

of...based...the median spent, because you have to average it out, is \$134 versus those who had \$50,000 or more as income, who spent \$242 as the median. So that has been refuted in other information, but in addition to that in this study for Nebraskans. A separate analysis showed that single people, at the lowest and highest levels of income, spent a larger percent of their income on gambling than those who were married. And I think maybe that tells us something then, a difference in what we historically thought, too. We thought that parents, low income families, we have to give them a little more credit maybe than what we've been giving them in the past, that they spend their money hoping for that one time opportunity to get rich, and that's why they spend all their dollars, those in the low income families, and they're spending those dollars doing that instead of taking care of their families. This study shows that in Nebraska that is not the case, that those with families do not spend near the amount of money that single people do, no matter what the category of income is. And it's been mentioned also on the floor here that there's a lot of illegal gambling in Nebraska. I have been told that by a number of different people, and in fact it has reached the extent that we have decided, in the General Affairs Committee, that we are going to conduct an interim study on this very issue. We're going to look at illegal gambling in Nebraska. We're going to come up with some measures to deal with that. We're not establishing a precedent. This has been done many times, past and recently. And you know I mentioned the last time I stood up and talked about the fact that we have allowed, with a constitutional amendment to allow horse racing in Nebraska. It's funny that some people in here, who are against gambling, don't look, evidently, at horse racing as being gambling. They separate it somehow in their minds. It is gambling, and in fact it's included in every study that you ever look at as far as gambling is concerned. So, if you're going to be voting against this and supporting horse racing, you're sending a couple of different messages, I think. We have just recently voted on a number of constitutional provisions to let the people help us decide what to do in this body, local economic development, postsecondary education, simulcasting, another form of gambling which we allowed for the horse racing industry just recently,...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR SMITH: ...right to bear arms, appeals court, bingo in 1958, lotteries in 1968. It's argued that we don't need a