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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The question is the advancement of LB 1258. Those in favor say aye. Those in favor nay. The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 659. Enrollment and Review amendments, first of all, Senator. (AM7190, Legislative Journal page 656.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I move the adoption of E & R amendments to LB 659.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Question is the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 659. Those in favor say aye. Those opposed nay. The amendments are agreed to.

CLERK: Senator Robak would move to amend, Mr. President. (AM2496, Legislative Journal page 777.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Robak, you're recognized to open on your amendment to LB 659.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I'm going to introduce this amendment. It's basically LB 560, that was passed by the General Affairs Committee last session. And it is intended to provide additional methods to conduct keno games. My amendment would make similar changes to the game of keno as Senator Lynch's LB 659 does for pickle games. It will make keno games more enjoyable for keno players and stay within the parameters of the Nebraska Constitution. Hopefully, my amendment would increase revenues for the charitable organizations and communities benefitting from Nebraska gaming laws. Each one of you should have got a book today in your offices that outlines the numerous projects that have been funded by the revenues from charitable gaming. Some of those examples from the state would include, for example, Battle Creek, payment for a rescue unit; Clarkson, bunker gear for the fire department; Keith County, money for the Keith County Library; Long Pine, rejuvenation of water lines; Randolph, renovation of the city auditorium; Republican City, support of the Harlan County Hospital; Waterloo purchased a