

going to allow for special kinds of projects. It has never been my intent to use lottery proceeds to supplement the budget. They should be specifically designated for one-time kinds of projects. That is exactly where they ought to go. They shouldn't go to augment budgets, and to pick up shortfalls as it relates to deficits. They ought to be spent on those special kinds of things that we can't raise state tax dollars to purchase or to pay for or to fund. This is exactly what a lottery ought to be used for. All we do through this amendment that I offer, and that Senator Smith tries to strip, is allow the Legislature the flexibility and the latitude that I feel they need. I'd urge you to reject Senator Smith's amendment.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, may I ask Senator Hall a question. Thank you.

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Hall, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR HALL: Yes.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I was curious as to your comment about that there is a difference between sales and income tax money and lottery money, and the distinction, and why the distinction makes the difference. It seems to me that whether it is lottery proceeds, which people voluntarily pay, but they realize that part of that money that they are going to invest is going to go to the state, and so that is government, in effect, taking money, people knowing that they are giving that money to the state. People also knowing that when they earn a wage and have money withheld from them, that that money is going to the state, or whether we do it through buying a gallon of gas knowing that we are going to pay part of that tax money as a tax. All of that money really is money which comes from individuals into the government or into the state, and I understand that the distinction is that in a lottery I don't have to play. In other words, I am voluntarily giving it, although I am probably doing it for the motivation of winning, and not for funding government, but why is that distinction a difference that should warrant the difference in special legislation, because to me it is all the same money that the government reaps from individuals?

SENATOR HALL: Senator Kristensen, the difference for my