

to cover the cost and (b) flows any revenue over and above that into the General Fund. If you look at the handout again that we've passed out to you and you look at page 4 of that, we get into the pickle history, and it shows the change in the tax rates, and down at the bottom it shows the tax receipts that were collected. And it shows the rise and then ends in 1988 where the taxes collected total over \$6.5 million. Well, with this reduction in tax, that very likely is going to take a hit and the hit is estimated to be approximately \$750,000 over the '90-91...excuse me, \$550,000 over the '90-91 and approximately, and these are figures from the Fiscal Office of the Legislature, a little over \$825,000 for '91-92. That takes into consideration no growth in the area of pickle card sales. It takes in none of the increases that have taken place. If you look at that same page 4 again, as I showed you, from approximately 1986 through 1988, we do not have figures yet at the time this was compiled for 1989, but we would clearly be well ahead of what we had anticipated in the past. What we found out was that through the regulation and oversight we collected, basically, more tax. We have fewer outlets, yes, and that we think will be reflected in the '89 figures, but we will clearly have enough money to pay for the Gaming Division in the Department of Revenue, but there will be an impact on the General Fund. There will be approximately a half a million dollars in the '90-91 year, because if you look at the committee amendments as they are drafted, these provisions in both the bingo and the pickle do not take place until October 1. The change would not take place until October 1. That is a date at which all the licenses come due and are renewed by the Gaming Division of the Department of Revenue. In order to implement the change, we structured it so that it would fall in line with the new year under their organizational structure and that is an October 1 date, so it would be an October 1990 date that these changes would take place. So that first dollar figure, \$550,000, reflects only three-quarters of the year. The balance, then, the \$800,000 figure would be for a full fiscal year for the state that would be lost to the General Fund. With that, Mr. President, I would urge adoption of the second portion of the committee amendments.

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

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you...thank you, Mr. President, and members. I would like to speak about two things that haven't