

would you care to close?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Yes, Mr. President. This is a one-time adjustment and it's going to take many, many years if it would dry up any of the \$8 million surplus that we now have. The age of these people are going to enter into these figures because they're not going to maybe draw this retirement for that long. So I would say to you that beings that this is a one-time adjustment it brings the poverty level of nine retirees, just nine, who are below the poverty level, it brings them up, and I would ask that under those conditions we do have the money. It's 3 percent a year for seven years. Eighty-seven people are going to qualify. We have the \$8 million in the kitty. It's going to draw interest. We're possibly going to put more money into it so I would ask that you adopt the committee amendment, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Shall the committee amendments be adopted to LB 137? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The committee amendments are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, I did have an amendment pending. I do have an amendment pending from Senators Chizek and a number of the members. (The Chizek, et al, amendment appears on page 2109 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hall, would you handle it, please.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, the amendment that is filed on LB 137 is an amendment that I co-sponsored along with a number of individuals with regard to LB 137. What the amendment is is basically LB 252 that was introduced also by Senator Chizek and it deals with the substantive issue that...the State Patrol retirement and the 25-year requirement. It is a substantive issue that I think needs to be addressed, deserves to be addressed in the form of an amendment to this bill but Senator Chizek is gone today, the other members that are gone, so with that I would just let the body know that the amendment will return on Select File and I would ask the Clerk that he would refile that once LB 137 is