

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I'll tell you all why I'm trying to get these things into the record. We're going to have elections in Douglas County. We're going to have more conversations in Omaha about all of these gambling operations. You all read where keno, a keno game was fixed and an employee is now under a felony charge for theft by fraud. There's stealing in keno. The racetrack is going to have the Legislature help them steal from the public down here. And you all are going for all of this in a city whose administration, part of it, in terms of city council members, will think that when you've caught a gambling operation where there is fixing and stealing of money, and the ones running it find out about it and don't tell the city, people on the city council are saying it would be too harsh to shut them down. What is the worst thing that can be done in a gambling operation? Cheating, fixing the game. There's nothing worse in gambling than that that you can do. And if you think that's not true, go out on the street and get in a crap game with somebody, or even on the tables in Las Vegas and you cheat. They are so sensitive to cheating, they won't let you blow on the dice, because some people will have a dice in their mouth, or a die, and they'll switch it. And if you begin to hit too many times, they take those dice and give you another pair. You don't bring your dice to the table. But Omaha has such control over these senators, or the law firms that have put this deal together, or the people who are being bailed out from Ak-Sar-Ben, that they can get us to ignore all principles, all considerations of good policy and do this kind of thing. Then when there is an article that shows where the county board is transferring money from other funds, one of the funds that relates to an issue dear to Senator Morrissey's heart, landfill operation, and they're taking money from that to bail out this gambling operation, after saying they wouldn't use tax money. And the Legislature is going to go for it? And poor Senator Will has to be a mind reader and say, well, they meant that they wouldn't spend the tax money and not pay it back. They didn't say we're going to borrow the money from other accounts. This matter, I think, is one of the most serious things that has come before us this session because it relates to the integrity of a governmental operation itself. We're not talking about people out on the street, we're not even talking about the gamblers, and we're not even talking about those elitists who want to be bailed out, we're talking about the elected representatives of Douglas County misrepresenting. What other funds will they raid to get money from, to make