

the Department of Revenue ought to be doing that rather than the present hodgepodge of a dozen different printers dumping their wares onto the State of Nebraska. It's like trying to keep track of lice in a hen house, you can't do it, and you encourage corruption, you encourage all sorts of other problems. And, as I said, I think the amendment is inconsequential. I agree with some of what Senator Warner said. I think it's...you ought to get the best deal you can get, and I think that most of all the process which we are following at the present time is bad. I'm embarrassed and I'm amazed that the Department of Revenue has not come forward and asked that they be placed in charge of the distribution of pickles. They know it works in Iowa, and it encourages integrity of the system. Instead we have encouraged a proliferation of suppliers, and therefore we're going to encourage dishonesty and lack of accountability in the system. It's bad enough as it is, it's going to get worse. I do not know if I'll have my amendment here in time to offer it or not, but if it comes by we'll offer it, and I'll have more to say on the subject at that time.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Does anyone else wish to speak to this amendment? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Lynch?

SENATOR LYNCH: Madam Chairman and members, this is different. I agree with Senator Warner, some of what Senator Schmit said, about developing standards that may impose some kind of reciprocity from other states. It's interesting, if a Nebraskan goes and buys a pickle, or plays a video slot in South Dakota or in Iowa, whose standards in that state are they expected to live by? It's those standards developed in that state. The money developed from this kind of gambling, from this source of funds, which some of you don't like, and some could care less about, generally is going to be distributed for Nebraska purposes, for education, or for any other potential cause that might serve Nebraskans, so it's unique for that matter. We're not doing something here that's important for interstate commerce, we're doing this because it's important to Nebraska commerce. Nebraska commerce is Nebraska companies. I don't think we have anything to fear with this at all. This is gambling, it's whose going to print the paper you're going to gamble on, the money developed from that source of gambling is going to go to Nebraskans, unless one of you have an idea to give it back to South Dakota or Iowa or somebody, I'm not sure, but I don't think so. So, in that sense, I respectfully suggest that it is