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Legal Snag

Washington

Ohio Senator William Saxbe's eligibility for the post of attorney general was questioned here yesterday on constitutional grounds.

A section of the Constitution says that no member of Congress can be appointed to any civil office during his term in Congress if the salary of that office has been increased during that period.

The salary of the attorney general was raised while Saxbe was in the Senate. The procedure was that the President ordered Cabinet pay raises to take effect if Congress did not object and the Congress didn't.

Justice Department spokesman Horace Webb said that acting Attorney General Robert H. Bork believes that legislation can resolve the problem and such legislation will be sent forward with Mr. Saxbe's nomination."

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