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that racetracks are going to get casinos. And I'm not so sure, from somebody who works part time on the racetracks in the summer time, that racetracks want full casinos. I have no idea what they want, but my understanding was for the few I did talk to in the last couple of years that they'd like to have slot machines only to be able to compete with the gambling that's going on. I think this is too loosely done. It...I'm worried about the Native Americans, if we...as I see it, if we let a company like Venetian come in, which I have nothing against that company, but they are big and they have lots of money. And if the Native Americans build one right beside theirs, they are going to run them out of business anyway. I'm afraid the Native Americans are going to lose their...even their initial investment. All this concerns me and this amendment is not something that I thought I would...as first, when I first read it, I thought now we're going somewhere. And to look at it, and to hear about it, and talk to others, the people behind the glass and the people in here, I...it's not what I think we want at all, and I'm not going to be supportive and ask you not to be the same. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Pedersen. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, oh, how I wish that I were back in the clean black and white world that I used to be in in terms of the way I felt about this. Because I used to think that it was sufficient to say that gambling was not a good thing and that's all I had to think. And I listened to what Senator Friend said and I, to a certain extent I agree with him. I heard from those same people. A lot of those people, though, thought that they were going to cure all the problems that we are having economically in the state by virtue of this legislation, and I don't believe that that is the case at all. Now, do I believe that we can be an island and say that it's not going to impact us? No, that's not the case either. A lot of the reason I think that Senator Beutler's statistics that he gave about the vote in Iowa were the way that they were was because for them much of the money was imported. So I don't think that we can be black and white