

they have had in gambling area and broadening things like this and the lack of control over it. That's that simple. It's that problem all over the country and just like, I'm echoing a word Senator Chambers used on the old football players payment, sometimes you've got to stand and fight and say, wait a second, this is something that we want to control our destiny over. Is this true it's not about casino gambling? It may well be. In my case it happens to be that because I think that...I mean it would be much easier for me. Some people know, I mean, have I gone out to the horse track? Yes. I was at a casino last Friday in Colorado. It's legal there and I don't think it ought to be in Nebraska. I wish it wasn't in Colorado. But it would be easy for me to say nothing on this bill, vote it over, let the Governor negotiate a casino (inaudible) and say, well, you know, I couldn't do anything about it, I couldn't do anything about it, it just happened, it just happened, I couldn't do anything. Well you can do something about it and if you think it's a policy that ought to be considered by the Legislature, you ought to do something about it. It's that simple. Now Senator Beutler's amendment, you know, we'll find out if it's going to work and if the best it does is delay that operation, that's fine by me. That's what it ought to do. I mean it's something we shouldn't hand it over to the administration and say, do whatever you want and then when it happens, like Pontius Pilate we wash our hands and say, well, there's nothing we can do about it. There is something you can do about it. You can stay the course, you vote for Senator Beutler's amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, Senator Hohenstein makes points strongly but he's not making them logically in this case, I don't think. But he points out to you, he says are we going to get into the details of negotiation? What about the contract at the racetrack over here, or a keno operation over there. It's true we let others negotiate but you know what the major difference is? If we're not liking what is happening at the racetracks or we're not liking what is happening with the keno operations, we go back all by ourselves and change the state's statutes and make things happen the way we think they should happen, the way our people want them to happen. But if you let this contract go, if you let this compact go, you're not going to be able to change it once it's done. It's done, finished, stuck, and you won't be able to change it until the federal government once again