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purposes is that you have a sales and income tax in place and you have these three provisions of the Constitution that prevent them from going to special types of legislation, to lending of the credit of the state. Where in this case, we don't have a lottery. We don't have lottery proceeds. We are in the process right now of establishing that. We are setting the ground rules by which those proceeds are going to be used. What I do through my amendment and what Senator Smith tries to strip out is a provision that says we treat them differently. Absolutely, it is a policy decision, a question that has to be answered by the Legislature, and Senator Smith rightly puts it before us. I urge you to reject it, but there is clearly a difference because we are not on line for a lottery. We are not raising these revenues right now. We can determine at this point how we want to treat those. I offer one way on how to treat those, and that is to give the Legislature the ability to determine it without any limitation as it relates to sales tax and income tax revenues.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. Senator Hillman.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Senator Hall, in looking at lines 3 through 6, and looking at the type of lottery game, does this now take out all limitations as far as what type of a lottery we can have?

SENATOR LANDIS: Will the senator yield to a question?

SENATOR HALL: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. Senator Hillman, there is in the current LR 24CA, as it is drafted, there is no limitation on the type of game that can be played. There is no built in limitation in terms of whether it be on line, whether it be ticket, whether it be video. The limitation on videos is in LB 849.

SENATOR HILLMAN: So, the ultimate...

SENATOR HALL: And I do not change that from the original draft, no.

SENATOR HILLMAN: But we could change the type of lottery any time we wanted to because...

SENATOR HALL: Statutorily, that could be changed, yes.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Okay, thank you.