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like Big Green have been imposed by the district court already. Senator DeCamp is trying to undo what the court has done with this particular bill. I'm telling you again there was a bill advanced by a Committee which would make sure that lotteries like Big Green do not operate. Those kind that the Legislature are for and which do not offer the big skim off the top will continue to operate.

As was pointed out at the hearing, if you are dealing with a church or some group like the Boys Club that sells these little raffle tickets and you might win a television set, you're not buying the ticket primarily because you think you're going to win the prize, you would give the money anyway because you're in favor of the charity that you call yourself supporting. But where Big Green and Big Gold are concerned you're only aim is to win the money. You're not donating to a charity. You want to win just like if you put \$2 on a horses nose, you want that horse to win so you can get some money. You don't call yourself donating to Ak-Sar-Ben or the Thoroughbred Races Association or anyother outfit like that. This Big Green lottery is gambling pure and simple. The other people, like Senator Luedtke and some of those who supported these church lotteries and the fraternal groups having lotteries, kept emphasizing that the people who buy these little tickets are willing to support the operation in the first place and their primary aim is not to win the prize. If you talk to most of them they don't feel they're going to win.

Based on what Senator Murphy pointed out about the figures I won't add anything else to it. I just hope you support the motion.

SENATOR SAVAGE: The question is to indefinitely postpone LB 464 by Senator Chambers. Please register your vote. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm going to ask for a Call of the House.

SENATOR SAVAGE: Do I see five hands? Call of the House. Clear the board will you please. Will you indicate your presence please. Shall the House go under Call. Record.

CLERK: 31 ayes to go under Call.

SENATOR SAVAGE: The House is under Call. Will you please record your presence. Sergeant-at-Arms secure those that are absent from the chamber.

While we're waiting for the members to take their places I'd like to, at this time, introduce a group of school administrators from Chadron State College who are here today with Dr. Dan McPherson. These folks are situated both in the South and the North balconies. They're from Senator Stull's district. Would you please rise and be recognized by our Legislature.

Senator DeCamp. Senator Schmit. Senator Maresh. Senator Rumery.