

you all have such spotless records and you never go before them. I was before a guy called "Default Williams". They called him that because he got appointed by the chief judge when the Governor was not satisfied with any of the names presented. So in the profession, the legal profession that is, among judges and lawyers he is known as "Default Williams".

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, "Default Williams" is the one who would not allow me to have a closing argument, and, in addition to that, I don't have enough time to give the whole story now and I don't want to have to give the rest of the story after giving the front part and I don't want to have to try to take it up in the middle or repeat what I have already said. But this is a story that I must tell, I insist on telling. Senator Kristensen, the judges may be frustrated by some of the legislation that comes over there but it is not anything that the Legislature does directly to harm the interests of any specific judge, as judges will do specific directed things to harm the interests of individuals who come before them.

PRESIDENT: Time. Senator Lindsay, please, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, Senator Chambers, you taught me well. I've been listening to you and I listened to you a few weeks ago. You say that nobody suggested 20 percent increase at any time but I think you offered an amendment that would have given a 20.9 percent increase to the Attorney General and a 29.3 percent increase to the Governor. The amendment did fail. I supported that because I think we do have to have quality people. I support this because, again, I think we do have to have quality people. The incidents that Senator Chambers mentioned are tragic. They shouldn't happen, but I fear they will continue to happen and they will only get worse if all we have are those attorneys who maybe can't make it in the private sector going into the judiciary because we simply will not pay our judges. We have fallen further and further down and we will continue to fall further and we will continue to...we will lessen the quality of our judges. If we...I think we have to increase it. We have to keep pace. We have to make sure that our judges are being paid better than they would be in the private sector, or at least close to what they would be. We can't ask for the extreme sacrifices. I think Senator Hefner