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SENATOR TYSON: And we can rest content that we have done our job. To pass this off on the basis, well, we might not like that initiative petition, okay, we might not, but that process is in place and it's being utilized and it should not stop us from doing the job that we asked the privilege of doing. The only thing I can do is, one last time, remind you if we have this come into Nebraska it will stay here for a long, long time and it will spread its...the evils that I believe that go with it for a long, long time as well. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Tyson. Senator Smith, you're either recognized to speak, Senator Smith, or you...yours is the last light, you're recognized to close, if you care to. You may either speak for five minutes or close for five minutes.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I'd be glad to close.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You may do so.

SENATOR SMITH: I know that this is a tough decision for many. I've stated earlier that I didn't come to this body with as strong of an opinion as I have come to formulate over the last few months, actually a few weeks, because we did have a rather speedy vote on first round and I've lived to regret that a bit. But we come to the point where we have to make a decision. And I'm glad that I have looked at all of the information that I've been given, because there is a common thread, a common theme. I'd kind of like to come up with some information that folks who compulsively gamble don't pay their utility bills, because maybe we could get LES to take a position because it affects their revenue, something like that, that really drives to a larger issue of the economics. When we see a merchant organization like the Old Market, there's probably no closer Nebraska shopping neighborhood to the Council Bluffs casinos than the Old Market. They said we don't want it. They've studied the issue. They've seen the numbers. We've heard even in here that it's going to affect...a casino will affect not only the local economy when it comes to hardware stores, furniture stores, restaurants, but how it's going to affect charitable gaming in Nebraska. And I'm not out here to protect those, but that's a reality. So what will it be that we're going to have to do to