continual public hearings. At some point in time the input has been there and I think with the Executive Board, the Executive Board has the ability to assign a special committee, give that special committee the authority to have the various individuals of government come before them. I think without question that this committee