

make some comments. I will be candid with you, I think that the chances of this motion succeeding are very slim at this point. But I would like to allow Senator Lindsay to make some comments with the rest of my time, and I know there are some people on the floor that would like to make comments on this issue. Again I would encourage you to be brief. I think this is an issue that we can decide on an up or down vote. While I think the issue itself needs a good deal of discussion, I think the reconsideration motion can probably be handled in fairly brief fashion. So, with that, I would give any time I have left to Senator Lindsay.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Lindsay, you have five minutes.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President, members. I just wanted to create a record, I guess, on my position on this bill. I am... I did not vote the first time around and the reason was I've got mixed feelings. I don't like the concept of expanding gambling in the state, but I'm also a realist and the reality is that we're losing a lot of dollars, and I suspect Tim Hall is probably going to give us a little closer idea of how many dollars, losing a lot of dollars in border bleeding that's going on around the state. Because those dollars are being lost we don't have the, just to use a term that you'd understand, Cap, the...with those dollars being lost we're going to have the ills or whatever that gambling is going to bring with it, but we're not going to have the revenue to handle those ills. Most of that is going to fall down to the counties. And what I would have done and one of my concerns with the bill as drafted, what I would have done and what I would seek to do next year is to designate that all the dollars that are raised be used for long-term property tax relief and to handle some of the increased costs that I think the locals are going to have with the additional social service type of activities that they're going to need. With that, I guess I would concur with Senator Will, know which way the wind is blowing, the votes aren't there, but just wanted to make a record for my position on the issue. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President, members. I appreciate Senator Will and Senator Lindsay offering this motion, but if it comes to a vote I'm going to vote no. And that's because the measure as it was dealt with, with the body