

liquor establishment within 640 feet or 40 rods of your county fairgrounds, they cannot operate. And so you are...would be, really shutting down some private business see if we left it as it is. So we are going to strike that. And also, we have some county fair boards currently that are in a city that has approved a keno and so in order to have that at the county fairgrounds, we also need to add that section to this language now. So that doesn't...that won't say that they...they can have it, but if that community that they're in, or that county, if they have it, then they could have it at their county fairgrounds through the auspices of whoever else had it in that vicinity. They couldn't do it themselves, but if there's somebody else there in that area, then they could work through them. So this...what it does, it lets them do really what they are doing right now. We didn't want to put any language in here that would be mainly just for one certain county, so we thought it would be much better to just make it so that all county ag societies...or county fair boards could so the same thing. So I think it...it cleans up some language and it also makes...it spells out into law really what they can do now rather than have them try to get around the law. I'd be glad to answer any questions. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Thank you, Madam Chair. I guess I have a question of Senator Schellpeper, if he would yield.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Sure will.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator, I'm looking at your amendment, AM2365, which you have placed on our desk this morning. And I...I'm a bit concerned about lines five and six where you have...you struck the language which prohibits the selling of intoxicating liquors, wine or beer. I guess I'm worried about that because the...the county fairs in most of rural Nebraska are really 4-H fairs. They're concerned primarily with 4-H, which has to do, as you know, with young...young...young children in grade school and high school. And I guess I hate to see the temptation for turning those county fairs into something less wholesome than they have been in the past. I understand the problem with...that you explained to me privately about some of these county fairs that have racing, but I would like to see some sort of language in here which would keep the county fairs much as they are in regard to liquor sales, with the possible