

that's going to make it a lot more fair for all of the race tracks. I met with the commission, I think, three times this session already where they think they have to have more funds. And I think I kind of agree after listening to them that they probably do need the extra 20 to 30,000. So I think this is probably a way to go since we have simulcasting now and they have to be at these race tracks a lot more, that it's something we probably need to do to help the commission. So I would support the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Senator Hartnett, on the amendment.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, if I could ask Senator Smith a question.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Smith, would you respond, please.

SENATOR HARTNETT: I think maybe Senator Schellpeper maybe answered. That...that's only 20 to \$30,000 over the racing season? That wasn't clear on your...

SENATOR SMITH: No.

SENATOR HARTNETT: ...handout number 2. That's...

SENATOR SMITH: Are you speaking to me, Senator?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yes, I'm speaking to you.

SENATOR SMITH: It's anticipated that this will only bring in 20 to 30,000 additional dollars to their budget by the increase in the fees because of the fact that this is going to tide them over, we hope, until we can actually deal with the whole issue of their budget.

SENATOR HARTNETT: But it's just 20 to \$30,000 over the whole racing season?

SENATOR SMITH: Yes, that's all that they can expect to bring in.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yeah, thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Senator Smith,