

that's how it's going to really play out. We're going to have after hours clubs. We're going to have gambling and we're going to basically encourage it because we're going to add a profit motive after one o'clock for doing this stuff and we're going to have one community competing with another to make sure that whoever wants to come at one o'clock at night and drink and gamble comes to their city to their after hour clubs to do it, I'm going to vote no.

PRESIDENT ROBAK PRESIDING

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Madam President, members, I'm struggling a little bit with this myself. It does affect, I understand, my area up and down the Missouri River because of the ability to go across the river after hours. I really, I had decided I probably was going to vote for this, but I, with great reservation and I was going to put on warning that I will not expand liquor serving hours and that will be the next step from this. That's what I am concerned about, that now we can't compete because we don't have the extended serving hours, therefore, we must do that next and I simply want to put on notice, I would not support that, that this was not automatically lead to it. The one thing, I contend to support this because it is a local control issue at this point so local towns can decide if they want to do this. I would suggest if they were to do it, as was explained to me, it's for special occasions that maybe there's a group in town, a class reunion or such, that might actually have it in their local, keep it in their local area to have their reunion or whatever, then they would have some activity that would continue all night two nights a week. If it was me in making a local decision, I would make it contingent upon the use and not make it year round, but I am concerned that it will expand the interest in expending liquor sales which I would be opposed to. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Madam President and colleagues, I would wonder whether I could ask Senator Schellpeper a question or two and before I do that, Senator Wehrbein, I share some of your same concerns and that's why I want to ask Senator Schellpeper a couple of questions.