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SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, I think this is healthy. (Laugh) Others are having heart attacks, but I think this is healthy. This is a big issue and I don't want to discount any of the work that's been done on either side of this issue, because I think before we venture into something we should exactly know what we're doing. Are we all going to agree? Doubt it. But I would like to ask Senator Beutler a question, I guess, if he is available.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, would you yield to a question of Senator Erdman?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator.

SENATOR ERDMAN: The amendment before us strikes the eight and goes to five. Is that correct?

SENATOR BEUTLER: That's right.

SENATOR ERDMAN: So then the constitutional amendment, if this amendment would be adopted, would say that you would have five casinos authorized by the Legislature as opposed to the eight.

SENATOR BEUTLER: It would say up to five.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Up...I'm sorry, up to.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Right.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Okay. Thank you. It's ironic that we appear at times to come full circle. On General File, I asked Senator Schimek a question about why we are using LR 14CA instead of LR 11CA, and the logical thought was we've already got a bill on Select File in LR 11CA, why don't we just use that vehicle and save the body the time of going through General File and Select File? And ironically, the amendment before us is exactly what's in LR 11CA--five casinos, five casinos. Now, the other things that are going to be added to this on behalf of the proponents or the things that will be offered on behalf of the opponents could have been done to LR 11CA. So, in fairness to the process, if we were really concerned about the time, we could