

SPEAKER WITHEM: You know, I'm not as familiar with the group as I should be. These resolutions are brought to us annually from the Secretary of State's Office. It's part of the...part of the...the Statehood Day ceremonies. I remember asking this question and being thoroughly briefed, last year, because I knew how good you are at raising these questions. I did not get as thoroughly briefed this year. I wish you'd have asked me the question last year, you would have got a much better response.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Withem. I'm intrigued by this LR 316, that has to do with the egg business?

SPEAKER WITHEM: It has to do with Mr. Gardner, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you had mentioned something about the egg industry or the egg business?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yeah, Mr. Gardner was involved with Mr. Waldbaum, as I understand it, from the information I have here in the...in the Waldbaum Company, and Mr. Gardner then went on, after another company, purchased that and is...has leadership position at that company.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. I got a letter this morning from a doctor...well, I don't know if it was from the medical association, but they're inviting the legislators to a breakfast. And I thought the doctor who signed it had a very appropriate name. His name was Dr. Bacon. So maybe if they could combine that breakfast with this state Nebraska dinner, they could have bacon and eggs, maybe. (Laugh.) But here's what I really wanted to say about these kind of resolutions, I don't know any of the people who are involved. And, as I've said on other occasions, I take the word of those who are presenting them to us that everybody is as honorable as we're told that they are. But when an entire family is honored I would have liked to have had the opportunity to see whether or not all the members of that family, in their current activities, are doing the kinds of things that are worthy of honor and whether or not I would agree with them. The only reason I'm saying this, resolutions, we know, don't carry a lot of weight. But there is a situation that can arise where a person can present a resolution that the Legislature gave as kind of an endorsement of everything that they're doing, because the