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dignified manner of seeking a salary increase, let's strip away all of that sham and fluff talk that means nothing and look at the real issue. Judges are public employees as are we. Our job is to serve the public, not to oppress them.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have one minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The only way we as a Legislature can exercise this oversight is by killing this bill and requiring the judges to come to us as all state agencies must go before the budget committee to justify whatever they are seeking.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I have a question, Mr. President, of Senator Chronister if he would be so kind as to yield.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chronister.

SENATOR CHRONISTER: Sure will.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Chronister, my question is this, if the bill passes and we tie the salaries together, and then when we raise the Supreme Court, they all go up automatically, is there something in the bill, Senator Chronister, or is there some way that if one segment of the court did not measure up to whoever is going to set the standards that they are supposed to measure up to, if one segment did not measure up, would they still get their increase in salary when the Supreme Court judges received their increase?

SENATOR CHRONISTER: Senator Haberman, yes, they would. But the....(interruption).

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you, Senator Chronister, you answered my question. Now, fellow Senators, I ask you, first of all, we are going to have to have some sort of a standard to measure to see if all of the judges measured up to somebody's standard, and nobody has really explained that one to the members of the Legislature before they ask us to vote on this radical change in setting salaries. And the second point that I would like to make is if a segment of the court did not measure up, they would automatically get the increase, unless this body denied the Supreme Court their increase plus all of the other courts their increase. Now you know that isn't going to