

are going to reap millions of dollars to establish an office here in the State of Nebraska. That's the difference between that bill and this proposal that deals with the ticket lottery, that's all. The difference is millions of dollars. The question is, currently we have individuals who operate in this capacity. They are called printers and that's all they do, they print, but there is very few of them who currently print this type of material, either the pickle cards, the bingo sheets or in this case lottery tickets whether they be scratch off or the kind that would come out of a machine. And all we're doing here by striking this amendment, we're not voting for this amendment, is not saying that we don't want to give preference to individuals who live in the state. What we're doing is saying that we're not going to prohibit other individuals from bidding on it. If you don't strike this portion of the amendment, what you do is say that you're only going to have people from within the state bid on it. When the pool of those individuals who can bid on it is very limited, and I guarantee you in this case it is very limited because it takes special equipment, those individuals who will bid on it are less than a handful, you are forced to accept whatever their bids are because they in effect have locked it up. They will bid against each other, yes. I would question as to whether or not there is even a handful, there are very few anyway, and you are then subject to accept whatever bid they have because no one else is going to go about the process of saying, look, in order to bid on this we have to find some brick and mortar, establish a shop here, a permanent office, if you will, and they have been functioning for years as it may be across a river, across a border within reasonable driving distance in order to procure the goods, provide them to the state and function in a, what I would call a very healthy competitive bid atmosphere. What my bill did in 805 is say this is a whole new industry, this is a whole new industry in video lottery. We are going to raise, would have, raised millions of dollars. There are going to be millions of dollars of equipment out there. Those individuals, because of the nature of the business, should have an office here in the state. Absolutely. This is a different topic. It's totally different. It's not a new industry, a new growth operation where you're going to be seeing millions of dollars that are generated in a whole new industry to one bidder which is the way it was set out. There was only one bidder who was going to receive that contract in that case. In that case, sure they ought to be required to come into the state. This is different subject. It's a totally different issue in terms of people who are currently already