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"semi-unconscionable" that we advertise for the lottery funds and...but be that as it may, I just think that this is not one of those things that we can afford to do by transferring General Funds into this program. And had it been some other method, I would have been more amenable to it, but I just...I just don't think we can start expanding programs like this, and for that reason I would resist this particular amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Pederson. Senator Redfield, followed by Senator Janssen.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the body. I served for a number of years on the Urban Affairs Committee, I've served on the Revenue Committee, and in both of those committees I have seen before us proposals to increase gambling in the state of Nebraska. And generally in the hearing we could count on the people who provide counseling to those who have become addicted to gambling, we could count on them showing up and testifying and telling us the horrible stories, the families whose lives have been destroyed, the children that have been hurt, the bankruptcies, and all the other ill effects of an increase in gambling. At the same time, I will tell you that they have never, in a hearing I've been present at, testified against an increase in gambling. They have testified neutral and said it's okay if we expand gambling as long as we increase the money that we give to them. I find that less than honest. If they in fact really believe that it does destroy lives, I find it interesting that they think it's okay to increase an activity that destroys lives as long as we give them more money. And therefore, I will not support this amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Redfield. On with discussion, McDonald amendment, Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. Senator McDonald, I am going to support your amendment because I know what you've been through in trying to find funding. It was unfortunate that you couldn't take it at the place you wanted to. There was a question of constitutionality there. I believe that this is a problem that not only is generated by our meager gaming that we have in this