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LB 767

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would just clarify something that may have created confusion when I introduced this amendment. We, in the bill, in LB 767, we did provide Section 49 which would give the rights of cities to regulate and to control whether or not the lottery came in. This amendment would remove that. But in addition to that, we had already in the bill also did something else that could keep Beaver Crossing from doing what you were talking about by saying in the bill that you are restricted to be in the confines of your boundaries. If you were a county, you could not have lotteries outside your county any longer because of the bill, which has not been adopted yet. So that is what confused you, and for a little bit, me, too, when you were talking about that. So the purpose of this amendment, then, would be to undo what you were talking about. It would take out the opportunity for the city to have some say-so about lotteries in their communities, and I guess I have convinced myself in the course of this conversation to tell everyone here that I am going to be voting against this amendment. Thank you. I would ask for, whatever, the people to vote on the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question is the adoption of the Smith amendment to LB 767. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 0 nays, 23 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion fails.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Smith, would you care to talk about advancement of the bill?

SENATOR SMITH: Well, Loran should have voted green on that amendment. He just now came back and asked me what was in it, and it would have had one light. The bill now, essentially, becomes the committee amendments except for the provisions that I stated to you earlier which is the fact that we confine, I guess you could call it confine, the communities or the subdivisions to being able to conduct only one type of lottery at a time, and one other provision, and that they also have been confined to the geographic boundaries of that subdivision or whatever it happens to be. So without any further discussion on