

\$180,000 in the Compulsive Gambling Fund; 1 percent, I mean, 1 percent of that can be used, comes up with that, and 10 percent of that comes out to \$18,000 a year.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, and I didn't phrase the question as I should have. Where does the money come from which goes into that Compulsive Gambling Fund?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: From the lottery fund.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So in order to get that amount up to a point where 10 percent of that 1 percent will give them enough money to operate on, you have to hope that there is increased gambling to produce more gambling revenue, isn't that correct?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Before you can live on the 10 percent, that's correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So on the one hand, while you have this fund that you've created, and this program that you've created to fight against compulsive gambling, you have to push for additional gambling to get the money to fund this program, isn't that correct?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: That would be correct, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that makes sense to you? Thank you, Senator Pedersen. Members of the Legislature, I was going to try not to say anything, but this whole question is being discussed as though it is like any other matter where we spend money to achieve a purpose by receiving services that result in some good for the public. But with the funding structure set up, those who favor this program, those who work in this program have to do everything they can and encourage every...every activity which they can that leads to more gambling. The only way the money in that Compulsive Gamblers Fund will be increased is if more gambling takes place, brings in more revenue from the suckers, so that more actual dollars from that gambling can go into this Compulsive Gambling Fund. So to draw a parallel, if I can, or an analogy, because it won't work all the way down the line. Say we have a serious problem with alcoholism in this society. I am not talking about casual drinking, I mean where a person is addicted to the alcohol. So the state sets up a program to help those who have alcoholism as a problem. Then the state builds a distillery and says we have to sell more and