

restrictions that Senator Bromm talks about because those are exactly the kinds of things we don't want to have happen, but at the same time, we want to have the ability, if necessary, as we get more and more members who are not in a retirement or a semiretirement mode, they are actually working on a day-to-day basis in their other lives and they need to have that connection, if you will, that technology available to them, so that they can conduct a dual life and be active citizen legislators at the same time that they are down here representing the district. I would urge the advancement of the bill to E & R Initial.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Hall. The question is the advancement of LB 1243 to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 1243.

SPEAKER WITHEM: LB 1243 advances. LB 1153.

CLERK: LB 1153, a bill originally introduced by the General Affairs Committee. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 18, referred to General Affairs, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending by the General Affairs Committee. (See AM3335 found on page 829 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Schellpeper on the committee amendments.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members. LB 1153, actually it pertains to the funding of the Racing Commission. We had to change the funding. Currently the Racing Commission is funded by 30 cents per person admission tax and also a license fee. Now, the original bill, it changed the current license fee of \$50 per day of every day of live racing for every race track that holds live racing except Atokad. They were changed to \$25 per day because they don't have as much bet as the other tracks and also they do not have any other track that takes their simulcast. Currently Ak-Sar-Ben and Lincoln pay \$400 per day for live racing and the other tracks all pay \$30 per day. So that's the original bill. So then these amendments came on, the committee amendments reinstated the admission tax that we took out in the original bill because