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question of Senator Moore and I guess that we senators have not had the opportunity yet to see the budget and see where some of the funding is going to come from or some of the increases, are a little disadvantage. I did vote for LB 91 to give it in line with all of the rest of the budget items. But, again, I guess I have a real problem with what is being cut or where the money is going to come from. I just had a letter now from my Civil Defense at home and they were a little unhappy with the murals in the Capitol, I guess, 30,000 means a lot to some people one way or the other. But I will wait and see. I do want to say though that the salaries, I think, are much better than what many people realize. In Grand Island, those salaries are \$31,544 average and then when the benefits are taken into consideration that brings that figure up to about \$38,000, a tax advantage, much better. And the same way with Omaha and the same way with Lincoln, much better than what I think a lot of us are...believe, and the living conditions are different. I always take that in consideration too, but for the time being I will wait for more answers. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Nelson. Next on the Lynch amendment to LB 91A is Senator Robinson. Senator Robinson waives off. Senator Lynch, did you wish...

SENATOR LYNCH: I will call the question, if there is no other lights. Call the question if there's no other lights.

SPEAKER BAACK: There are a number of other lights.

SENATOR LYNCH: I will wait.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Chambers, on the Lynch amendment to LB 91A.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Just briefly, Mr. Chairman, and I'm going to do like Senator Conway did and take the opportunity to say something other than on the bill itself. I have been following the discussion from my office downstairs and I heard a comment by Senator Pirsch that caught my attention more than anything else. I didn't know she had been working with the Omaha school system for 90 years. I didn't even know she was that old, so she had to start at least when she was 21 because you have to finish college. So at 111 years old...at a 111 years, Senator Pirsch, I hope I look as good as you look when I get to be 111. And if I live that long, I might dye my hair also.