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The Chair recognizes Delegate Maurer for the moment. Has the Chair correctly stated your amendment?

DELEGATE MAURER: Yes, sir. Dr. Pullen and I were discussing whether the next sentence is necessary in view of the fact that only the school system and perhaps the University of Maryland would have a board or commission to head it, and we were giving this a momentary consideration.

THE CHAIRMAN: I will repeat this so there will not be any question about it: "Except for the state public school system and institutions of higher education, the head of each principal department of the executive branch shall be a single executive."

The Chair recognizes Delegate Winslow.

DELEGATE WINSLOW: Mr. Chairman, may I ask a question of Delegate Maurer?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Maurer, do you yield to a question?

DELEGATE MAURER: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Winslow.

DELEGATE WINSLOW: Delegate Maurer, if your amendment should pass, would it still be possible for the legislature to provide a department with an advisory board to work with the chief of the department?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Maurer.

DELEGATE MAURER: Yes, it is my intent that advisory boards would continue, but policy-making boards would be limited to education.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Mr. Chairman, I know you have been very patient in reading the amended language to the amendment, but I am wondering, sir, whether or not it would be in order for a delegate to request, if there is going to be a substantial amendment that the amendment again be reprinted and put on the delegate's desk.

THE CHAIRMAN: The amendment is being printed now. You mean you would rather have it before you to discuss it?

Let me suggest this: you have your blue copy in front of you, rather than Amend-

ment No. 17; I think you could mark your blue copy very readily without a great deal of writing, if I give it to you again.

This is not for the purpose of stating the amendment, but merely for the purpose of having you carry the amendment into effect on your blue copy.

In line 50, on page 7, at the beginning of the sentence, before the sentence, insert "except for the state public school system and institutions of higher education."

Then on the next page, in line 1, strike the words "including the chief" and strike all of line 2, and then in line 3, put a period after "executive" and strike the words "unless otherwise", and on line 4, strike the words "provided by law."

Do you have it now, Delegate Case? Does everybody have it?

Delegate Storm.

DELEGATE STORM: Mr. Chairman, I would like to oppose this amendment.

THE CHAIRMAN: You may proceed.

DELEGATE STORM: On our Committee in the discussions one of the leaders of the majority said that the Constitutional Convention Commission had lost its nerve in not going down the through street and making all heads of departments single executives.

It was when the minority joined them in some of the test votes that we realized that this was going a little far. Now, I certainly do not want our state superintendent of schools to be appointed by the governor, but it seems to me rather selfish for these theorists who believe in single heads not to have it really nice and clean, and even have a single head for the education department too.

I personally do not favor this because it seems selfish to me for them to get immunity and to treat them differently from others. They will be able to say "Well, no one else must be treated differently, regardless of the wisdom of the legislature in the future. You must not grant anyone else this privilege." Now, it seems to me this is a very selfish thing to do.

I think we should trust the legislature to provide for a department to be headed by a board of commissioners, if in their wisdom this is necessary.

Why you are unwilling to trust them for this I cannot understand, especially when