

County and any other county with a population less than 300,000 are not...there's no change. Everything is remaining the same as it has in the past regarding the city or village and the local option as far as keno is concerned. And so, with that, I would ask for the body's support in adopting the committee amendments. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: You've heard Senator Smith's closing on the committee amendments. We will now proceed to vote on the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the committee amendments to LB 795. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? We are voting on the committee amendments to LB 795. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? We're voting on the committee amendments to LB 795. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER BAACK: The committee amendments are adopted. We will now go to the bill as amended. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. LB 795, as it has been amended, does really three things, one and then a couple subsections of that singular purpose. The purpose behind the bill is to allow the county to operate a keno game, a local option lottery, if you will, that has taken the form of keno everywhere else, within their boundaries. Whether those boundaries happen to encompass a city, city of the first class, in this case it's for a county with 300,000 plus population, so it's limited to Douglas County as well. It limits the satellites to five, as amended by Senator Withem, and it also limits the expenditure amount, without a vote of the people, to \$5 million, as amended by Senator Ashford et al. The issue here goes back to really 1978, when the county got a piece of the bingo tax that was collected at the local level from the cities. Then in 1983, the city came in and disallowed the county from running a game in incorporated limits of a municipality. Then the county came back, in 1986, and removed that restriction and let them...allowed themselves to operate a local option lottery within the county jurisdiction, no matter what those be. Then the cities came back, in 1989, and they had the hand up, passed the...in LB 767, the language that we currently have in statute and that the local option lottery proposal not be available to counties within the city limits of a city that was within that