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are funding very heavily right now. We will continue to fund that area. I personally see no reason why this new tax device could not be used to help alleviate some of the load that we truly are carrying with our present tax bills. It is for that reason that I would oppose Senator Chambers' kill motion.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this is an interesting discussion this morning. I would just think it is kind of amusing when we talk about the threat to our individual morals, I guess, if you allow a lottery ticket to be purchased by someone who may or may not reap the reward out of it. I guess, you know, I've bought chances, I've played a little bingo, I've done all those various things. Also I think you know I used to like to hear Senator Kennedy get up and say he is against gambling. He likes to invest his money in something sure like cattle feeding and farming where he has no chance of losing any money and I think we are all involved in this same situation. I really do not see the terrible threat to morality that some people insist is going to take place if Senator Simon's bill becomes law. We are all able to make that decision as to whether we want to buy a lottery ticket or not. We are all able to make our own decision as to how we want to conduct our personal lives. I think you'd have a heck of a time getting yourself into personal financial difficulty purchasing lottery tickets. That can happen in almost any kind of a business but very frankly, and I know Senator Wesely spoke about the threat that has developed from legalized horse racing, but you are not going to change that. As has been indicated here before, some people will gamble and some won't. Senator Kelly argued eloquently some will drink and some won't. There is always going to be this personal decision that is involved here. At this time I would like to yield some of my time to Senator Labeledz because she and I had a little discussion about this. Senator Labeledz, do you have a comment to make?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Yes, I have, morally I should vote to support Senator Chambers' kill motion but it would be a little hypocritical of me to stand here as I did a year and two years ago fighting for the bingo and for the pickle system that we have. I would like to tell you what is going on in Omaha now and I don't know if too many people know about it but any organization now, and we have several that are doing it,