come 1983 and on such date each year thereafter the judges salary would be increased the same amount as a state employee. Whatever increases the state employees get we will be giving our judges the same increase. Is that unfair? Is that unfair? Senator Reutzel, I asked him that very question. Senator, is that unfair? Well, Senator, he said, you are talking about people making forty, fifty, sixty thousand dollars a year. Well, ladies and gentlemen, we are talking about people who have given almost their entire life in preparation for that particular judgeship. I don't think it is unfair. I think we dispose of Section 6 of the bill. I think we are going to be creating additional burdens on the Legislature, not just time, but expense as well. That is all we are saying in Section 6 of the bill. Let's give our judges the same increase as we are giving the state employees. Senator Reutzel is talking about a commission. What commission? There is no commission. The only commission that we have is right here in the Legislature, right now. I think it is premature. I think it is being overly optimistic that that particular commission will be formed as a result of legislation pending before this Legislature. So, I was somewhat ambivalent about this particular amendment to the bill and I have changed my attitude. I certainly have to oppose that particular...although it seems as though that particular amendment that Senator Reutzel has brought before the body is going to carry obviously because of other people who have supported the bill have now supported Senator Reutzel's amendment. I want you to again realize that all we are saying in that particular section that he is trying to strike out, if you vote for it you are saying no, we are not going to give our judges the increase that we are giving state employees come 1983 and subsequent years thereafter. I think that is wrong. I think it is going to create again, additional unnecessary time and expense on the part of the state and certainly I would hope that you would not adopt the Reutzel amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you wish to speak to the Reutzel amendment?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, the concept as stated in Section 6 which automatically increases the executives of the court, the judges salary with the same percentage of increase provided the state employees is a poor precedent to follow. Judges I have talked to are not concerned with the automatic increase. They are concerned with fair, equitable salaries right