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SENATOR JENSEN: Well, again here we're talking about the video type machines, and they do have these in some bars. They're unbelievable, as a matter of fact, in that it can be a gambling device, and if a law enforcement operator walks in, through a remote control they can change that device from an illegal gambling machine, like a video poker machine, to a Pac Man machine,...

SENATOR HILGERT: Sure.

SENATOR JENSEN: ...which we see. That is the type of thing that we're looking at.

SENATOR HILGERT: And I'm glad we're getting this on the record that that is only the intent and that is what we're trying to limit it to.

SENATOR JENSEN: Yes, right.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Senator Jensen. Senator Janssen, do you have a comment you would...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you respond, Senator Janssen?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Yes. Yes, Senator Hilgert, that...we are talking about a device, illegal device.

SENATOR HILGERT: Okay.

SENATOR JANSSEN: I mean you can...you can take a bunch of chicken bones and throw them out and bet on them, that's gambling. But we're not talking about chicken bones or boards, we're talking about devices here, a machine that you can pull the handle on and you have no control over that. At least if you pick a number on a board, you would have...you could argue that you would have some type of choice there. So,...

SENATOR HILGERT: Okay.

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...different situation, still against the law, different situations.