

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the advancement of the bill as explained by Senator Goll. All those in favor of the bill advancing vote aye, opposed vote no. Record. There is a little problem in trying to figure out why you would vote no on your own bill. Have you all voted? Okay.

SENATOR GOLL: Mr. Speaker, may I have only three or four seconds to say that I certainly thank my fellow legislators for the fine vote of confidence in this beautiful piece of legislation. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the advancement of the bill. Record.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The bill is advanced. The next bill is LB 335.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 335 introduced by Senator Marsh. (Title read.) The bill was read on January 19 of last year. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. Mr. President, there are committee amendments pending by the Judiciary Committee.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, before I start on the committee amendment, Senator Goll, I wanted to let you know that Senator Labeledz wants to know if she is a fellow? As far as the committee amendments on LB 335 are concerned, as originally drafted LB 335 would establish new procedures for dealing with abuse, neglect, and exploitation of adults. It became rather obvious at the public hearing as the bill was very comprehensive in dealing across the board with all types of abuse cases, that much more study was required before the committee could act favorably on the bill of this nature. Senator Marsh proposed several amendments which would strike major portions of the original draft and it would simply include in the current abuse statutes disabled persons over eighteen years of age and all persons over sixty years of age. The committee felt that this was a legitimate first step in this area and acted favorably upon these amendments. Amendments brought to the committee by Senator Marsh were acted favorably upon by the committee and are the committee amendments. I would move for the adoption of the committee amendments.