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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Have you declared a conflict of interest?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, I have.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you intend to vote on this bill nevertheless?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Senator Janssen, I have to ask you that second question.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you intend to vote on this bill?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you're going to vote for it?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Quite possibly, all depends on what shape it's in when it gets done, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If it stays in a shape that would benefit you directly financially, will you vote for it?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, I have to do that. This lottery is terrible. Do you see what it's even doing to our members? And they can get offended, everybody can get offended. Do you see what it is doing to our members? Senator Quandahl, sitting there looking as innocent as a freshly born Cupid, he sees what is being done, but he doesn't have to say it, I'll do the dirty work, Senator Quandahl. Somebody's got to do it. We don't need to talk about the damage that the lottery is doing to those who become compulsive gamblers, we can look at what it does to our members who vote for a bill that's going to benefit them directly financially. I couldn't do that, but see, that's me. I don't have religion, I'm nonjudgmental, I'm going to hell when I die, and I'll knock