

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then why don't we just say we want these games to be run the same way as all other gambling is run in Nebraska, including Big Red Keno in Omaha.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, this again is one of those bills that should have just been left alone, and I wouldn't have anything to say on it at this point. I was just going to vote against it. But it was brought before us and the issues were presented to us. Senator Schimek asked a question that I think was interesting and it deserved an answer, and the answer that I gave at the very end is one that I'm very serious about. Let us just state in this bill, strike the language that I'm talking about and indicate that it, it is the policy, or it is the desire of the Legislature that gambling, conducted under the terms of any compact, would be conducted on the same basis, with the same degree of honesty and accountability as is found in other gambling in Nebraska. So I would ask Senator Schellpeper, what would be wrong that, Senator Schellpeper?

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: I didn't, I didn't hear the question, Senator. We were visiting back here.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Senator Hohenstein, I'd like to ask you a question because you, you discussed this briefly with me.

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If this language were taken out, and...first of all, do you personally feel this language is appropriate, on its merits or lack of merits?

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: I think it's probably unnecessary.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If it were felt that some kind of language expressing the idea without being offensive were to be substituted, would what I suggested be acceptable to you, that any gambling conducted pursuant to a compact, agreed upon