

because I'm slowing up the works for everybody else in that system. We can vote against this bill and go home and say, boy, you know, I showed those judges today. My goodness, that judge that I don't like or that judge I have heard about plays golf all the time or that judge that leaves at noon, I'm going to show them. I'm going to vote against their pay raise. And you will walk out of here. Has that done anything for the system? Not at all. I think we've got an obligation and that obligation is to the entire state to keep the judiciary at a level that at least provides an incentive for them to continue to work and be dedicated and there are a ton of dedicated judges out there. I can get a horror story from any...any occupation out here, from farmer to plumber to lawyer to lumberman. I can all find a bad example. But you're talking about an institution, you're talking about a group of people. I guess when I came down to deciding whether to talk on this bill and override it because it's a difficult thing to do sometimes, I looked at one key facet of this state. We pay a football coach in excess of a \$100,000 a year. We pay a basketball coach who wins the same number of games \$90,000 a year. But yet you're not going to pay the Chief Justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court anywhere near that? That's outrageous. And I know it's a tough vote and I know we've got a lot of other priorities to do. With that, I think that one of the priorities is to suspend the \$388,000 this year, raise those judicial salaries and do what probably is the best thing we could do for the system of justice at this time. And we're going to have a lot of other issues to talk about in the years to come. They aren't going to go away. With that, I would yield whatever time I have remaining to Senator Lindsay.

PRESIDENT: You have two minutes, Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President and members, Senator Chambers and Senator Haberman have taken some time talking about the quality of judges and I think the only response we're going to have regarding the quality of judges is to again quote Senator Chambers and, yes, flatter his sincerest form of whatever he said one day. Armand Hammer once said, if you pay peanuts, you get monkeys. Let's not get monkeys, let's get good judges. Let's vote for the override.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is, shall the veto on LB 42 be overridden? All in favor of the override vote aye, opposed nay. Senator Kristensen.