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say aye, all those opposed no. The amendments are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Haberman has a motion printed on page 1062. He wants to withdraw that one. In lieu thereof he wants to amend 872 to read "\$22,000".

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and fellow senators, if you will look at the fiscal note all of the people on there with the exception of the Public Service Commission is getting a reasonable raise. They are taking the Public Service Commission from \$20,000 to \$27,500. That is about a 35% increase. All of the rest of the salaries on the sheet do not go into effect until 1983, their salary goes into effect in 1981. Now you will hear the story that, well it is for four years. My amendment, fellow senators, gives them an increase of 10%, from \$20,000 to \$22,000. I think that this is a fair increase, in fact, I started out to making it only an 8% increase. But a 10% increase from \$20,000 to \$22,000 seems fair to me. Four years from now we can come back and change it and I would ask that you support giving them the increase from \$20,000 to \$22,000, instead of \$27,500. Thank you Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Do you have an amendment on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Newell moves to amend the Haberman amendment to strike \$22,000 and insert \$24,000.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Haberman, this is an amendment to add \$2,000. When was the last time the Public Service Commission had a raise? How long? And, how long before they can have another raise? Two more years? Senator George has an amendment to go to \$25,000 and I'm trying to find some other place to go, some sort of happy medium. Can you accept \$24,000?

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Newell, are you done?

SENATOR NEWELL: I'll withdraw the motion.

SENATOR CLARK: The motion is withdrawn. All right the one we have before us is Senator Haberman's motion of \$22,000. Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: Thank you Mr. President. I do basically

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