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as it is now, the bank is out. Yet my wife has received her fair share of these funds. My children have received their fair share of these funds and they say, have your wife come down and sign the note with you. Phyllis works as many women do. The bank is open from nine until three. I transact business and borrow money, maybe every other day according to the markets. How can she take off work every other day? And in the cities it is worse to take off work to go down to the bank and help sign a note. I don't see anything wrong with this. You are saying that all men are bad, that they are going to go out and rob all the widows, that they are going to borrow all this money on purpose. The husband says he wants to make an investment and if his wife says no investment, somebody has to be the boss. Let's say that he is right and he makes an investment and they make \$50,000 and let's say that the Commission on the Status of Women, they rule and it is the wrong decision. They lose \$50,000. So I don't see anything wrong with this bill. I don't see anybody rising up and having bonfires and marching around the state capitol because the widows have lost their farms and their homesteads. So I think we are getting all emotional over something and as far as I am concerned I will support the bill. We have been getting along just fine with the way it is and I am sorry that the Commission on the Status of Women are unhappy but that is life. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes, I would like to call the question, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I see twenty-five hands I guess. The question is shall debate cease. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? We are voting on ceasing debate on the amendment to LB 306. Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 7 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion passes. Debate ceases and, Senator Beutler, you are closing on the committee amendment now. Those of you who had your lights on I will keep you in that order for speaking on the bill itself. Go ahead, Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I guess the great irony of this vote, Mr. Speaker, is going to be that all those who spoke against the amendment are speaking against an amendment