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all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Moore's amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Schimek would move to amend the bill.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Madam President and members of the body, what I want to do here is move to strike the Moore amendment which we adopted the other day, which what I read to you earlier this morning that says that any establishment having a license issued under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act for the sale of alcoholic liquor consumption on the premises would be exempt. Madam President and members of the body, I am not sure that we knew exactly what we were doing the other day when we adopted this amendment. And, frankly, it is very difficult to find out what we were doing when we adopted this amendment the other day. Since its adoption, my staff has been trying to find out how many vending machines this would actually effect and there is no central repository of information to find out how many vending machines there are, how many are in liquor establishments, and so forth. What I have to share with you today would simply be a portion of those vending machines, and I am going to ask you to maybe use your imagination and extrapolate this information and put it on a statewide basis. I do have the figures for one vendor, and that vendor has a total of 200 cigarette machines in the State of Nebraska. Of those 200 machines, 46 of them are not open to the public, so they would be exempted by the committee amendment as originally offered. These would be offices and factories and so forth where only adults are working. That leaves 154 machines. Of those 154, 52 of them are in establishments that have liquor licenses and 9 of them are in restaurants which have no liquor licenses. The others are all public machines. So that means, as I read this, that least for this one vendor, only about 50 percent of the machines that are out in the State of Nebraska would be removed by the bill, approximately 100, give or take a few. Now I don't know that you could necessarily say that applies to all vendors, but it is the only figures that we have, and it is the only thing that I can offer you at this point. My argument today is if we