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raise is warranted. The bill was killed in committee when I was absent. Subsequently it was reconsidered and Senator Beyer, I know, agreed to vote for this on the floor if we didn't get into an auction. He mentioned to me just a moment ago, he said, Karen, I told you I would vote for it if we didn't get into an auction. We are in an auction and I don't want that to continue. So I would ask Senator Beyer, let's end the auction, this is a reasonable, fair compromise. I would urge my colleagues' support of Senator Haberman and my amendment to LB 603. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Dworak. The Haberman-Kilgarin amendment.

SENATOR DWORAK: Senator Haberman, what is the dollar impact of this for the next two years?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, Senator Dworak, I kind of anticipated that question. Can you tell me what increase the state employees are going to get?

SENATOR DWORAK: Absolutely not.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Then I can't answer your question.

SENATOR DWORAK: So you are asking us to vote for an amount of money here that we have no idea how much we are voting for. We have no dollar figure. We have no percentage figure. We are really just kind of taking a shot in the dark. Is that...do I understand this correctly? I mean I just kind of want to know what I am voting on.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Okay, well, I will explain it to you, Senator Dworak. It is just like the other day when we voted on 816. We didn't have any idea how many millions of dollars it was going to cost, but this body voted on it. So it's the same thing....(interruption).

SENATOR DWORAK: How did you vote, Senator Haberman?

SENATOR HABERMAN: It goes from....

SENATOR CLARK: Let's stick with the issue, one at a time, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Oh, okay, I won't bring that up again.

SENATOR DWORAK: It's my time.

SENATOR CLARK: It is your time.