

hate to take issue with such an astute attorney as Senator Johnson, but I was told that the courts now are very strict on the amount of time the people have to file cases. When they get on the docket that they push and they have some very strict rules that they didn't used to have to force trials to move faster. The stalling tactics really have been changed, that they can't be used as much as they have in the past. Would you disagree with that, Senator Johnson?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Johnson, would you respond please?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Senator Haberman, I have several cases up for trial right now. I am stalling to beat the band because I am down at the Legislature and my stall tactics are working.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well then thank you for those comments because that will help me fight the judges salary increase. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Mr. President, a question of Senator Johnson...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vard Johnson, will you respond?

SENATOR BARRETT: ...if he's through laughing.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Yes, Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Senator Johnson, you are recommending that the Conway amendment be adopted.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Yes.

SENATOR BARRETT: Which says, in essence, that if prejudgment interest is allowed it begins 120 days after the summons is served. Correct?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Yes.

SENATOR BARRETT: You further then have recommended that after passage of the committee amendments then we adopt, or excuse me, the amendment to the amendment, then the committee amendment which, as I understand it...