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SENATOR CLARK: Senator Cullan. The question has been called for. Do I see five hands again? I do. All those in favor... Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now Senator Cullan walked in earlier on an issue and called the question and you said, no, there had been no debate. So if you want to make the ruling, I will challenge it but there has been no debate and I know everybody is hot but they are voting now on the movement of the bill and not amendments and there has been no discussion of the bill or that motion and I think it is premature to call the question.

SENATOR CLARK: All right, we have got seven lights on. I have got all night. Take your time. Senator Newell. Senator Labeledz, do you want to call the question, too?

SENATOR LABEDZ: No, I was just going to speak for just a short moment. I know everybody is tired but I was adding up while the debate was going on, the Governor's salary is now \$40,000. I do not have the figures in front of me because I destroyed them but there was also \$14,000 in food, \$9,000 for maintenance of a car and about \$30,000 if I recall in salaries for the housekeeper, the social secretary and maid service. That does not include, and that is almost a hundred thousand right there, that does not include the maintenance of the house, the free rent. In other words, there is over a hundred thousand dollars in benefits that we are not considering here. That is including the salary of course, the \$40,000, and I will vote against the bill because I think that is more than adequate. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Senator Labeledz just said what I have been trying to say all day in all seriousness. Do you want to give a \$10,000 increase to somebody that has already got almost a hundred thousand dollars in fringe benefits and those are all tax free? Maybe you ought to just not give him a salary and just raise his expenses \$40,000 and he will not have to pay any taxes. Thank you, senators.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Cope. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I am going to support the advancement of this bill as it is. Senator Haberman suggested that I not offer any more amendments which I will not do, Senator Haberman. I