

last week as we all remember with LB 398 we had a lot of problems and that has been causing a lot of controversy. Year in and year out we have that same fight. We can eliminate the need for a number of bills to be printed. We can eliminate a lot of time being wasted here on that every year. I have talked with the Chief Justice, he has no problem with this type of commission. I have talked with the Governor, he has no problem with it. As far as our own salaries I think that we have to remember a couple of things. One, half of this body is continually up for re-election. So, there is going to be a constraint on whatever we approve. Secondly, if you will look at surrounding states which have the same form they are under the same constraints with re-election and they haven't gone hog wild on this thing. If you will look at the three surrounding states which have gone to this, Colorado their salaries are \$13,500 a year, Iowa \$10,600 and South Dakota which is in session I believe 20 days and 30 days, thirty-four on an annual basis. So I think that we have a number of built in restraints. I think to do anything less than to take all three branches would be less than honest with the people. Those are just a couple of comments to Senator Nichol.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: A question of Senator Reutzel if I may. Senator, you didn't go quite far enough. I realize you talked to the supreme court justice and you talked to the governor but you forgot to talk to Murphy. I would suggest if I may, and I have an amendment there that I would ask the Clerk to read an amendment to your amendment. Pat, would you be good enough to read the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Who are you directing your question to?

SENATOR MURPHY: I was addressing a question to the Clerk if he would read the amendment that I have offered which strikes the word "not" in the committee amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We have to take up Senator Newell's amendment first because he was here first. You want to deal with your amendment.....

SENATOR MURPHY: Senator Newell?

SPEAKER MARVEL:now?

SENATOR MURPHY: I don't under.....