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SENATOR FOWLER: Well, I can't answer that because there is...it is not in the Governor's budget and it is not in the Appropriation Committee budget so whether or not it is 7% depends on what the Appropriation Committee's final recommendation is, but this bill would be in addition to whatever the Appropriations Committee recommends.

SENATOR KEYES: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: A question of Senator Fowler.

PRESIDENT: Senator Fowler, will you respond?

SENATOR FOWLER: Yes.

SENATOR MURPHY: Senator Fowler, is this the third or fourth teacher's pension bill that has come before us so far this year? I know there is at least three. I was wondering, is there a fourth teacher's pension that we will get into, too?

SENATOR FOWLER: Senator Murphy, this is not a pension. This is what is called the reserve teacher's salary. It is a system that was set up a long long time ago for people that did not fall under the pension system. So it is totally different.

SENATOR MURPHY: It is not a pension? It is a salary. We just send it to them?

SENATOR FOWLER: Right, right.

SENATOR MURPHY: Thank you. What was that city, New York?

PRESIDENT: Senator Fowler, you may close.

SENATOR FOWLER: Okay, the bill funds the LB 819 which has already advanced, I think towards Final Reading, at least to Select File. The bill is the reserve teacher's salaries which are people who are between age seventy and ninety that served as school teachers. Reserve teacher's system was set up many many years ago, 1963. There has not been an adjustment for four or five years in that salary. I believe the bill advanced unanimously out of the Education Committee. It was not heard by the Retirement Committee. It was introduced by the Retirement Committee but was heard by the Education Committee and this bill provides the funding for the increase. I would move it be advanced.

PRESIDENT: The question before the House then is the advance