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expanded pickle cards, expanded whatever came before us, whether we should make a keno machine more...to look like more of a slot machine, and we're going to have those as long as we're in this body. And if we pass this, I can guarantee you that the keno people will come forward and say we've got to have a machine because the casinos are taking the revenue away from us. And so we need to have this machine. Yeah, it looks like a slot machine but it's really not a slot machine. It's a keno machine. We got the same thing, they have a bingo machine now that looks very much like a slot machine but it's still going to be called a bingo card. And then, as it was said earlier, that once we impose gambling into this body, into this state, the lobby is going to only grow and grow and grow. They will find people to run for election, support those individuals, as no other industry can, to get that vote again to expand more gambling. If you're willing to start down this road, please think of the consequences. I've been here 10 years, couple more to go. I don't want to look back at my career and say I voted to expand gambling in this state. I'm not going to do that. I will certainly do whatever I can to encourage people...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR JENSEN: ...not to vote for gambling no matter what the petition is out there, no matter if it comes from this body or comes from that initiative petition. So with that, I will return the rest of my time back to the Chair but my vote will be no. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Jensen. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Call the question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do see five hands. The question before the body is, shall debate cease on AM3572? All in favor of the question vote aye, those opposed nay. The question before the body is ceasing debate on the Janssen amendment, AM3572, to LR 11CA. Have you all voted who care to? Voting on ceasing debate on the Janssen amendment, AM3572. Have you all voted who care to? Senator Beutler, for what purpose do you rise? Senator Beutler.