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the ads and advertisements. There is one section here in the book that was handed out to you that lists the points that have been violated in the present bingo law and I would just like to reinstate the statement: Exceeding prize limits, number one. Paid help, number two. No license obtained for some sessions and licensees are not aware when their license is being used in newspaper advertising. I feel very, very strongly about the bingo bill. When I was with the Nebraska Department of Revenue for seven years, the biggest problem we had in Omaha was trying to enforce the laws through the State Department. The present law now is that the city and county officials now have the enforcement of the bingo law which is the greatest thing that could happen and the two days a week and the security guard and then going to the city or county board for additional approval. I don't want to take any more time because I would like to see this bill voted on before we go on to our business of the day. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Hoagland to close on the motion to advance the bill.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: I would like to rise to deal with one particular problem of this bill in addition to closing and that is the allegation that if this bill passes that small charities and small voluntary operations are going to be hurt. Now that is absolutely incorrect. I think it's essential to protect the small games up in Omaha, to protect the small charitable operations throughout the state, that this particular bill pass. I know in my legislative district and a lot of other legislative districts in Omaha, the small operations are having a great deal of trouble keeping alive and, indeed, a couple of them have had to shut down temporarily hopefully. Hopefully they will be able to get their operation going again once this bill passes with the emergency clause. It is extremely important for the small charitable bingo operations that this bill pass and that it pass with the emergency clause and I would urge all of you to vote for its advancement at this time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance the bill to E & R for Review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is advanced. Do you have some things to read in?