

asking that you allow the people of the state to vote on whether lottery proceeds should be used or could be used to reimburse the depositors. And very importantly, we are asking that you allow that to be done in such a manner that it is voted upon separately from the state lottery. There would be one ballot on the proposition for the state...on the ballot for the state lottery and a completely separate one for Commonwealth. It will go on the ballot in November of 1992, so between now and November of 1992 those of us who are concerned about the Commonwealth, American Savings, State Security matters will simply be waiting for the people to speak. And I think that before vote there is nothing more to be done and after that vote there may be something more to be done or there may be nothing at all left to do. In any event, I think it means one thing to people when their judges say that this is so or this is not so and it means another thing to them when their Legislature or their representatives say this is so or this is not so or this should be so or should not be so. But I think it means a completely different and more important thing to people when their peers, when their fellow citizens, when Nebraskans together make a decision about a matter and in particular about a matter that is so close and personal to them. I think they will accept that decision. I think they will accept that decision. Certainly the people of the state are well aware of the situation, well aware of the arguments that have been made now for eight long years. Nobody can say the people of the state didn't know what they were voting on. They most certainly will know what they're voting on, and the finality of that kind of judgment is necessary. It's necessary to heal some wounds or this thing will go on and on and I think they deserve it. I think they deserve it very much. They feel very sincerely and they feel very honestly that they were wronged and however you may feel and however you may think their constituents feel, maybe they were, maybe they weren't, but they deserve their day before the people. There aren't a lot of people here today. For those of you who may be on the edge on this particular matter, I hope you will give us the benefit of the doubt, not for the Lincoln senators, but for the people who have been hurt by the whole fiasco of the inadequate guarantee fund and who have lost their life savings and who, I think as a minimum at least deserve the judgment of the people. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Beutler. We will now vote on the Beutler amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted on the