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saying that we all knew what our salary was going to be, but that most of us ran because we really have an interest in our state and want to work towards the betterment of our communities and our state. But a couple other things that I'd like to point out is that this is a unicameral legislature, and we are the only representatives in our district. This is much different than a two-house legislature, where you share those responsibilities in a district with one or two other people, as they do in other states. Some of our districts are not very active. I have a district that the constituent is very involved, and I know that many of you do. And it does take a considerable amount of time which we are willing to commit. Again, I think that many issues that do appear as constitutional amendments do require some education. There is perception among the people across the state that we receive benefits, that we are receiving health insurance, that we are receiving retirement. So I think that there certainly could be an educational process that is involved, not just putting the issues on the ballot, but also doing some work in really educating our constituents across the state in what is involved. I do believe that we need to look long term and that we could now have the opportunity to set the foundation for the future in this area. So I particularly support the commission concept, but also would be supporting the other amendment, LR 5CA. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Redfield on LR 4CA.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the body. We had a bill before the floor dealing with compensation to the Supreme Court. And of course, based upon that bill, we were looking at the compensation for the entire court system in the state of Nebraska. I came into the floor that day firmly prepared to support that bill. I think that everyone is entitled to a raise to keep them level with the cost of living increases that we face in any state in the United States. But in the discussion that day, Senator Chambers stood up in support of the bill and brought up a very important issue, and that is the fact that many times people measure the worth of someone based upon the compensation they receive. And he spoke about the Governor's raises, the constitutional office raises that he