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are the leaders and I know in our particular case that it is difficult as the law stands today to get someone other than an officer that will take the responsibility and do a good job of it. So I would certainly ask that you endorse both of Senator Dworak's amendments.

SENATOR MARSH: I call on Senator Dworak for closing.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President, colleagues, I urge very strongly the support of these two amendments because, number one, of course I am not going to spend any time on the first one because there is absolutely no disagreement on the first one whatsoever that I have heard in debate or in talking to people on the floor. The second one, I did not hear a lot of strong opposition against the second amendment. Now this amendment has nothing to do with bonding. Don't confuse that. All this amendment says is that duly elected officers of these organizations that conduct bingo games can be responsible and handle those bingo funds. Now a lot of these small organizations those officers are, in fact, the only visible responsible people in those organizations. I am sure that virtually everyone on this floor belongs to several or at least one of these type of non-profit organizations that you probably don't spend any time with at all, and what time you do spend, the only people you really know of is the three or four elected officers. To me it is more accountable for those elected officials to be able to handle those bingo funds than to allow an unknown appointed separated individual from doing that. Now there is some possibility that somebody wants to bond the person that handles the bingo funds and I am not opposed to that but this amendment has nothing to do with that. Now if that is the case, it makes sense that we bond only one member in that organization and that would be the duly elected treasurer whoever it is, and if that amendment passes, this will make it more palatable to these smaller nonprofit organizations. So I urge very strongly the support of both of these amendments. Now it is my understanding that the Clerk has divided this amendment so that you will know what you will be voting on. On page 2, line 8, everything above line 8 including line 7 will be the first amendment and the first vote and everything below including line 8 will be the second amendment. I would very strongly urge the adoption of both of these amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay the first portion of the Dworak amendment found on page 972 and goes over on page 973 through line 7. All those in favor of adoption of the first Dworak amend-