

Hartnett's amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Hartnett amendment is adopted. May I introduce some guests, please, in the north balcony. Senator Scott Moore has 24 third and fourth grade students from Garland Elementary School at Garland, Nebraska and their teacher. Would you students and teacher please stand so we may recognize you. Thank you for visiting us today. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Hall and Smith would move to amend. The amendment is printed separately, Mr. President. You will find it in your bill books.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hall, are you going to handle that?

SENATOR HALL: Yes.

PRESIDENT: All right.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, the amendment deals with changes in the statutes that affect bingo. And, as many of you know, there has not been a bingo bill that was advanced from committee this year because the changes that are made are very limited and they're, virtually all of them, at the request of the department. I have handed out for you a sheet, checkerboard, that shows one of the provisions of the amendment and if you would just take a moment to look at that. The left-hand column there where we talk about manufacture of pickles, a distributor...bingo distributor of pickles, and if you would look at that column and right at the top of it, if you are licensed as one of these, then you can be licensed as one of the others across the top. And that's where you have the yes, no, yes, no, in there because it lays out for you what the limitations would be with regard to licensing ability or cross-licensing, if you will, under the amendment. That's one of the provisions in there. The second provision deals with the licensing fee for the manufacturers, makes it be renewed annually and sets a fee at \$1,525. It allows for the fee to be waived if the applicant has paid the fee to obtain a pickle card license at the same time. The third, fourth and fifth and also the second to the last provisions on the handout that I gave you are record keeping requirements. Basically, it requires that records be maintained on the part of the manufacturers, the distributors and allows for the Department of Revenue to have some information although they will retain it as confidential