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that's just one portion, one small portion of what comes back into your community. Senator Stuthman spoke in length of some of the additional jobs and business that is created when you do have a track in your area. So you know, you would consider yourself quite fortunate to be one of those select people that actually do have a track. I'd also like to correct the fact that they said that, you know, you would be betting more often. That's not true. If you're familiar with simulcast at all, you can bet as often as you want with simulcast. And most places have ten different tracks available on their screens all the time that they have live racing and even when they don't have live racing. So that option is out there. Just want to really correct the misconception that there's more than just the tracks that gain from this, all the economic development that is generated with this, all that would be generated if the quarter horse industry was included. That's something else we can look I, for one, you know, look at the gambling that goes on over in Iowa daily, almost daily, time after time, millions and millions of dollars going over there. I contend that why don't some of those dollars get spent here in Nebraska? Couldn't we utilize it a little better here? We know people are going to gamble. They're doing it every day. Why not allow some of the Nebraska areas to benefit from that instead of all just Iowa, Kansas, and some of the other border states that border us? Senator Synowiecki, would you like any time? My time to Senator Synowiecki.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Senator Aguilar. Senator Janssen, thank you. Senator Cudaback, how much time is there?

SENATOR CUDABACK: About 1, 5.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Senator. And I appreciate the comments of Senator Aguilar. He's kind of front row and center there with the activities of Fonner Park in Grand Island. I am, although it's not in my district, the Horsemen Park in Omaha has...I alluded earlier about the redevelopment and some of the casinos in Council Bluffs, and one of the rehabilitation that they're doing is to their simulcast facilities. And the fear is, is that that will cut in, in large part, to the simulcast activities at Horsemen's Park. So this is really a tool to kind