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amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Committee amendments are agreed to. Discussion on the advancement of LB 582? Senator Schimek, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Again, this would add to the list of exemptions from referendum and is thought...well, first of all, it would exempt out zoning regulations from referendums and it's important I think because if we don't do something like this, you could have huge, huge problems at the local level with your comprehensive plans and it would be...it would be possible for actually very few people to wreak havoc with those zoning changes if they had the kind of money that would...that would help move something like this. So I would simply ask for advancement of the bill.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Schimek. The question is the advancement to E & R Initial of LB 582. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Voting on the advancement of LB 582. Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 582.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 606 being passed over at the request of the introducer. LB 658, a bill entered by Senator Lynch. (Read title.) Bill was introduced on January 20 of last year, referred to General Affairs Committee, advanced to General File, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. To open on LB 658, Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Yeah, Mr. Lieutenant Governor and members, this is a bill that's really not too complicated. The reason for the bill is obvious. Preliminary figures from the Department of Revenue show that in Fiscal Year 98-99 it will record the fifth consecutive year of decline in total dollars wagered with charitable gaming just in Nebraska. That doesn't mean now that