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LB 662, 729

SENATOR RUMERY: Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, I think this has been an issue that has been before us for a number of years and the county officials have worked hard at it. The sheriffs have worked with it. The sheriffs are not all exactly happy with the situation that they have, but we think they're closer together than they have ever been. I have often or always agreed with Senator Chambers, I didn't think the jailer fee should be considered in their salary, which it has been, in many cases this was taken out of the salary. I think this is a good idea and I hope it is a step forward in settling a problem that we have had before us for probably a good many years but especially in the last few years because many sheriffs considered that jailer fee part of their salary, and this would eliminate that part of it. If the county board wants to negotiate with the sheriff for taking care of the jail, why that is fine, that is the way it is going to be, but it is not considered part of their salary anymore. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Is there any further discussion on the bill? Senator Chambers, do you wish to close? The question before the House is the advancement of 662? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The Chair declares the bill advanced. We will go to LB 729.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 729 offered by Senator Chronister. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 8th of this year, referred to the Government Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Chronister.

SENATOR CHRONISTER: Yes, sir. Mr. Chairman and members, currently the statutes provide that a sheriff's deputy serve a maximum of a six months' probationary period. Practice has shown that this is not a realistic time period. LB 729 merely extends the existing probationary period for deputy sheriffs from the existing six months