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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The amendment is not adopted. The call is raised.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment is by Senator Kiel. (See AM0965 on pages 1163-1164 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Kiel, you're recognized to open on your amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR KIEL: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I had laid out my objections to this bill earlier. One of which, of course, was that I don't think we ought to set out separate funding streams for different educational programs in the state, that school districts ought to rely upon state aid that we provide them, and their other sources of revenue. But this one speaks to what I had said earlier also, and that is I said I think this sends a bad message to youngsters, and in a general sense a bad message to people in the state of Nebraska, and that is, please gamble so that we can fund our educational programs with your gambling proceeds. So what this amendment simply does is says that "No paid advertisement or promotion of lottery games shall refer to educational programs created or funded from revenue generated by such lottery games pursuant to the State Lottery Act in Nebraska." The intent here is to not allow, if this bill happens to go forward, and quite frankly to talk about all educational programs that are funded by the lottery, to not allow them to be mentioned in various TV commercials, radio commercials, and print advertisement that encourage people to gamble so that educational programs can be funded. This is fairly clear. It simply says that we won't talk about the education programs that are funded from gambling money. And if people who want to fund these programs with gambling money want to proceed in this manner, then I want to insure that we don't send that message out to the youngsters and people in Nebraska that they ought to gamble in order to fund education. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, Senator Kiel has a serious amendment, and I think it is a valid amendment. We know, and Senator Kremer, I can see, is