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SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. I acknowledge that on General File Senator Chambers had made a fair argument about money eventually getting to be spent on the environment and I had defended the bill on the basis of the green copy when, in fact, the committee amendment had changed what I thought was the operative important language. I want to make sure that the money that's spent for...or that is assigned to the environment section is spent only for environmental purposes. I want to make sure that the section on which we have money for education is spent only on educational purposes and not subverted. This is my suggestion for particularly the area that we were concerned about here. Forty-four and one-half percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund for use as provided in the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund (sic-Act) and shall be used only for the conservation, enhancement and restoration of the natural, physical, and biological environment of Nebraska, primarily through competitive grants to public and private entities, for related transfers to the Nebraska Environmental Endowment Fund, and for related administrative expenses. What I regard that as being is a limitation on the spending power of the state of Nebraska from the Legislature to spend that 44.5 percent on something other than the environment. It makes reference to the process of the Nebraska Environmental Trust Act. It does not create the fund constitutionally, although a constitution trumps statute. I got to thinking about the nature of the argument that Senator Chambers was making, and it seems to me that it implies a kind of bad faith on the part of the Legislature that I don't think I need to draft around. And I ask you if in fact I need to draft to that level. It seems to me that this body has a desire to follow the constitution, and would so do. I think this...there is explicit advice, suggestion, power, and limitation in the language to achieve the goal to make sure that that 44.5 percent of the lottery money is spent for environmental purposes. And that's the goal that we want to achieve here. I would ask for the adoption of AM3376.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Raikes.