

because they won't be eligible for the things that they could also receive now in addition to the income, which may total more in the end than what they could get with this.

SENATOR HARRIS: I don't think that is the case in this particular instance, as I said, because of the low amount of monies that they are getting in from the systems, social security (inaudible).

SENATOR SMITH: So you think that by giving what we are asking for, for them today, it will still keep them below that level, so they could still be eligible for other kinds of assistance?

SENATOR HARRIS: I don't want to put it quite that way, that we're going to try to keep them below that level, but...

SENATOR SMITH: (Interrupting) Well, I'm not trying...I'm just trying to...

SENATOR HARRIS: Yes, I don't think it will raise them up to where they are going to lose any other benefits.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Goll, do you wish the floor?

SENATOR GOLL: Mr. President and colleagues, I wish to join those in opposition to LB 290. I, too, as Senator Lundy and Senator Haberman, share the sentimentality applied to this piece of legislation. But I want to call your attention to just two things. We are talking about \$400,000, we are talking about a half million next year. Pretty soon this body is going to have to recognize that there are some things that we can't afford. If this falls in this category I would urge that this body take a close look at what we are doing. We are spending ourselves out. We've got to recognize that. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to interrupt debate to announce that Senators Abboud, Hannibal, Pirsch and possibly some other metropolitan area senators have 12 visiting Kiwanians in the Chamber this morning in the north balcony as their guests. Along with them is Mr. Ed Jaksha. Senator Hefner has 16 seniors from Coleridge High School accompanied by sponsor. They are in the north balcony. On behalf of