

to the set but it is not three complete new sets each year. Even those of us who are in the Legislature and have been here before and new people come and are given their complimentary sets, we don't at the beginning of each session get a brand new set. We just get the supplements and whatever else has to be added. So I don't think in the name of cheap or in the interest of being cheap, we ought to cut those members of the Legislature who make proper and good use of these statutes. I support the committee amendment as amended and one other point I would like to add here. The more we degrade the Legislature and indicate that it can function properly on nothing, the less esteem the public will have toward the Legislature. If we begin to demand and insist on those tools and those facilities to enable us to properly do our job, we will prepare the public mind to accept the idea that this job has certain requirements that go with it, and to meet those requirements properly necessitates the expenditure of money. If money cannot properly be spent for statutes, I can't think of anything connected with the Legislature it could be more properly spent for. In which case, the salary of the Senators, as meager as it is, should be reduced proportionately. Since we are reducing the number of statutes by a third, I imagine by a logic the salaries should be reduced by a third, the staff should be cut by a third, the office space, everything. Since Senator Newell's amendment makes it optional to receive a third set, the public will have a way of zeroing in on those of us who seek a third set and I will be one of those people. I don't apologize for it. I would explain it because as a public official part of what I do is of interest and concern to the public. On all matters public like that, anybody can ask me whatever they want to about it and I will answer it but I don't think that we have to apologize for seeking the equipment we need to do the job.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cope, do you wish to speak to the...we have already adopted Senator Newell's amendment. Do you wish to speak to the committee amendments now?

SENATOR COPE: I have a, Mr. President, members, question of Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Go ahead.

SENATOR COPE: Where do volumes that are turned in by the senators each two years, where are they used? There would be approximately 36 volumes to (interruption).

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. Clerk, pay attention to this question, would you please. I can't answer it.

SENATOR COPE: And I am just wondering where those 35 to 40 volumes go each two years when they are turned in.

SENATOR BARNETT: Are they recycled, Pat?

MR. CLERK: I am not sure I understand your question.

SENATOR BARNETT: Where do the used sets go? Senator Cope wants to know, when we turn in the used sets after receiving the new ones, when we turn the old ones back, where do they go?