

cut the funding of those programs to make up the shortfall caused by the bingo tax reduction?

SENATOR HALL: Senator Haberman, none of those charities run a bingo game, to my knowledge. As a matter of fact, I'm positive that none of those operations run a bingo game. They also provide services to the city or the residents of the city that are not provided by some of those charitable organizations, specifically schools that do run bingo games. So to answer your question, the answer would be no.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Hall, you would not want the city to cut their funding.

SENATOR HALL: Right.

SENATOR HABERMAN: However, is the city receiving some of their funding possibly from the bingo tax?

SENATOR HALL: For those specific purposes?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, for their budget to be used in any project they want.

SENATOR HALL: Well, of course, they are. My second question is, would you support the City of Omaha raising local taxes to make up the difference and/or the loss in the bingo tax?

SENATOR HALL: Senator Haberman, there is no need for the city to raise their taxes. With the passage of the previous LB 775, all the growth and the industry that has going in the City of Omaha, there is absolutely no need. Their budget is going to grow dramatically over the next couple years.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Hall, would you...

SENATOR HALL: ConAgra alone is going to bring in three to 500 new employees.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Hall, would you say that the revenue to the City of Omaha is going to be less revenue if we adopt a bingo tax reduction, in the tax? Is the city going to receive less or more money?

SENATOR HALL: For what, Senator Haberman? Overall in their