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Boards in this region of the country and I'm sure in other parts of the country the salaries are quite a bit higher than the ones that I've read to you. I believe that this comports with what the Governor described as reasonable. It is an attempt to phase in an increase and the purpose again is not to just give them that across-the-board increase that employees receive, but to actually raise them to a new level of salary and then the across-the-board increases are not...I'm not that troubled by them receiving only that. And this is not to say that if this succeeds, next year I will not try again to raise them to the level that I think is commensurate with the duties that they perform. But I'm telling you that I come back this year because of an understanding that I thought existed between me and the Governor's Office, but whether that understanding exists or not on the part of both us, what I'm requesting is justified. I think it's a meritorious amendment. There is one chairman, four full-time members, so I hope you will adopt this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. May I introduce some guests in the north balcony. Senator Nelson has 37 fourth graders from Jefferson Elementary School in Grand Island with two instructors. Will you students and teachers please rise and be welcomed by your Legislature. Thank you for visiting us today. Senator Chambers, would you like to close on your motion? There are no other speakers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of the Chambers amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I will ask for a call of the house and I'll take call ins.

PRESIDENT: Okay, the question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 19 ayes, 1 nay to go under call, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The house is under call. Will you please record your presence. Those not in the Chamber, please return so that we may move on. Ashford, Senator Ashford, Senator Moore, Senator Warner, Senator Wehrbein, Senator Robak, Senator Pirsch,