

into the bag of politician's cliches. Let us do the thing that is difficult. Let us bite the fiscal bullet. Let us put the shoulder to the wheel and nose to the grindstone. And let us do those things that made America great. Frugality, let us not be spendthrifts. Let us not be wasteful. Let us not give people more than they need to survive at a decent level. And if two people are expected to survive at a decent level on \$280 a month, then certainly these cats who get into office, desiring to become fat, can survive at the salary level they are at now. So I am moving that we kill this LB 488. There are people in this body who are very concerned about the Governor's welfare although he is not too concerned about theirs because in degrading the entire Legislature as he has done, he degrades everybody who is in it. You can't go back to your individual constituencies and say everybody else is a dog and I am all right. The Legislature has been merged into the office of the Governor and perhaps some senators think that by giving the Governor an increase we will get some of that increased salary. Since we have given to him our authority and our powers maybe we ought to get some of the money he has for administering two positions, that of the Governor and that of the Legislature, but it does not work that way. What would be harmed if we killed this bill? Nothing. Nobody who is in office now can get the increase during their term of office. If the salary level stays where it is and the person running for the office is running because of the inducement provided by the salary, if the amount is insufficient they won't run. Certainly we do not want people running for these offices just for the money. We want them to run for the same reason that members run for the Legislature, dedicated, devoted, prestige as Senator Nichols says, right. So that when you leave your home they think you are out there in Washington carousing with Rita Jenrette and all the other "scarlet women" of Washington, D.C., feasting with the lobbyists, being flown all over the country. Let these other constitutional officers have the same things that we have. So I hope that you will consider this motion, give it a green vote, Senator Haberman, to match your coat and your tie and give this bill the faith that it deserves. Then to quote another cliché which is popular around here when our issue is waiting, we can get on to the important matters which would seem to say that this is not important. So if it is not I am giving you a chance to dispose of it. I doubt that anybody else will speak because not many have the temerity to step into these troubled waters this late in the day, both the individual day and the legislative day, meaning the session. But