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SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. Speaker, I'd like a call of the house, please.

SPEAKER BROMM: A call of the house has been requested. All in favor of the house going under call...I would ask that all members check in. Senator Brashear, since we are on Final Reading, they should all be present or accounted for. Members, please check in. Senator Brashear, you may proceed with your closing while that's occurring, if you'd like.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I realized that we were on Final Reading after I had requested the call. I apologize. You all know what this is about. Thank you for your time, your consideration, your patience. I hope that I established on...in the opening that we have gambling. We have all kinds of gambling. We have all kinds of gambling revenue. We have all kinds of gambling gross dollars that we are exporting to our neighbor. Our neighbor is making hundreds of millions of dollars in revenue, and distributing it, and that we have a potential risk on our eastern boundary. We all know how to read the English of the language of the bill and what it says that's pending there. And it can be pending for whatever multiple reasons it's pending. The potentiality exists, and now we're informed, and now we know. I indicated how I came to the proposition as a no vote on gambling, and why I was willing to change in order to achieve a limited additional gambling in the state of Nebraska. Tried to lay out, in terms of some diagrams and information, the specifics of the case. I believe, given the historical fact that every time our people have voted on gambling they have voted in favor of whatever the proposition was, I believe that we will...if we do not act so that we can act proactively and regulate and control somewhat what will happen with regard to gambling, that we will then...the people will exercise their constitutional right to an initiative, and they will do what they will do, and it will be the...it will be in the affirmative. And then of course it can always be litigated. But some day, some time, somebody is going to get it right. I think we could demonstrate leadership in getting it right in the first instance ourselves. The Future Trust concept was to make us not dependent upon gambling revenues in terms of the funding of the state of Nebraska. That seemed to have some