

for once. Now, I'll tell you the people will accept something reasonable there. I have got an amendment up there to quit using the bill for salary and answer that fundamental question that we pass a bill on every year trying to get a court test on it and everything else when we could do it straight forward. You know it is kind of like just being honest about it and it says the legislature shall receive actual and necessary. . . . be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses. You see if you live in Neligh or Scottsbluff or Sidney, it really doesn't make a heck of a lot of sense to get \$400 or \$600 or \$800 a month if you are spending \$1,000 a month out of your own pocket on the expense portion. It is a completely false picture the public has. Somebody sitting in Lincoln, the \$800 may sound just wonderful or maybe Omaha, but outstate you spend a lot of money coming down here and renting an apartment. This would allow the legislature to get the authorization from the people rather than anything else, courts or anything else, just be up front and so I would suggest that we don't kill the bill long enough to use it for this purpose and put it on the primary ballot and I'll bet you this. I'll bet the people would approve this because there is no legitimate objection to it. There is no legitimate objection to saying that the legislators shall be reimbursed, reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses. That is what I would suggest the bill be used for rather than one more attempt of running the salary gambit. Maybe you can use that other bill that they have got in the manner they are talking with the League of Women Voters, but I think that you should also address the salary or whatever you call it, the expense thing first. I hope that you don't kill it so we can do this other thing.