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right to do it. They did it once. If they hadn't a fouled up on the two issues or two...whatever, two subjects, it'd be there. Now that's fine, but just keep in mind if we want any control of that then we should do it here. We should put it on the ballot, like Senator Schrock said, for the people to vote on. Let them reject it. I'm going to vote against it when it's on the ballot, but I think I will vote to put it on the ballot because I think it's the right thing to do. And I guess with that, Senator Schrock, if you have wanted your time back, you can have it.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Schrock. Senator Schrock waives. Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. And I want to thank Senator Brashear. He had asked me, he says would you keep an open mind to this issue, and I will. And I appreciate the time that he's spent on this and, however, there are some reservations that I do have. First of all, to come in at this point in time with an amendment that I think really needs a great deal of discussion and some time spent on it, and here we are on the eighty-seventh day and I look at the bills that we have had that we have laid over till next year because of the budget problems and because of time restraints: LB 172, restrict abortion information from schools; LB 208, change provisions of offenses on alcoholic controlled substance; LB 265, concealed carry; LB 303, motorcycle helmet bill; LB 304, adopt the Peace Officers Employer-Employee Relations Act; LB 374, eliminate labeling and disclosure; LB 435, increase the minimum wage; LB 512, restrict and prohibit human fetal tissue; LB 526, change the mode of inflicting death penalty. LB 602, adopt the Human Cloning Protection Act; and LB 722...or, excuse me, LB 762, campaign finance elimination; and perhaps even LB 743 if we don't have enough time. And so I really think that there's...to do this today I think is really improper. Also, anything that's to be placed on the ballot won't happen until fall of 2004. We have time next year to spend on this issue. I think that we should do that. You got to remember that even expanding gambling to six casinos that we do have four tribes that will also have casinos, more than likely. And perhaps, you know, in some states those tribes have