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never know just how much it's going to take in and how much it's going to put out. And I'm just concerned about putting out more money than we're going to take in. So I'm not going to support this one, and I'll probably not support the next one. But I just wanted to get my word in there, because in my area, all along the South Dakota border, there's only one town up there that really joins South Dakota that would be qualified for this two miles, and that's Whiteclay. I had calls...one person called from Valentine, says, why don't you amend it and make it ten miles so it would include Valentine? Because Valentine is nine miles from Rosebud, and they'd like to be included. But that's a concern we're going to have, putting something in our constitution. I remember one of our constitutional amendments that put in there over 1,100 words in there. And if you want to change it, even if you want to change one word, you got to have to put it out in front of the people. And that's my concern, putting something in the constitution. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Jones. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Schrock would move to amend the resolution. (AM0475, Legislative Journal page 591.)

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this is the amendment that I had filed earlier that would include racetracks, our horse tracks, as sites for casinos. Probably if I could do it a little different I would word this a little different, but that can come at a later point in time. I think the important is we have not had a good discussion on what horse...what role horse racing should play in...if we expand gambling in the state of Nebraska, and I would like to have that discussion take place. Nebraska has been betting on...has been doing parimutuel betting on racing, horse racing, in the state since 1935. It's a part of our tradition. And the racetracks have struggled somewhat. However, I would argue that, considering all the competition that we have, they've done rather well lately. Live racing has, for all purposes, practical purposes, stopped at South Sioux City and Omaha. But they do run a few races a year, just so that they can stay