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SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: At regular speed.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What does regular mean?

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: It means at...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: ... the pace of which the actual race was run. So it can't be fast forwarded.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Aha! Why didn't they put that in the amendment? Because I have an amendment that says virtually what you just said.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Because I don't find it necessary. I think a layman could interpret "to be watched at regular speed" as that would be the interpretation. We're giving the Racing Commission the discretion...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, we don't want the laymen to have to...

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: ... to develop rules and regulations pursuant to legislation.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: We don't want the laymen to have to interpret when we can give more precise language right here, as you did. That's our responsibility as legislators. The committee amendment, as I said, offers me a fertile field and I'm going to plow it. And I'm going to take as much time as is necessary. This that Senator Synowiecki is giving us is an expansion of gambling, one of the most addictive kinds that you can have. As Senator Jensen pointed out, the allure is there of all this money you can win. So if you lose...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and gamble and lose again, you can continue and maybe you'll get it back before the day is over. And by the time you get through, you don't have a...