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Smith for bringing the amendment. I thank him for at least continuing the dialogue on it. And I believe...I trust the body that we're moving toward consensus, and that's a very good thing. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Combs. Senator Bromm, followed by Senator Johnson and others.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. You know, there are some who would probably be very happy with putting one casino on the ballot. And some are still saying that the best idea we ever had was Senator Janssen's original proposal, which was to simply ask the people, do you want casino gambling to be allowed in the state, and come back to the Legislature for the details, and be that simple. This proposal of eight is a compromise somewhere in-between. And I don't know if that's the right number or the wrong number or whatever. But I do think that we're at the point where this is all about trust, which I was just talking to my colleague about here, and compromise. And if you don't trust this body to do the right thing and to maintain control of this activity, then you shouldn't support anything. If you trust the petition makers more, and the vested interests that are going to be relentless, they're going to be persistent, they may not have found the right answer as we sit here, or they may have. I don't know. But they will not give up, you can bet on that. And so for my part, I would like to trust this body, even though I probably won't necessarily be part of a final decision that will be made if this is ultimately approved by the voters, but I trust the people's representatives, and that's you, elected and responsive and responsible and answerable to your constituents, much more than I do any other method of dealing with this issue. And we have prolonged the decision on this. We have, I think, waited longer than we should have to give the people something to make a decision on. So I'm only interested in giving the people something that is relatively simple, something that will not add a lot of superfluous or complicated language to our constitution that will only result in litigation after it's approved or even before it's voted on. It needs to be simple, it needs to be direct, it needs to be straightforward. And we're all going to have to swallow hard, make our best judgments, and I think be able to respond to our