

they would have to vote again. And I believe, Senator Hartnett and, Senator Smith, correct me if I'm wrong, but if this bill passes as it is, then if a community or a city votes it in and does not conduct a lottery for four years, well, then they would have to vote again, as I understand it.

SENATOR SMITH: Could I...would you mind if I would just add something to this?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yes, I will give you my...it's my time.

SENATOR HEFNER: This is Senator Hefner's time.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yes, I will give you my time. That's all I wanted to do is just clarify it. I will give you my time.

SENATOR SMITH: I thought it was his time.

PRESIDENT: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: All right, I would just say that, yes, the bill does make a provision that if, after four years, they have not begun the lottery operation after the vote then it does become...it has to...there would have to be another election, but they know that when they go into it, by the bill. The bill will...after it becomes law, they know this. The folks that we're talking about are those that would be, basically, you might call it grandfathered in because they already had a vote prior to this bill. And so what we're saying is those people already had a vote and there has been...they have not held a lottery at this point in time but, basically, why force them to...we're only talking about a limited number of communities here and it would be very costly for them to hold another election process, as I mentioned, 250,000 for Omaha.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, please, followed by Senator Crosby. Senator Crosby, please.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, I have listened again to the debate on all of the various kinds of gambling that are allowed in the State of Nebraska. I am not a gambler. It kills me to lose 20 cents. I would rather give it to the horse or give it to the jockey or whatever but not bet it. My motto is "horse sense is what keeps horses from betting on what people will do." And I think that we all...the people