

taking out the phrase "unless otherwise provided by law". I truly think that setting up the state board of education would come under the education article. I think education is provided for in the Committee Report and my only effort was directed toward a decision on the question of whether we were to have single executives for all agencies other than education. I would suggest that this is the key phrase that we are voting on, and if you want single executives other than education, you support Dr. Bard's amendment. If you prefer to have a choice of whether you have boards in education and elsewhere, then you vote against Dr. Bard's amendment. I shall vote against Dr. Bard's amendment.

Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN: I think the way you stated it, Delegate Maurer, you had it in the converse, not as to your voting but as to the effect of it. If you desire to have the legislature determine whether the head of a principal department should be a single executive or a board, you would vote for Delegate Bard's amendment.

Delegate Storm.

DELEGATE STORM: This little new amendment that has been offered, it seems to me, brings in one other thing that you may not want to bring in. The present governor and administration, I believe, has a formidable persuader or someone in the education field who is trying to get all the folks in education working together so that they will be more efficient.

Now, the Committee, I believe, has protected boards of education well enough so that we are going to have the board of education actually run the school system and the board of regents run the University of Maryland and those boards will appoint their chief administration officers. This is in line with what the legislature has already done. They have set up the legislative system which we have. You see our present Constitution does not provide for much of this, but I believe if you vote away from the Committee Report you even prevent the executive from trying to get the boards of education and others interested in education all working together. I submit that the perfect answer to this, if there is one, is to support the committee position.

The next perfect answer would be to support Dr. Bard's position, so I suppose that is about as confused as I can make it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Marion.

DELEGATE MARION: Mr. Chairman, I apologize for finding it easier to spring up out of my chair than Delegate Harry Taylor has found it, but I wonder if I might address a question either to you or Delegate Morgan, perhaps to Delegate Morgan. If this language which we are now considering in the Bard amendment is adopted now and subsequently by the adoption of the Maurer amendment or the adoption of your Committee Report and if the legislature pursuant to that language does provide for departments to be headed by boards, is it within the power of the governor under the reorganization system which is outlined in another section to change that structure of the operation of a department from one run by a board to one run by a single executive?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: The answer to your question is yes, Delegate Marion.

*(Applause.)*

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Grumbacher.

DELEGATE GRUMBACHER: Mr. Chairman, I just wish to tell you that I am ready for the question and have been for quite awhile.

THE CHAIRMAN: May we proceed to the question, then?

The question arises on the adoption — will the Clerk ring the quorum bell, sir?

DELEGATE SYBERT: Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Sybert.

DELEGATE SYBERT: Before we vote will you give us the exact amendment on which we are voting.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Della.

DELEGATE DELLA: I would like to know from Delegate Morgan his position and his Committee's position as to the amendment on the amendment.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: Mr. Chairman, I am opposed to both amendments and in favor of the Committee's position.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Della.

DELEGATE DELLA: That is all I want to know.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are you ready for the question?