

it a Class 4 misdemeanor. That's for anybody gambling or making bets in less than \$300. Those basically are the penalty sections. It establishes a Class 2 misdemeanor penalty for possession of gambling records, makes technical wording changes, deletes Section 10 of LB 152, that prohibits the parking of motor vehicles on private or restricted parking lots. Basically, that was taken care of in another very notorious bill the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee has had. Those, basically, are the Committee amendments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Motion on the desk. Read the motion, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator DeCamp moves to amend the Committee amendments. (Read DeCamp amendment.) Those amendments are on Page 1516 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Well, Mr. President, and members of the Legislature, after the recent events I kind of feel like the captain of the Titanic trying to pedal icebergs out here, but that's okay. The bill is a major bill redrafting all the gambling law of the state for all practical purposes. It involves lotteries, it involves all kinds of gambling and I believe the bill in some form or another is absolutely necessary, and I'll deal with a couple things this morning. First of all, I'm going to read you a letter...a letter from the Attorney General of the State of Nebraska, and I hope you will listen to the letter, because the letter is the reason for the bill. Okay. Please do listen to this letter. Does anybody really care out there? Well anyway. Good, good, good. When we were working on the criminal code...when we were working on the criminal code last year or two years ago, the Attorney General and other law enforcement officials became concerned about how we were treating the gambling laws, and what we had done. Because I didn't have enough time at that time to get everything done and we ran out of time at the end of the session, I agreed with them to work with them and then try to get them straightened out in the next session. Well, January 1 came. These new laws are in effect. Now let me read you the letter from the Attorney General so you know how these new laws function and their reason for wanting to change them, and then we'll talk about the big gambling raid, and I'll read the names for you and tell you about all these heinous felons out there in the little towns of Niobrara, Verdigre, O'Neill, Spalding,