

and it does change on, if you have a copy of the bill, on page 8, line 11, it puts the original language back in, which is \$3.00 instead of \$10.00. This is one of the objections, I think, the county board members had. I think the Governor had some objections on that. One thing I would like to say while I am speaking about this bill. I have gotten some rather strong letters from sheriffs and I assure them that I am not trying to kill the part of that bill that they are so concerned about, outside of the salaries and I know they are concerned about that. But one of the things that I think we need to do is not pick out the sheriffs and set a certain minimum salary for them and not take care of the other county officials, and I talked about this the other day and the county officials organization has assured me that they are going to make a study before 1982 to look at all county court house salaries. Now, some of you are going to say, well that is like the fox watching the chicken house, and if that bothers you, I would be very glad to introduce a resolution that would require a study of county officials' salaries across the State of Nebraska by the Legislature. I think that would be lots better than cramming something down their throat at this time. Give them a chance to come in. Give the sheriffs a chance to come in. I know the sheriffs were in on this bill, and the objections that I get from them is that, well, where were those county officials, those other ones, when we were in here asking for some help? And I don't know. I can't answer it. But I think this bill the way it is written is probably the most discriminatory piece of legislation, I mentioned the other day that I have ever seen. Now I can't imagine how it got to the floor, especially with Senator Chambers' name on it, because there's certainly not any equalization in salaries in that bill. But rather than argue about it all day, I would like to test the water as John said. I think this is a bill that would give the sheriffs almost what they want as far as the training and taking care of the prisoners and the things that need to be done in the jails and the cooperation between the counties and the sheriffs, and that if we could take out and get almost the whole loaf this year and if I would promise to see that the salaries are looked at and worked on before 1982... you aren't going to get any help until then anyhow, I think we could save an awfully lot of time and it would be fair to everybody. I certainly don't think it is fair the way the bill is stated now. I don't know what else I can say about it. I am sure there are a lot of things that we could talk about, but in the essence of time I am going to quit now and hope to have a little time in closing and let some of my colleagues get a shot at it. Thank you.