

they relate to each other and this is a little departure from our usual system, of course. Is that all right with you if you just explain 342 and then we go back and act on 193?

SENATOR CLARK: Mr. President, members of the body, it doesn't make any difference to me about the amendments. I'd be happy to accept the amendments, the Committee amendments, but whatever you want to do is fine with me.

PRESIDENT: Well, let's not act on the Committee amendments. Let's go ahead on your bill, 342, unless the Committee amendments drastically alter it. If you can make your explanation of 342, apparently that is the way the body wants to consider the issues

SENATOR CLARK: Well, now as 342 as originally introduced called for an increase of about 16% from \$62 to \$72. This would have meant a total increase of 30% since 1969 or a total increase of 60% since 1967. Now that's what has been happening. We used to get this every two years. Now with the advent of annual sessions, we are getting this every year. I don't know where they are going to stop or whether they ever will stop or not. I don't care how far they go, but I think if labor wants to have an insurance policy, I think they ought to have a self-participating policy and I would certainly go along with that. If they want to pay half of the increase, let them pay half of the increase and let's have a policy. I'd like to tell every farmer in here to look this thing over pretty well because you are going to be under this. You kicked it out this year. You kicked out all the servants but eventually you are going to have it. They don't give up. They are coming back every year and you are all going to get it. Now, you don't know what trouble is until you get that with all the little old housewives having to pay this thing, too, with the minimum. Now, someone tried to agree on a \$80 figure instead of an eighty-nine dollar figure. An eighty dollar figure would seem much more reasonable to me even than the eighty-nine. However, I will accept the eighty-nine. The difference is in this bill and the other one, it has the same money right now but we know what the money is going to be, a tremendous increase from 20

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