

1 occasions they are killed; and if one should adopt the
2 point of view, as many people do, that one of the purposes of
3 a State legislature is to legislate selectively and well
4 rather than too profusively and quantitatively, then cer-
5 tainly the operation of the second house to eliminate bad
6 legislation and to correct legislation which would be bad
7 if passed in the form in which it was enacted in the first
8 House, then certainly the operation of the second house
9 in all respects acts not only to clear up technical diffi-
10 culties, but also gives one an opportunity to offer substan-
11 tive amendments, and on occasion, when necessary, to kill
12 a bill which should not have been passed at all.

13 I might say here, too, that ⁴⁹~~40~~ of the 50
14 States of the Union use the bicameral system, and although
15 it is true that there was some early experimentation in
16 the New England States with the unicameral system through
17 1838, that by and large, with the exception of the State
18 of Nebraska, that the bicameral system has been a tradi-
19 tion in State legislatures.

20 Admittedly, the bicameral house has been done
21 away with in most of the urban communities and the large