

guests of Senator Lynch under the north balcony. She is Senator Lynch's daughter, Julie Freeman, and her friend, Peggy Smith of Omaha. Please rise and be recognized by the Legislature. It is Julie's birthday today. Congratulations. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: The amendment was adopted...the committee amendments are adopted. Senator Withem, to explain the bill.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. President, colleagues, I rise to ask you to advance LB 208 to Select File. In essence, Senator Johnson has explained the bill in explaining the committee amendments. The only thing I guess I would add, for those of you desiring a little graphic understanding of what we are talking about with the shrinkage, I have distributed a document that Lou Lamberty spoke from when he testified in favor of this bill which graphically demonstrates what it is we are speaking of. A gasoline wholesaler will buy gasoline from the terminal. They will transport it, they will store it, and then they will transport it on to the service station. In the time that they are handling this gasoline, they will lose some of the product. In statute we have always said 3 percent and that was the best guess that we had. With this bill, we are indicating again our best guess now that we have put the committee amendment on it is that 2 percent is a better figure, leaving the 3 percent shrinkage for the smaller dealers that handle 75,000 gallons of gasoline or less per month. The bill has been explained quite fully. I will go into no more detail unless somebody has additional questions of me. I ask you to support the bill.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President, members of the body, I am not going to oppose the bill but I want you to know that there is a lot of small distributors out there that still may be able to be contributing some to the State of Nebraska and that it isn't just all rosy. But it was a compromise and I think it was something that we have to get off our backs and live with it and the distributors that I represent felt that they would go along with it even though they will find out