

SENATOR MARESH: Senator Barnett, I hope you don't have any other questions about the bill.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'm saying that it's probably going to have to have an amendment on this, I'm not trying to make it controversial, I'm just saying that we should clear it as we come across the board with these things. Okay.

SPEAKER: Okay, now are you going to vote or-

SENATOR BARNETT: No I'll think I'll pass.

SPEAKER: Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, no nays Mr. President.

SPEAKER: LB 239 as amended is advanced. Stand by. We have a very special visitor with this morning and the Chair would like to take a point of personal pleasure and appoint a special committee of Senator Wiltse, and Senator Luedtke to retire to the back of the Chamber and escort to the front of the Chamber, Mrs. Harold Smith, her husband, and Mrs. Ralph Hill, Mrs. Harold Smith of course, is the 1972 Mother of the Year for Nebraska, and we would like to have her come forward at this time. Each year, I presume that the body is aware and also the spectators that there is held in Nebraska, a contest to determine the Mother of the Year, and that choice then represents us in National competition. Last year the timing of the adjournment of the legislature was such that Mrs. Smith could not be honored, because the very day that she was named and chosen, that was the day that the legislature adjourned, if my recollection is correct, as a result of that we really were short changed in not having the chance to have her appear before this body, which is a rather traditional appearance, and to express to us a few of her thoughts. I think it rather advantageous to us that she now speak to us, because she has had the advantage of some experience in this position and perhaps she can share with us, some of the experiences she has had of this honor that has come to her, so it is with a great deal of pleasure that I introduce to the Unicameral Legislature and the spectators Mrs. Harold Smith, of Auburn, Nebraska, Nebraska's 1972 Mother of the Year. Mrs. Smith.

MRS. SMITH: Thank you Lt. Governor Marsh. It was really a surprise for me to be told that I was expected to give my experiences, because I thought you'd be a busy group of people and wouldn't want to take the time for that, so really I'm not prepared, except to extend a word of thanks, it is indeed a privilege to be here and I appreciate being escorted by our own Senator, Senator Wiltse, and I should like to greet all the other members of the Legislature, and Mrs. Hill, and friends whom I see here today. I feel it has been just a real honor to be presented to the Legislature, this morning, because, as I know that you do have a busy schedule and I want to thank you for taking your time for this. It's been a real privilege for me to be able to represent the mothers of Nebraska this past year, as the 1972 State Mother. I have tried to do my very best, that I know how in representing the mothers, and I'm very appreciative of all of the wonderful kindnesses and courtesies that have been extended to me all through the year. To you, Lt. Governor Marsh, and all the other people who had a part in the ceremonies last spring, I do wish to say my thanks again, my experience here at the Capitol was an experience that will long be remembered as a memorable event in my life. I was born on a farm in western Nebraska, near McCook, where my, on a farm where my father had homesteaded and where my parents lived their entire sixty five years of married life, and then after I was married, I came to live with my husband in southeast Nebraska, near Auburn, on a farm where he was born. So you