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Omaha to place a tax or get part of the tax that was then being paid by Ak-Sar-Ben to be paid to Omaha. That bill was killed by the Revenue Committee but it was, in fact, an attempt to recognize that Omaha does incur expenses to have Ak-Sar-Ben in Omaha and that there are expenses such as roads and traffic control that are necessary to keep up during the racing season and I think that they recognize that there were expenses and I think that we have to recognize that the City of Omaha does have expenses, that they do, in fact, have to pay for enforcement. As Senator Hall said though, there's only been one situation and that might have been isolated. But, really, my point is could we not...and I guess I will ask Senator Hall this question if he would yield.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Senator Hall, would you be amenable to an amendment to include most of the provisions of LB 660 in 775?

SENATOR HALL: Senator Johnson, I think that question might be more appropriately directed toward Senator Beck. It's her priority bill. She did...she is on the floor at present.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Sure.

SENATOR HALL: You know me, I would like amendments, but...

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Okay. I will ask Senator Beck then because she did...she does serve on the General Affairs Committee and she did hear LB 660 yesterday. Senator Beck, would you consider an amendment on Select File that would include most of the agreed provisions of LB 660 and LB 775?

SENATOR BECK: I would certainly be...or Senator Moore...or Senator Johnson, I'm sorry, I would certainly be amenable to that and we could sit down and discuss that. Again, we would have to take Senator Lynch and those people that are on 660, I think, into consideration to make certain that we were all in agreement and in sync on it. But I would not be against that, no.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Okay. Let me ask you this, are you supportive...