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That was a proposal that I certainly did support and it was a very sizeable increase from where we are now. I don't believe that the compensation we have currently is accurate or sufficient for the responsibilities of the job or the respect that we should hold that office in. At the same time, I think we may have gone too far and we will have another opportunity next year to address it. I will not be voting for the override. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Redfield. Further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Schimek, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, members. I believe that we said about as much as we need to say on this. I would like to just caution you that if we have to come back next year and do this all over again, then that gets mixed up with the whole salary issue that's going to be on the ballot. I would just as soon have us take care of it this year as not. And so I would encourage you to vote to make the bill become law. And I would like to give just a little bit of my time to Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Senator Schimek and Mr. President and members. I believe we all knew that the Governor was going to override this bill because he had stated so earlier, and I concur with Senator Schimek that I do feel that it is something we need to do this year. I also know that when we were discussing the issue that what we have suggested here is more in line with what the rest of the states are paying, and we have to also realize that this will not take effect until two more years. So I agree with what has been stated and urge you and hope that you will override the Governor's veto. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You heard the closing on the motion to override. The question before the body is, shall LB 683 pass notwithstanding the objections of the Governor? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Remind the body it takes 30 votes. Have you all voted