

part of citizens than I think maybe they're being given credit for. I don't run into very many people, even those who are...a handful are opposed and take the position that the people who invested in that, that it's their risk and there was no obligation. But those same people, had then been involved and had they took at face value what they ought to have been entitled to take at face value, as a ward of the state, meant something, would have I am sure feel differently than they do because they weren't affected. They also didn't want General Fund money to be used. I think this is an option that ought to be placed on the ballot. I'm inclined, and those who do not want it in the Constitution, it will take it out itself by the Chambers amendment, if that is adopted. It will be self-implementing as far as its elimination and I think it's a good, very reasonable solution to the problem and obviously as others have already said, those who do not want to put something in the Constitution, this takes it out, but there is no way to solve it other than working with the Constitution in its limited way and I would hope that the body would support Senator Chambers' amendment and also support the amendment as amended then.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Warner. Senator Crosby, do you wish to speak to the Chambers amendment?

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam President and members, just briefly, I like the way Senator Warner has changed this amendment because I agree with him that for those of you who do not think it should be in the Constitution forever, this is a way for it to self-destruct. The other thing, I think what Senator Landis said could bear repeating, that you shouldn't underestimate the intelligence of the electorate. I think 99.9 percent of them can read and I think his point about the last election on that lottery is a very good point that they did pay attention and they do pay attention and I think most of them know what they're voting for or against. So I naturally am always for anything that will help the depositors and so I will vote for this and I don't know how many people in this Legislature want the lottery, but you will not have my vote for it unless there is some relief for the depositors in it. I will yield the rest of my time to Senator Schimek. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Madam President and members of the body, I am going to in turn yield my time to Senator Bernard-Stevens because I think everybody knows how I