SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Vickers, I am not very good at math but I am concerned about the fiscal impact of this momentuous resolution and I am curious, if you put pen to pencil and analyzed just how much I would have to give back, I think that would affect mine and maybe some other legislators here decision on this great and momentuous issue. I don't know what I can afford but I would like to know more specifically how much I am being asked to contribute.

SENATOR VICKERS: $144.00.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, that is rather a weighty amount of money that we should be contributing and I just want to say that while it is hard to oppose this important resolution I feel that with my current salary and my current expenses and since we are not being reimbursed for this session that it might be just a little more than I can afford and so I would urge my colleagues to oppose Senator Vickers' proposal. I can appreciate very much his desire to do that. It is inconsistent that Senator Vickers spoke against...just the other day offered language in the proposal, the proposed LB 8, offered language to specifically insure that there would be across the board sorts of proposals if in fact there was a reduction in wages, and even though he argued and spoke against those kinds of reductions saying that we ought to limit or do away with specific positions in order to save the money instead of giving across the board cuts, his proposal, in fact, is contrary to the motion he presented before us before. I think that Senator Vickers should be suggesting one of two things or maybe both things, one, we do away with a specific position like the 38th Legislative District seat, and I think that would be appropriate, or I would suggest that Senator Vickers find that because he is merely suggesting that we contribute that there would be sort of an equitable fashion since some of us would give back the money and others would not. I see tremendous contradictions between what Senator Vickers offered before and what he is suggesting now, and with that in mind, I would urge my colleagues to oppose this. Senator Vickers ought to be more consistent, and if he wants to give back that $4800, I think that would help do what we want to do in this regard. I think we ought to eliminate positions as opposed to ask for specific amounts. Senator Vickers, would you agree with that general recommendation?

SENATOR VICKERS: Well, since I am losing my disposition, that is probably a pretty good idea you have got there, Senator Newell, but I don't think I am being inconsistent.