

alone will have the power to negotiate with that tribe and make that decision. And it may turn out, for example, that the ultimate interpretation of federal law is that Indians can have forms of gambling beyond those specifically permitted under Nebraska law. Or it may be that that will be left to the prerogative of the state to make that decision. If you allow a Governor to go and perhaps make a decis...a decision that might be too broad-based for you, you could end up giving the Governor prerogative, for example, or the Governor may take the prerogative, for example, of expanding gambling, in this particular instance, beyond what it is in the rest of the state. Again, I think that we have a responsibility. And the people of the state are not going to understand it if we don't take a hold of that responsibility as best we can given the limitations of federal law. And I don't know of anything in federal law that dictates that we cannot decide upon the procedure whereby we will approve of the compact. And I think we ought to do that. I think we ought to do the very best we can to see that that decision on gambling comports with how we treat everybody else and comports with the ideas of our individual constituents. That's all the amendment does. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT MOUL:** Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Moore followed by Senators Ashford, Chambers, Schellpeper, and Hohenstein.

**SENATOR MOORE:** Madam President and members, as I, I've been hesitant to get in this debate because I don't necessarily understand it as well as Senator Schellpeper and those affected like Senator Hohenstein. I sit here and watch things unfold today, I'm reminded of what it must have been like back in '83 when we entered, first entered the low-level radioactive waste compact. So we can't do anything about this, let's just do it. In ten years we fought over since then. Well, I think Senator Beutler's amendment is a good one. And the simple fact, I remember back, I don't know, '87, '88, Senator Chambers made me vote on a bill that I caught more grief over than any other bill I ever voted on. And that was to pay the Nebraska football players. And that was a bill that Senator Chambers said, I'm going to make a statement, I'm going to try to make a difference, we need to try and do something. And I agreed with it at that time and I caught grief over...I never voted for it since then, Senator Chambers. But, I think one year we did pass it. I think we have made a stride forward educating the public. I think Senator Beutler's amendment is true here today, harken