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be used. That's about as serious a conflict of interest as I've ever seen here. Gambling does that. We had the Commonwealth bill years ago and I remember the video slot folks saying on this floor, tell you what we'll do, we'll vote for the Commonwealth payout if you'll vote for video slots. Commonwealth people need some remedy. You'll get it if we get the video slots. Well, not that's not unlike other things, I suppose, that's ever happened on the legislative floor, but it was just another tactic. It was another tactic a different day in which...trying to have a lottery contest and a lottery petition process that we lost a member of this sitting body with...when they pled, not "guilty," but "no contest" to a criminal charge based on a petition process trying to get a lottery on the ballot and stepped down from serving in the Legislature. I recall that as a video slot opponent my brother owned a small company that did coin-operated arcades, like pinball and the like, Pac-Man, and this association didn't want video slots and they took a position against video slots. Video slot proponents on the floor introduced a special tax for exactly this kind of situation. Forced them to organize, come down, lobby, spend time, and when they finally got this tax proposal to put them out of business stopped, after a lot of effort, little message was, you know, this was all about having taken a position against video slots. In other words, it's brought out the absolute worst in legislative ethics and practices. The combination of gambling and the Legislature has brought out, over time, at least in the past that I've had experience with, when it's been wide open, it has brought out the absolute worst in legislative ethics. I don't want this power returned to us. In fact, what I want is a rifle shot, not a shotgun, because I think history has proved that we can't handle the shotgun well.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: What we should do is outline what kind of gambling we believe in, think that would be okay for Nebraska, believe that we can control, that we can control the money. We write that. We stick it in a bill. We hand it to the populace and we say, look, here's a controlled method of gambling. And with that, I can be a proponent. I want to vote for some way to