

more than 1 percent that we get from lottery but 2, 3, 4 and 5 percent to go into working with the compulsive gamblers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Pedersen, have you had any exposure to Thomistic or Jesuit instruction?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: No, Senator Chambers, I haven't.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, okay. Do you believe that the end justifies the means, that if you can get in the end what it is that you want, even if you use an illegitimate means to get there, the end is so desirable that it makes good the illegitimate means you used to get there?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: No. I do not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You don't believe that? Well, then how when you tell me that you voted for a societal evil can you justify it in any sense? And the reason I'm asking you because you have been a counselor and you understand these things so if you, who understand, will do things to increase compulsive gambling, how can you expect other people who don't understand to even be sympathetic with compulsive gamblers?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Because I believe it's already here.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And what Senator Pedersen said makes no moral sense whatsoever. Senator Pedersen is in that position that some people describe as being between a rock and a boulder. He knows that what he voted for...

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SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...was wrong. He cannot justify it but he just got caught up in it and went along with that in the legislative sense in the same way that a compulsive gambler gets caught up in gambling and is just carried away and does things that are irrational. If anybody else had stood on the floor and answered the way Senator Pedersen did, I would just chalk it off as their not having a genuine understanding of the nature of compulsive gambling. That is a term that designates people who really, based on the studies undertaken, cannot help themselves. They're unable. They run up large tabs. They get in serious