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opportunity to get some of that money back to the people in an appropriate fashion and I agree with Senator Abboud and Senator Moore in that...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...theory. Where that money should go I guess is a matter of discussion and further debate, but I certainly agree with the philosophy that both Senator Moore and Senator Abboud are proposing and I hope that we, as a body, have the fortitude to balance the scales here and get the money, some money back to the taxpayers out of this process. It's...remember this is keno money that was used, is being used to subsidize horse racing. This is not independent keno operation. This is money that is being used to subsidize horse racing so we have an opportunity to equalize the process here and I support the Abboud amendment and the philosophy of the Senator Moore's amendment to his amendment. Thank you.

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

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Madam President and members, I think what Senator Moore is attempting to do is to take funds, I know he's attempting to take some funds that are supposed to go to an industry that is having a hard time at the present time. Senator Abboud's motion to begin with is in the court system because the cities have filed suit and I think that those dollars are there. The court needs to decide what happens with the cities. Now the state has proposed to raise the tax on keno before and I think they probably should do that. I don't think that Nebraska as a whole gets enough money out of gambling that we should compared to other states and we probably need to have a bigger percentage that goes to the State of Nebraska. But at the present time the bill that we are debating, the funds right now are tied up in the courts and I don't think we should be using it at the present time to come in and say the state needs more funds. Let's come in next year and raise the fee on a lot of the lotteries, the keno because as I said I don't think Nebraska is getting a fair share compared to other states. There is a lot of dollars bet in Nebraska. In 1991 there was \$316 million bet on gambling issues in Nebraska, \$316 million. That's a lot of dollars bet in this state on gambling issues. I don't think the State of Nebraska is receiving what we should, our percentage, out of that \$316 million. So we need to take a