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1984, so it is a total of 7½% and the cost, for example, for this coming six months would be \$9,600. I move the adoption of this amendment. The Governor does not want the bill the way it is now and we are asking you to reduce the amount to this figure.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, I have a question of Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes.

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Goodrich, what do we do in '85 and '86?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Nothing. They go through those years without any raise.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, so you are going to stop with a 2½ and a 5% raise which will mean a total of 7½%. Is that right?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Over four years, yes.

SENATOR HEFNER: Over four years. Okay, I support this amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President, I would like to ask Senator Goodrich a question.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Very well.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Senator Goodrich, why doesn't the Governor want the bill in its present form?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Because it is way too much money, way too big of a raise. In the present form, he would go from \$40,000 up to \$50,000 and in my amendment, if you adopt it, it is \$40,000 up to \$44,100, during the 1983 year. And that is where he would stay for the rest of the four year period.

SENATOR HIGGINS: So the Governor thinks the original bill was way too much of a raise for he and other constitutional officers, but now the raise is not too much at 5% for him and the constitutional officers? And 7½% over the next four years?

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