

Now there is a \$10,000 difference there and the Secretary of State who is most noteworthy around here for bringing in those long complicated bills with all kind of zingers hidden away in all the verbage, he will get \$40,000 the same as the Lieutenant Governor, \$10,000 less than the Governor. Now the Attorney General is the one that raises my eyebrows. With the proposed increase for the Attorney General you have just a \$2,000 difference between the Governor and the Attorney General. He will get \$48,000 and maybe that is in recognition of his new duties that he shares with the present Governor. So maybe he should get \$48,000 when the others only get 40. The auditor will have \$40,000. The state treasurer will have \$40,000. Oh, I wish you could have heard what Senator Dworak said. It was a zinger but I do not talk like that. The public service commissioners will only get \$27,000. I had not noticed that they are kind of separated. They are double spaced down here. I did not even know they were a part of the bill. Certainly they should get more, they set the telephone rates. They set the cab rates. They do a lot of other things. They double dip. Some of them do that. So they are certainly worthy of more than a mere \$27,000. So, members of the Legislature, I hope that you will review the amendment that I am offering. It will raise the Governor's salary to \$65,000, a measly \$65,000, Senator Rumery, in these inflationary times and then give all of these other dedicated constitutional officers or officials, whichever they choose to be called, 95% of what the Governor makes and I think that is fair and I think it is proper. With some of the bills that came through here for attaching our salary to that of the Governor, it was felt that we are not worth a third of what a Governor is worth. Some people may have thought a half but certainly no more and here we are going to take these people and give them 95% because I, a senator, who will never get a salary increase, want to see somebody else do better than I am able to do serving the State of Nebraska. So I hope you will vote favorably on this amendment, give the Governor's office what that office is entitled to, give these other officers what they are entitled to but if you fail to do that from the fact that no other amendments have been adopted, you apparently are insistent on sending the Governor LB 488 in its present form and before you make such a mistake I want to remind you that he has sent word here that he will veto the bill and you know what that means. You know what that means. That is awesome when he shakes that veto pen at the legislature so I am expecting you to defeat my amendment. Then I am expecting you to do something other than what this bill says