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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: But to take this discussion further, the appropriate place to do that is in the A bill. In other words, don't put...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...salaries in substantive law, and maybe that's not good policy anyway. So what I'd suggest doing is striking out the references, tying it to the court and then before the A bill can pass I've got to get an amendment that this body is going to agree to, on an A bill it just wouldn't be a walk-through, it would have to be a substantive discussion about what salary grades you're going to put those people in the A bill at. Would that be acceptable to you?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, yes it would.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Senator Vrtiska, can I...is that something you're comfortable doing?

SENATOR VRTISKA: Senator Kristensen, I don't really have any problem as long as the salary range is somewhat commensu...somewhere in the area that I've been talking about without getting...and I think that we pretty much agree that we can come up with a grade that these people will be started at that will...

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: But that would be a policy choice that we'd make in the A bill.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Right, that's right.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Would you be comfortable about taking the reference to the Supreme Court out of this salary?

SENATOR VRTISKA: Yes.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: And not putting that...but determining in the A bill when that comes along what that salary grade ought to be?

SENATOR VRTISKA: I'm agreeable.