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SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I wish the discussion would focus around the bill. Senator Jensen, you didn't talk about the bill. Senator Kristensen, you didn't talk about the bill. This bill is not about where the proceeds go, and, Senator Kristensen, I earlier tried to help you where the proceeds were going to go and let's try to change that direction. Senator Jensen, this isn't about the lottery. It is not about the 1 chance in a million of being struck by lightning. This is not about the lottery, the Powerball. This is about scratch tickets and, like I said, I have no great interest in this because I don't buy scratch tickets, but the issue is, do you want to have the people in the state of Nebraska, when they buy a scratch ticket, get a 53 percent return on their money, or do you want it increased to 65 percent? That's what it's about, and will that 65 percent generate more sales? They say it will. I don't know. But that's what it's about. This is not about Powerball and getting struck by lightning or winning the big prize because I don't think the big prize in this is anything more past a vehicle. That's been a big prize on scratch tickets. You might win a...well, you might win a Blazer or something like that. I'm not talking about the kind you wear, I'm talking about the kind you drive. That's the best you can do on these scratch tickets. And, Senator Kristensen, I agree with you, but it's not about where the money goes. That's going to take another bill and another time. We tried to get that out of General Affairs, forget it. The environmental people come out of the woodwork. Well, my son even E-mailed Senator Cudaback and said don't change where the lottery proceeds go, it helps Pheasants Forever. I mean they have more advocates for where this money is going than you can shake a stick at. But this is scratch tickets. It's not about where the environmental proceeds go. It's not about where the Educational Trust Money Fund goes. It's about scratch tickets. Do we increase the payout? Or do we not increase the payout? And do we give the retailers 5 cents or 6 cents for selling a ticket. I'm imagine most retailers are probably fed up with it, and if this program dies, so be it. But the purpose of this bill is to revitalize the scratch ticket games, and if you don't want to gamble in Nebraska and buy scratch tickets in Nebraska, then go to the