

President. I do have a series of amendments, however. Mr. President, the first is an amendment from DeCamp that I understand he wishes to withdraw. Senator DeCamp, you wish to withdraw that, is that right? Thank you. Mr. President, the next amendment is from Senator DeCamp...no it's the same one, excuse me. Mr. President, the next is from Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, I withdraw the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: So ordered.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers had an amendment. I understand he is willing to withdraw. Is that your understanding, Senator? All right. Mr. President, the last amendment...I have one from Senator Vickers on page 1156 of the Journal. That is withdrawn. Mr. President, I have nothing further on the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Johnson, do you wish to....

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I would move the bill be advanced, Mr. Speaker. This is a bill on legislative salaries. This is a...it is important I think for us to send...I think it is important for us to adopt the proposed constitutional amendment by the end of the session, mostly because there are groups in Nebraska, the League of Women Voters, in particular, that are prepared to do a long term voter education program on legislative salaries. And it is important for us to provide them a bill that they in turn can talk about and speak to. And this is such a bill. One of the things this bill does is it does ultimately remove from the Constitution any fixed dollar for our salaries. It will provide that we may set whatever salary we choose to set for ourselves so long as it doesn't exceed whatever one-third of the Governor's salary is. It is an appropriate measure. If it carries, it will be on the primary ballot in May of '82. If it carries, then we can come back in '83 and take appropriate steps with respect to our salaries. It could well be we could continue our salary at the existing level, but I don't think so. We undoubtedly would raise it but we would raise it within the confines set by the constitutional amendment. I would move the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance LB 138, the constitutional amendment. All those in favor of advancing the bill vote aye, opposed vote no. Say aye. Opposed.... a machine vote has been requested. Have you all voted? This is on advancement of the bill. Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 9 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to