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State of Nebraska. Do you mean to tell me that organized crime...

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator Venditte.

SENATOR VENDITTE: ...you mean to tell me that organized crime wants to come into a state where there is a penalty provision of \$20,000 and up to 10 years in jail? I think organized crime is more intelligent than that. I would support the DeCamp amendments and I would hope that the members of the Legislature would do as well.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Frank Lewis.dramatic entrance.

SENATOR LEWIS: talking to a lawyer, Mr. Speaker. Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise to support the Committee amendments. We had a long and hard discussion about the issue at hand. The Committee amendments basically are agreements reached with Police Chief Anderson, Mr. Bucchino, the Attorney General's office. I think the major problem in the bill was the fact that as Senator DeCamp brought it in it eliminated the felony charge. Those law enforcement officials believe and I believe and several members of the Committee believe that there should be a point in time when that becomes a felony. The point in time before was a complicated procedure in terms of a dollar figure and a certain number of bets. The Committee refined that to simply say that if you do a thousand dollars or more business a day in terms of take as a bookie that's a felony, which is simple and in straight-forward language. If you don't, then the lesser misdemeanors have taken place. Obviously, the number one problem has got to be in terms of...in terms of gambling has got to be with those that you think are doing that for a livelihood and a very good livelihood, and with big dollars. The Committee amendment corrects that. I think with that particular amendment the bill is in reasonable shape and should be passed.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp. Senator DeCamp, did you wish to speak again?

SENATOR DeCAMP: To close, or are there more to speak?

PRESIDENT: Well, no, actually you may close because there are no other lights on, so you may close at this time.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, as they correctly stated,