

open his hand and free himself from that bottle where his greed would have kept him trapped forever.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hefner, please, followed by Senator Schmit.

SENATOR HEFNER: Call the question.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do, and the question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 4 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

PRESIDENT: Debate has ceased. Now, Senator Baack, would you like to close?

SENATOR BAACK: Yes. I will give a couple minutes to Senator Hefner first.

PRESIDENT: Okay, Senator Hefner, please.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I want to make something perfectly clear here. There was several of my colleagues wanted to know just exactly what this would do. This amendment would say we're going to give them...give the judges a 10 percent increase next year, January 1st next year, 1991, which would move it up to a little over...the Supreme Court judges a little over 77,000, then the next year it would be 7 percent which would be nearly \$5,000, and the following year, January...or in 1992 another \$5,000. And the district judges and the county judges would get this same increase. Now I know that Senator Schmit has worked long and hard on judges' salary and I commend him for it, but I just feel that the 20 percent is too much, it's too much of an increase in one year. Ten percent is more realistic. And, with that, Senator Baack, do you want to use the rest of the time?

PRESIDENT: You have approximately three minutes.

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, Mr. President and colleagues, I will just close very briefly. I think that we have had a good discussion on this issue over the last few days and we have bantered the numbers about and now we're at the point where we're going to...the initial bump on the salary is going to be 10 percent