

of Commonwealth, State Securities, places like that. I think this is, obviously is much narrower than the Hall amendment. It separates the questions, which is appealing to me, because I don't want the question of a lottery to rise or fall on a specific constitutional provision. So this would allow the people to decide between these, and I think if the people of the State of Nebraska feel that they want to reimburse the failed institutions' depositors, they should have that right to decide that on the ballot. I would support this amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Will. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Madam Chair. I wonder if Senator Beutler would respond to a question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Beutler, a question from Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Senator Beutler, I just want to clarify and hear from you exactly how this will work. As it has been described so far, I am envisioning when I go to vote on constitutional amendments there will be Proposition 1, do you want a state lottery, and I will vote yes or no. I will vote yes, actually. Then, Proposition 2, entirely separate, will be the question of if we establish a lottery, shall we be allowed to use it to reimburse depositors, and I could vote yes or no on that?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Which probably would be yes, also.

SENATOR WITHEM: Oh, yeah, I would assume it would be the right vote also.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I think your outline of how it would work is precisely as we can tell.

SENATOR WITHEM: Okay, so it would be possible for the lottery to pass and this not to pass, or in theory, I guess, vice versa, although there wouldn't be any (interruption)...

SENATOR BEUTLER: It could go either way but, of course, you couldn't do anything...

SENATOR WITHEM: Right.