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CLERK: Mr. President, the Kelly amendment is as follows: to amend LB 176 to strike "and \$2.90 as of July 1, 1978".

SENATOR FOWLER: I'd be willing to accept Senator Kelly's amendment.

CLERK: I guess what he's doing is amending the Fowler amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: I'd like to ask the Clerk a question. I understood that when Senator Fowler's amendment was offered it struck all the language and put in place strictly the language in the amendment. I understand Senator Kelly's motion amends an amendment that's already been stricken. If I'm wrong would the Clerk please correct me.

CLERK: I didn't construe Senator Fowler's amendment as such. It simply says "add a new section 2 on page 3".

SENATOR MARVEL: I don't think Senator Fowler said that. I don't think that was the intent of his motion, therefore, I guess I would defer to him. I don't want to put words in his mouth. I understood him to say when the amendment was made that it struck all the language and that the only thing this bill would contain was the motion that I'm not for, but the majority of the Legislature approved which will cost us about \$13½ million.

SENATOR FOWLER: To clarify, I had the Pages hand out, and I don't know, Senator Marvel, if you got a copy of the language of what would be in the bill. I guess there was some confusion as to what I said. I'm sorry. I was discussing the amendment that was handed out. That was language that was substituted. It does have a 1976 salary increase and a '77 salary increase, and a '78. Senator Kelly is moving to strike the 1978 figure, and that's fine with me.

PRESIDENT: Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. President, Senator Fowler and Senator Marvel I think probably better take a look at the bill because Section 1,.... Of course, what you have reference to in Section 1 is Section 2. You say add a new section 2, well you've already got a new subsection 2 under Section 1 that does, principally, what you're trying to correct. I'm like Senator Marvel, I'm a little confused now as to exactly whether you wanted to strike that subsection 2 or not. What was passed out here to me just says "add a new subsection". Would you make an explanation.

SENATOR FOWLER: By saying "add a new section" I meant to replace the existing section in the bill. If that's.... I don't know, Vince, if that's clear or not. But when I said "add a new section" I meant substitute this language for the section that's in the bill for Section 2.