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in our pay scale for senators where we're elected officials. I would certainly support Senator Kruse's amendment to the bill, but I don't think I would support Senator Smith's amendment. I don't think it needs to be tied to anything about what the average wage is or that sort of thing. I think we need to go ahead and set a figure. The reason I voted for the \$18,000, mostly because they did have a cost of living increase type deal or an increase, and probably I figured by doing it that way they wouldn't have to be worrying about wages or increasing the salary for several years. There would be a certain amount of increase over a period of years; probably take care of most everything as possible. This isn't something that we do because we're going to make a living at it, I wouldn't think, because if it is, it'd be pretty slim living. I think this is something we do because we think we want to and have a sense of duty, and it is something that people like to do and it is an office to be gained and respected. So there are, whenever there's an office comes up in some of these districts, there are usually a number of people that apply for them. I do think they need to have enough compensation so that they don't go in the hole or completely go broke in the process of doing this type of business, but it is more than just a 90-day job or a 60-day job. And it's...some of the work that I've seen written around here that they call it nearly 24/7, and it is. I found out that usually you have to set your schedule up so that you don't do much on Sundays, or try not to do legislative work in your district on one day a week, whatever day you want to pick, and usually that works the best. So I figure my job is six days a week and I don't complain about it at all. I usually have one day that I try to do something else. I'm gone, or whatever, and that's the day that I work on other things. Consequently, with a pay scale of \$12,000, that's certainly been there for a long time and I don't have any problem with whatever they set and using the voters...have the choice to raise the wages. I think it's been going on that way for quite awhile so I have no problem with it, whether it's in the constitution or how. We only go through this every 12 or 15 years, whatever the time frame is, so that isn't something that should bother anybody that much. I think Senator Stuhr's amendment was probably within reason, so I, up to now, I'm satisfied with the vote I made on her amendment. These amendments, as they go, I feel we