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that. Keno passed in my hometown when I was on city council. I...it was proposed for the ballot before I took office, but I wasn't out there to undermine its adoption, undermine its operation. I'm not as devious as some might think here in the body. Keno is relatively innocuous because it's not the quickness of...the quickness of a slot machine. In Missouri, I think it is, or maybe it's Indiana, they're looking at allowing even quicker machines. Because, see, that original level of play or rate of play, it started to die off and they weren't making as much money anymore, so there's a proposal now to make it even quicker. I think they're the ones who were so generous to social issues in saying that we're going to limit losses to \$500, but they wanted to make it quicker, so I suppose they could go play on someone else's card, I would speculate. But we want to legalize an otherwise illegal activity just for the sake of revenue, because Omaha wants to be like Council Bluffs.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR SMITH: I've driven through Council Bluffs a few times, driven past the Qwest Center. I know which one I'd choose to live on, even if we do have a little higher property tax, which isn't necessarily the case. There are a lot of good things about Nebraska that we don't have to do this. I certainly don't want casino gambling in my legislative record of approving that, paving the way for it, especially when it's ramrodded through by a Vegas casino that has a record of dealing less than straightforward with 100 percent of the people they take losses from. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, I'd call the question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? Do see five hands. The question before the body is, shall debate cease on the Louden amendment, AM3598? All in favor...Senator Smith, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, how many people have spoken?