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SENATOR SMITH: And where could those casinos be located?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: On their reservations only, on land that is held in trust by the federal government for purposes of gaming since 1988. And in all the history of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, there have only been three exceptions in the entire United States to that.

SENATOR SMITH: But there have been exceptions made?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: There have been three.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: It's very difficult. You have to go through the Secretary of Interior. Your Governor has to agree. It's almost impossible. And I think where they've allowed it is where there was some land that was right adjacent to the reservation land, but I don't have all the details of those cases.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, thank you, Senator Schimek. Nonetheless, I do believe that that does lead the discussion open-ended. If there are exceptions made for Indian casinos on nonreservation land, that needs to be part of the discussion and certainly is relevant for debate after this amendment is decided, whether it's adopted or rejected. But I heard something very interesting in the debate this morning and that is gambling revenues should not be used for the General Fund, and the quote was "gambling funds should be used for all kinds of other extras." To me, that's very concerning, and when we're talking about trying to address budget issues, our budget problem is with the General Fund. Our budget problem is not with the Cash Funds. And I think this is a very real issue in terms of growing government. And I got the report, when we talk about growing government and from 50 State Comparisons, March 2003 Edition, of demographic, taxes and revenues, government, economic, education, transportation, public safety, health and welfare, Nebraska ranks number one in the nation for its administration of the lottery at 23.8 percent. So Nebraska is