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at this bill. In fact, I would like to see a little more debate on it here on the floor. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: Are we still on the kill motion?

PRESIDENT: Yes, sir, we are on the motion to indefinitely postpone.

SENATOR GEORGE: I call the question.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? Yes, I do. The question then is all those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, those opposed no. Shall debate cease? Have you all voted? The motion is to cease debate on the motion to indefinitely postpone LB 612. Have you all voted? Senator George, I will just call it and we will go on. Record the vote.

CLERK: 20 ayes, 7 nays on the motion to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails. The Chair recognizes Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, my first session in the Legislature was 1963. At that time we had a proposal for a state operated lottery and a number of times since. Nebraska through your Legislature has always wisely seen fit to defeat this type of an operation and I think we'd be wise if we would do it again. I have seen lottery in operation, not only in this country, but in at least two other countries, and as I watched those that came to buy a ticket at the booths and wherever they were for sale, I couldn't help but think now here are people, a great number of them, that are spending money that could well go to pay expenses for the family, buy a pair of shoes for the children, buy a loaf of bread, that has been mentioned, and they go home without because they have spent money for something they thought would get them large sums of money in some cases. The question could be asked, does lottery provide funds for worthwhile causes, and the answer, of course, would be, yes, it could. On the other hand, I think it has been proven that for every dollar that is spent for worthy causes we have spent perhaps more than that to overcome some of the results of an operation like this. Talking about law enforcement, I am talking about no doubt there will be an increase in welfare demands and needs. All of us have read articles

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