

gambling scheme that you were talking about? With plumbers, he says. Well, if it's plumbers, it's high class. And I would with that, then, just ask the body to move the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Discussion on the advancement of 767, Senator Schmit, Senator Rod Johnson on deck.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I think Senator Lynch accurately reflected a pretty good synopsis of the situation as it exists today relative to gambling. I could not allow a little bit of an opportunity to pass by, but I would suggest that maybe the General Affairs Committee ought to take a look at how the State of Iowa regulates their lottery and some of their gambling. I believe they have a very commendable situation in place. They have a very tight system. It is well regulated. It is well controlled. It is licensed and I believe that it has a maximum amount of return to the public entity, in this case, the state, and perhaps the lowest cost operation of anything you can find. I think that Senator Lynch also touched perhaps upon something which is a little sensitive, and that is the vast amount of illegal gambling that still persists in this state, but, of course, we choose to ignore that and will continue to do so, I am sure, unless Senator Chambers happens to be successful with his proposal for sport betting. It is kind of interesting, of course, and I just want to reminisce a bit because I mentioned earlier the success of simulcasting, and I read the press with some substantial amount of interest as a result of the first day of simulcasting, interstate simulcasting on the Kentucky Derby, and without exception, the success was described in glowing terms and it always referred to the amount of the handle. Now as Senator Lynch has pointed out, the thoroughbred racing is good gambling, and so if you bet \$2.5 million or 2.3 or 4 million dollars on a race horse or a horse race, that is good gambling and it is a success. Now if you happen to bet that on pickles, I don't know if it is or not. If you happen to bet it on a lottery, I don't know either. We just this morning decided that small gambling in the case of a particular type of lottery operation was not good. I don't know if it is small gambling, or a small operation, or a less influential individual, but I think that the time will come when there will be attempts made, and maybe we will have to go through another cycle in horse racing, maybe as the competition from surrounding states becomes more intense and as horse racing, if it ever gets into difficulty again, and I assume it will unless thoroughbred racing conforms to the facts of life