

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Lindsay, are you there?

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, I'd appreciate it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...what the ordinance does and what it could allow, you know, in response to Senator Smith's question, because I don't want to mislead in that regard.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you. Did you hear what I asked?

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: You asked what would happen (inaudible) of the ordinance?

SENATOR SMITH: In the absence of this, of us passing this piece of legislation, based on what if the ordinance is determined to be unconstitutional and in fact it was found that it was not and there is nothing then, no ordinance, no law.

SENATOR LINDSAY: If it was found that the statute...or excuse me, the ordinance was unconstitutional? Is that what you're saying?

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR LINDSAY: What would happen is the Omaha police would most li...at least I'm going to go with what happens in Omaha, the Omaha police would basically quit enforcing prostitution laws, because the time would not...involved in it would not warrant the \$100 fines. That's all it is. They would be stopped on the street corner, if they're found violating the ordinance, would be issued a citation, which they could then pay the \$100 down at the courthouse. I'm assuming...it's a maximum \$100. I don't know if there is a minimum.

PRESIDENT: Time has expired. Senator Chambers, please, then Senator Abboud.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, what Senator Lindsay mentioned is not unusual, that law enforcement will not do its job, if the Legislature doesn't behave in the way law enforcement says. Senator Lindsay, would you answer a question for me.