

of all...maybe you were right, Ernie. Maybe you are so dumb, you are so stupid, you are such boobs, you are such sops that you are not going to vote intelligently, so we are going to protect you against that. You dummies out there, we are not going to give you the chance to do anything like this. Think about that. I think that is terrible. That is absolutely terrible. Don't bring anything, well, I will tell you, anything, any bill that comes out here to the floor that is like this, the things to do with the county-county or city-county merger, I've never done it before in all the years I've been here, but I think I'm starting to learn from Ernie and some others how I can get my light on and use the rules. I used to be Chairman of the Rules. We could keep it going for a few days, or weeks, at least eight hours every hearing, but gambling is the important issue. People ought to have a right to say what they think they want us to do. Think about this, if they supported it, they could even show you that they have some trust in you after all. Isn't that interesting? That would be interesting. So, thank you very much.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Lynch. For discussion on the Lynch amendment to the bracket motion, Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. I am going to be brief and then I will yield the rest of my time to Senator Will. In fact I was trying to decide whether I should say anything at all at this point because the picture kept changing and I wasn't sure what we were voting on, or what we were discussing, or what we should even be thinking about, but Senator Lynch in some of his remarks brought me back to an issue that I think is important for this body to consider. I think most of you have in your desks a copy of the State Constitution. If you will turn to page 14 and simply look at page 14, in subsection (4) of Section 24, you will see how often the people of the state of Nebraska have had an opportunity to speak to the issue of gambling in the state of Nebraska. And in case you are wondering about the history of any of those amendments that you can see that were adopted in 1934, 1958, 1962, 1968, 1988, that's one I had an opportunity to vote on, 1992, another one I had an opportunity to vote on, you will begin to wonder why there is such opposition to now submitting this issue one more time to the people of the state of Nebraska. And in case you are wondering about the issue that was addressed in 1934, that wasn't an issue that came from the Legislature at all. That was