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or participates in the benefits that casinos may bring to this state. That's pretty much it in a nutshell. I think it's concise. We heard debate that both the amendments before added too much confusion to the constitution. I think this corrects that. This amendment is...it's precise, confined. I think it makes some sense. And I support limiting the number of casinos to eight. And again, I support the amendment. And if anyone has any questions for me, if I could answer them, I'd be happy to do that. Although I did not draft the amendment, I do support it. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bourne. Senator Mines on the Janssen amendment.

SENATOR MINES: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Senator Bourne, I also rise in support of the amendment. However, I do have some questions, and would ask Senator Schimek if she would respond.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you respond, Senator Schimek, to a question from Senator Mines?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you

SENATOR MINES: Thank you, Senator. There's been great debate. And the good thing about being tenth in line is most of the questions have been answered. However, there's a question in my mind about parimutuel betting. And in fact, do you envision that casinos will also be allowed to have parimutuel betting...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: No.

SENATOR MINES: ...along with their license to offer games of chance?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: No. And I think if you'll look closely, if I can find my bill here, at the amendment, it clearly says what kinds of activities can happen in those casinos.

SENATOR MINES: But in the preceding paragraph, it said...on line 8, it says, when such wagering is conducted by licensees