

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The motion is to refer the matter back to the committee. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I would assume this is not a priority bill. It is...may well not be a unanimous consent bill. I, frankly, have lost almost all interest in it and...but if you want to kill the bill, I'd recommend sending it back to the committee because I don't know how it would get back up. So, my personal position on this whole issue, knowing it is a politically sensitive one and I appreciate that, I was willing to put my name on a bill originally and I am willing to be the introducer of a reasonable compensation that is somewhat commensurate with the responsibilities of these people that will be elected. If it gets so it just is nothing, then those of you who put an amendment together, I would hope you would also put your name on the bill because I'll drop off. I do not care to...I'm very willing to front for a reasonable thing, but if it gets to be so minor adjustment that it's meaningless, then I would hope someone would be willing to put their name on the bill too. I may still vote for it, but I don't care to front for something that doesn't mean anything. But I'd urge you not to return it to committee unless you want to kill the bill and that's okay, too.

PRESIDENT: Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Well, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Warner makes a compelling case for not returning the bill to committee because he believes that that will mean sudden death, but this bill has been discussed and rediscussed on several occasions and good people have met and ostensibly worked things out and haven't been able to get votes though, apparently. So my suggestion is that the bill go back to committee and there it sits and I'm going to support Senator DeCamp's motion to return the bill to committee.

PRESIDENT: Senator Remmers.

SENATOR REMMERS: (Response inaudible.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I know