

services. I'm not...I don't have a clear grasp of that, to be honest with you, so I don't...I don't know. I doubt that there would be any more involvement than there has been with regard to the City of Omaha and I have never seen crowd control an issue at a bingo game when you're dealing mostly with retired individuals. But some communities feel that that funding, that revenue is necessary for them. They did not come in and say, we should...we would like to have the tax reduced or we have no problem with the reduction in the tax. The City of Omaha did and I think that they clearly understood that basically the gravy train had to stop at some point...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR HALL: ...and were willing to support the bill.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Hall, one last question. It's my understanding that the League appeared in opposition to the bill. Is it your understanding that opposition is heavy to the amendment that is being discussed at this point, the committee amendments?

SENATOR HALL: I don't understand that there is any opposition to the committee amendments on the part of the League.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Then I guess my final question would be if there is no opposition by the League in regard to the largest municipality in regards to a large amount of...well, within a couple hundred thousand dollars that we have, why would there be any further opposition if we extended it to the rest of the state where we're talking even less amount of money?

SENATOR HALL: Well, I think, again, Senator, that the issue is one of we have the revenue coming in, it's been coming in and we don't want to lose any revenue. And, as you get down to the smaller communities, even though you're talking about smaller amounts, the impact may be greater. I have...I have been willing to say I can agree with that argument and I won't address the issue as it deals with some of those smaller communities because, even though the numbers are smaller, the impact is that much greater. In the case of the City of Omaha they have stated that they don't need the money and in this case I would tend to agree.

PRESIDENT: Time.