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defender. The Legislature and the Appropriations Committee would be setting the salaries for these people, rather than the County Board. And I think that they were fear - very frankly

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I think they were fearful that salary level would be lower than it want it to be.

PRESIDENT: Senator Richendifer do you care to respond to Senator Snyder's question your vote in the committee.

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: I'm not sure what the question was. Why I opposed it?

PRESIDENT: Yes.

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: I opposed it because we have now a district court system which is costing over two million dollars. We're forming another organization here for employment of \$25,000 a year, and I would assume that this could run into two or three million dollars a year also, and where is it going to stop. I have mixed emotions about the bill, and in my particular county I think we could use a public defender many times. But in the other counties that I represent it's doubtful. But I..we're getting to the point here on our judiciary system that we're financing it in millions of dollars. We're not talking about nickels anymore.

PRESIDENT: The chair recognizes Senator Whitney and then Senator Kelly. We're debating the committee amendments LB502

SENATOR WHITNEY: Would Senator Luedtke yield to a question please.

PRESIDENT: Senator Luedtke yield.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Would this new system cost more than \$5,000?

SENATOR LUEDTKE: More than \$5,000, I would certainly hope so.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, in our rules in Section 6. In parenthesis A, page 24. It says no bill which has a fiscal impact of more than \$5,000 shall be heard by committee, or considered on General File unless the fiscal note is attached and there's no fiscal note in my book, Mr. President, therefore, I feel that you should rule that this should be passed over until we have a fiscal note.

PRESIDENT: The chair recognizes, and there was some debate earlier, Senator Whitney. I do recognize the rule. At that particular time you may remember, Senator Luedtke asked to pass it over because the fiscal note was not attached to it. And at that time the motion was to unanimously pass over the bill. There was an objection to that. Therefore, that nullified that particular motion, and so we came back to the debate of the bill. Now then. If you would care to object at this time. Then you should make some motion, which would have us dispose of the bill. But other than that the bill is before us. The amendments are before us at this time for debate. And whatever your pleasure might be you are correct in your interpretation of the rule there.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, if I'm correct in my interpretation of the rule, then you should have not have accepted the objection.