

by other members and myself, to discuss the amendment that I have which is actually LB 1021. Senator Hoagland mentioned the fact that we should stand tall in the State of Nebraska and tell the surrounding states that Nebraska will be a state that will never have any type of lottery in the State of Nebraska. I say now that we better not just tell the surrounding states, we'd better go all the way to Canada because I have in front of me here, and it's just a copy, but I do have the original in my office, where the people in Nebraska are receiving it in the mail from Canada. What it is saying in their cover letter that they send, and this particular lady that sent it to me said that she has been receiving this in the past two years, and every 13 weeks she sends them \$58. In their cover letter they say things such as this, "Tax free, lump sum cash. That is exactly what makes Canadian lotteries so attractive to so many U.S. citizens. The bad news that these Americans do not get the instant millions at all. Before any of these million dollar winners get their hands on their prizes Uncle Sam takes over 50 percent for taxes, then the remainder is paid to them in smaller, equal monthly installments over the next 20 years." It goes on to say, "Mary Futch of Tampa, Florida, won her record prize of over \$5 million, that is exactly what she got from the Canadian Lotto, all the cash at once, tax free in the United States." Now there are several other sheets explaining the type of lotteries they have in Canada. This is sent in the mail and I have talked to other people that receive the same thing. It says on the second page, "Order by phone for faster action." So they give you a toll free number. They also tell you to "Charge it to American Express, MasterCard or Visa. You can place your order by phone, it is that simple." I also sent \$20 the other day, just to see what I would get back, to Detroit, Michigan. I received it in the mail, a request to buy a lottery ticket. I got back a calendar, about the size of a Union Pacific calendar, giving me the weekly day that the prize is offered, a monthly prize, and then at the end of the year I'm entitled to a jackpot prize of several thousand dollars. I also have one from the State of Maryland. We know, in the City of Omaha, how many people are buying lottery tickets in Iowa. I think we should stand tall, yes, in the State of Nebraska but not to the point where we are sending money not only to the surrounding states but to Canada also. This particular lottery from Canada also says you can buy a year's chances, rather than the 13 weeks, at a reduced price. It goes on and on and tells how favorable the