

The original history I am told as far as the game management originated because of the concern of certain individuals selling feathers years ago off of birds but since that time we have evolved to a system where the Game and Parks has a strict control over the numbers of birds that are taken, over the licensing procedure so that it would seem to me that there is really no need to include the feathers and skins as part of their criteria. So I would simply ask the body's adoption of this amendment that would allow those people that are dealing in these relatively small insignificant items, as far as dollar values are concerned, from the fact of having to have a \$100.00 fur buyers permit. I have, as I indicated when this bill was on General File, I have no problem with raising the fees under LB 72 because I believe in user fees. I think that is the correct way to go. The people that hunt and fish in this state should pay for the Game and Parks administration of the hunting and fishing within the state but I do have a problem with requiring a \$100.00 fee for those people that are dealing with an item that goes to waste anyhow. It seems to me that is a ridiculous requirement and ask the body's adoption, bringing LB 72 back for Select File for this specific amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Before we go to the next speaker, in the North balcony from Seward St. John's Lutheran School, 27 students, fourth grade, five adults. Lucinda Bartels is the teacher. Raise your hands so we can see where you are, please. Welcome to the Unicameral. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Labeledz is not here today but she wanted to go ahead with this bill if it could be processed. The Game and Parks Commission called and advised that they have no objection to the Vickers amendment and, in fact, they understand the need for it or the reasons for the individuals he is talking about having this particular exemption so I would urge you to support the amendment, return the bill, adopt the amendment and advance the bill so that it can be processed maybe next week on Final.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Dworak, your light is on.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President, colleagues, I can't see any reason to make this exception in this particular instance. I think Senator Vickers in some instances sort of soft-soaped this issue a little bit where some of these people are small and some of them do it on a very small basis but I think some of the articles I have read, this plumage from wild birds is a big business and there is a lot of profit and I am personally not opposed to profit. I think it is a great thing but I am also not opposed to fees. It seems to me we