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the taxpayers any money, it's all going to come, you know, it's going to be pay as you go or something like that. I think we're, you know, I have a hard time believing it, but maybe you can explain it.

SENATOR WILL: Well, the county board has indicated that they do not intend to use any property tax dollars in this purchase. They've been adamant on that point. They have stated that they want to use the proceeds from racing, once they own Ak-Sar-Ben, once they own the race track facility, and also proceeds from keno, in order to pay off these bonds.

SENATOR HARTNETT: So how much will that be...the bonds will be...what did they pay for Ak-Sar-Ben, do you know?

SENATOR WILL: I think they're paying \$25 million for Ak-Sar-Ben, 15 million of which is going to be in the form of bonds, if I remember correctly.

SENATOR HARTNETT: How much?

SENATOR WILL: Fifteen million.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Fifteen million. Okay, thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Senator Schmit, you're next. I don't see Senator Schmit. Senator Will, you're next.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I just thought I'd address a couple of the issues that have been raised. Number one, I can understand Senator Landis's frustration with this bill not coming before the Revenue Committee. Obviously, I've been associated with the Revenue Committee as a senator and a staff person for a number of years now, and these issues have repeatedly come before the Revenue Committee. And, typically, any tax change has been considered by that committee and has been worked out with the knowledge and assistance of that committee. I can understand, as a member of that committee also, his frustration at a tax bill coming up on General File almost halfway through the session without having had a hearing. But I think that this...the need for this bill became obvious through a process that involved the racing industry. And it certainly is not as if this is an issue that's new to the body, or that's new to the members of the Revenue