

increased at all? What happened to the cooperation there? Apparently there wasn't so much cooperation that the overworked judges didn't have to come in for new judges to help them. I think that the arguments are so lacking in merit that I am really surprised that anyone stands up and makes them. I hope that whatever you do with the bill that you won't kill it. I am going to present to you an amendment much like what I asked you to adopt on General File and if you don't like that one, I have another alternative for you. But failure to deal with the problem is not the answer, is truly not the answer. I think it is a good system. The commission is a fair system. It takes in lawyers from across the state from each congressional district. It has people on it who are appointed by the Governor. It has a district court judge. It has a county court judge. It has a couple members from the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court under our Constitution, under our Constitution the Supreme Court has the authority for administering and has the duty to administer the entire system, the entire judicial system. And yet what have we done? What have we done? We have told them to administer the entire judicial system and we have effectively taken away all their power to do that.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: They have no...they have absolutely no means with regard to the district court judges, of forcing any district court judge to do anything other than exactly what he pleases to do. So I think that what we are suggesting to you is not that it go back to the Supreme Court. We already compromised on that, although you can make strong arguments that they should have the authority, but that a commission be set up so that at least there is some mechanism for dealing with judicial work loads. I hope you will not vote to indefinitely postpone the bill.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Remmers and then Senator Marsh.

SENATOR REMMERS: Mr. President, Senators, I rise to support Senator Lamb's kill motion for most of the same reasons that he has given. I think it is our responsibility and I don't think we should be giving it away. I don't think our constituents would expect us to give away our responsibility. Maybe we have not always acted as promptly