

property, entitlement or any interest in property, is merely a personal privilege. And you touched on this in your opening dealing with the question of due process on liquor licenses. Is it your intent that this constitutional amendment would remove the due process protections for liquor license holders?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: No, sir.

SENATOR LINDSAY: And if it's necessary to put some clarifying or add clarifying language at Select, would you have any problem doing that?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Personally I would not. I can't speak for what the League of Municipality may feel about that, but I don't think that anyone is trying to deny any individual his or her due process. So I would not be opposed to looking at language to protect that.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Senator Johnson. With that understanding, I will vote against the IPP motion. That is a concern, something that could be addressed within the legislative resolution to make sure that we don't have arbitrary revocations of licenses or licenses that are stripped from license holders purely on a personal level or a level that does not comport with statute. I want to make sure we have at least those minimal protections in there for the license holders. We'll be hopefully working on language between now and Select if the legislative resolution does advance, but I will be voting against the IPP.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Senator Will followed by Senators Hefner, Wickersham and Cudaback. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I want to make clear one thing and that is I am not opposed to local control when it comes to issues like liquor licenses. Certainly from community to community and even in different areas within a community as large as Omaha there are different standards as to who should have a license, as to how many licenses there should be, as to what types of licenses there ought to be. My objection is to constitutionally recognizing something as specific as LR 9 does, going in and saying that municipalities have this power in the Constitution. Because the fact of the matter is we need to have state oversight and you