

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I thought you said it would, seriously. I thought you said this money was to go to fund the Racing Commission.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: No, this is the...this money here was strictly going to go now...well, with this amendment it will go strictly to quarter horse.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But without this amendment, what was it supposed to be used for?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Then it will go to help fund the Racing Commission, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. So, did you have this amendment in mind when you would need this money, when you felt that Senator Robak's amendment was too expensive by adding two more commissioners?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: I made the statement this morning that I would bring this amendment this afternoon, and that's why I brought it this afternoon, because the quarter horse people wanted to have one more shot at quarter horse racing. And I said I would bring an amendment to give them the money that was in their fund, from 1991, and that's what the \$53,000 are.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I think somebody dropped a hint, but I'm not going to accept it. (Laughter.) Senator Schellpeper, has there been horse rac...I mean quarter horse racing in Nebraska for any period of time?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yes, they've been having it at several different tracks in Broken Bow, and at...also in Hastings, and in Deshler.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And what makes people wonder whether or not it can be a money making proposition? Have these quarter horse operations been producing profit at these other tracks?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: No, they haven't been.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So, why send good money after bad again?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: They wanted one more change to prove that