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in the future. So allow this one day which won't hurt the bill at all, but it will give the opportunity for more information.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Maresh, do you want to be recognized?

SENATOR MARESH: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I am concerned about the Workmen's Comp judges taking a reduction in their salary and I am passing out some material which wasn't all initialed so it took time to get it out, but if you take time to read it I think you will notice the discrepancy that is going on between the Workmen's Comp judges and the rest of them, and so I hope we can hold this bill up a day so you could take time to study the material I handed out.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Higgins, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Yes, Mr. President, Senators, I can't speak about the Workmen's Compensation judges, but I did have occasion to talk to one county judge and I pointed out to him that his salary and all the other county judges' salaries were going to be reduced and I asked him if he was aware of it and he said, yes, but he still supported the bill because he said the salaries of the judges at the present time were such that a lot of judges were thinking about resigning and going back to private practice because they couldn't afford to stay on the bench. Many of them could make probably double the salary they are making now if they went back to private practice, and even though his salary was going to be reduced, he said he supported the bill for the sake of the other judges who would get a salary increase. Thank you, Senators and Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: No other lights. Senator Chronister, do you wish to close on your motion?

SENATOR CHRONISTER: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I oppose the kill motion and I propose that we get on with it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to suspend the rules, to take up the kill motion today on LB 111. All those in favor of suspension of the rules vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? The motion is to suspend the rules. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Chronister.