

we didn't and I'm glad that we're back here and I appreciate this amendment. I think that we absolutely have an obligation to the people back home to maintain some check and balance on this really delicate area, an area where there can be so much money and so much temptation to do the wrong thing. We simply cannot let it go unregulated completely. And I don't care what the federal government has done, I really don't care. I think we've got to do what we think is right in the instance that we have right here. I find it really interesting, we've heard the arguments on this floor on many issues and I have a great deal of respect for the arguments on many issues that Senator Chambers has made and yet on this issue I have come full circle in listening to him to the point that I think we would do a disservice to the Indians as well as many other poor people and people who succumb to the temptation of gambling. If we just simply abrogated our responsibility and our controls in every respect, Senator Chambers, how would you feel if you felt like the Governor took advantage of the Native Americans?

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR BROMM: What if he took advantage of them and negotiated something that was entirely unfavorable to them as many of the white people did years ago and there were no check and balance, there were no opportunity on the floor of this Legislature for you to point out, to point out what a bad deal the Native Americans were getting. You know, put the shoe on the other foot. We're assuming, we're assuming that the Governor is going to negotiate away, everything that is good for us, but what if he negotiated so well for us that it was very unfair, once again, to the Native Americans? I see no problem with us having this check and balance system. The Governor is going to have to communicate with the Legislature well enough that he is going to have to have a sense for where he can go and not go with this negotiations. I don't see anything bad faith about that any more than assuming that the Indian negotiator is going to have a sense of where the tribal council is at when he speaks for them.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR BROMM: It's the same thing. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Senator Wickersham, followed by Senators Ashford, Dierks, Schellpeper, Chambers, Lynch and Abboud.