

I think it is high time that we look on this issue and get it solved once and for all and I would certainly... whether this does anything in court or not or whether we lose more than we gain is really beside the point. I think we need to face up to the fact that no salary, no matter what it might be, is fair without expenses involved so, therefore, I am going to support Senator Chambers this morning in his effort to try to do something about it. Thank you.

**SPEAKER MARVEL:** Senator Barrett.

**SENATOR BARRETT:** Mr. Speaker and members, it may come as a bit of surprise to some but I also rise in wholehearted support of the motion to override the gubernatorial veto. I don't particularly like to override a Governor's veto. I find it personally a bit distasteful but in this particular instance I think it is absolutely necessary. As I indicated on this floor a couple of weeks ago, this has been a football for more than forty years. I think it is high time that this Legislature exercise its prerogative and do exactly what Senator Vard Johnson just said and go to court. Let's take care of this matter once and for all. We know the perseverance and the tenacity of Senator Chambers. He will be back again next year with a similar bill. We had an identical bill last year which was passed by this body, vetoed by this Governor and because we ran out of time there was not an opportunity to override the veto. We now have a perfect opportunity to override the veto, send the matter to the courts and let the courts dispose of it once and for all. I am in wholehearted support of the motion to override the Governor's veto on LB 206. Thank you.

**SPEAKER MARVEL:** Senator Labeledz.

**SENATOR LABEDZ:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I, too, rise in support of Senator Chambers' motion to override the Governor's veto. The Constitutional Revision and Recreation Committee did advance two bills, LB 138 and 531, calling for an increase in salary but I, myself have very little doubt in my mind that the people of Nebraska are willing to increase the salaries but we keep trying and I will also keep trying because I introduced LB 531. But many good people that I have talked to, in Omaha especially, have wanted to run for the Legislature and I personally have asked them to and the first reply that I get from them is, oh, my gosh, I can't afford it. You can see it happening in Omaha when we have a hundred and fifty-two people that have filed for the City Council and there the salary is \$12,000 a year and I am sure that they have expenses if they are going or travelling to any other meeting. I have been talking to a few of the senators and