

SENATOR WARNER: Because you're using current values, it likely would raise it. It would raise it by the amount of the number of homes that you were fully exempting because they were under the maximum levy of 40,000 up in Douglas.

SENATOR WITEK: Well I guess I have in my mind that if we go ahead and use the valuations for this year since they are so much higher, a lot of people will be disqualified from the homestead exemption. If we stayed with the prior year, they would have one more year possibly of qualifying for the homestead exemption. Is that correct or...

SENATOR WARNER: Pardon?

SENATOR WITEK: Would that be correct? If we use them for this year it will disqualify a lot of people. If we go for last year, a lot of people will have one more year of qualifying.

SENATOR WARNER: No, no. This doesn't affect their period of eligibility. This only deals with the amount of valuation.

SENATOR WITEK: Okay, thank you, Senator.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Witek. Any further discussion? Does not appear to be any. Senator Warner, do you have closing? Closing is waived. The question is the advancement of LB 499. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The bill is advanced. LB 671.

ASSISTANT CLERK: LB 671 was introduced by Senators Vrtiska and Schellpeper. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 19, referred to the Ag Committee. That committee reports the bill to General File with committee amendments.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Dierks, on the committee amendments.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, LB 671 was intended to provide for the revival of agricultural societies such as those