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SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm going to support the Chambers amendment, and let me tell you why. I've been in this body for quite some time now, and I was part of the people that helped institute the lottery. And the voters of this state were told the money would go for education and environment. And I know we all have good intentions but when we're trying to balance the budget, especially in short-fund years, it's easy to say, well, just take it from the And that's what we're doing this year. Environmental Trust. We're doing it during good times, folks. And there's a lot of worthwhile projects out there, and you know, my country friends, listen to me, they're in rural Nebraska. They help the environment, they help the habitat. I...those of you who had a chance last night to visit Rowe Sanctuary and see the cranes come in, we've had Environmental Trust money help that. And of course, we've changed the dynamics for wildlife in this state, and migratory birds are just one issue. So I'm going to support It's too easy to take the money. The grant...a lot of this. these things that we've taken the money for probably could have been...could have gone through the grant process and prevailed anyway. So, we have an Environmental Trust Board. I think the voters voted for this. Now, we did do a little amendment here, constitutional amendment here, what, two years ago, for my friend Senator Cudaback, to help the State Fair out. So we've so-called watered it down a little bit. We've helped out another entity. But I think this is a good signal. It will be on the ballot. The voters can decide. I think it fits well with the rehabilitation of those who are addicted to gambling. And as one who benefits from this...and I do benefit from the Environmental Trust, and if you want to know why, I've got Pheasants Forever corners, and Pheasants Forever gets some money from the Environmental Trust. The goal of the Environmental Trust is not to acquire land; it's to help the people who own the land to enhance habitat environment for the good of the well-being of all citizens of this state. And Pheasants Forever is one success story. They've benefited quite a little from this. And you can just go on and on. We've helped convert some...in the central flyway, we've helped some wetlands that...you know, we've had a lot of wetlands disappear because of farming activities, and we've helped to restore and enhance some of those wetlands. And so it's not the goal of the