kill motion which subsequently was overturned during last session. I have to look now... I have to reevaluate my position. Abroad in the land especially at the federal level is an attitude which says that the judiciary should be stripped of the power to consider even certain principles, certain constitutional rights that people have. If the people feel those rights are being violated at the federal level, there are members of Congress and some people in the populace who feel the court should not have the right to entertain a suit to vindicate those constitutional guarantees that citizens have. I don't know if this is just an attitude against certain groups like mine who would try to vindicate those rights or if it is a negative attitude toward the judiciary and the powers that the judiciary has. I cannot now take a position on a salary bill that might be tied up with that attitude of stripping the judiciary of its legally and lawfully constituted powers. Although I believe I will be as critical of judges and sometimes the judiciary as a whole as anybody in this country, I also am in the position of having to recognize that certain rights of mine will only stand a small chance of being vindicated if there exists an independent judiciary. Notice I said independent. see a great amount of incompetency in the judicial system in this state. I see what I consider to be discrimination in the sentencing of black people by the judges in Douglas County. I know that there are tipsy judges meaning drinking judges who have consumed alcohol during the time they are supposed to be making sober decisions. I know that exists in Douglas County also. I have an article which tells me why the State Supreme Court has so much to do. On one day it considered four decisions from Douglas County and upheld only one of them, which means that three of those situations out of four were involving incompetency, that is what I would call it, on the part of judges who did not properly rule. So the lower courts are creating a lot of work for the Supreme Court. I am mentioning all of the negatives I can think of to let you know that those propositions are in my mind and I am conscious of them at the time I agree to go along with Senator Cullan's amendment. Remember, I voted against 111. I can't say what I might have to do on Select File, but as of now I am going to support his amendment and eventually what I would probably try to do is break the linkage between the Supreme Court salaries and the salaries of other courts in the state. To show what my philosophy of compensation of judges is, I wouldn't be opposed to giving a flat rate of salary to all of them. I would say give every Supreme Court judge a hundred thousand dollars a year and that is not overpayment. I could say give the district judges