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O'Neill, Nebraska, who is determined for one reason or another to be fair game for enforcement and I can guarantee you that I don't have to be very astute to go into Lincoln or Omaha and place a bet with much less impunity than I would in O'Neill, Nebraska, and it strikes me as a little strange that we have to make a raid a hundred fifty or seventy five miles away from the Attorney General's office to make the point. I think that in view of the widely diversioned penalties for crimes, that the DeCamp bill as amended is reasonable and I would have to at this time, with some reluctance and with some concern, Senator Hoagland, oppose your amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chambers. We are on the Hoagland amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I always have to start with a disclaimer. I think gambling is evil. I think it is wicked and people who gamble probably go to hell. That includes the ministers who run the churches where they gamble, the so-called non-profit charitable people who run Aksarben where they gamble, but we are talking now about the ones who provide competition. But now that we know who all is going to the hot place, let us come, Senator Hoagland, to your amendment. Why did you offer this amendment? Were you talked to by people in Omaha?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: No, I answered that question, Senator Chambers. I was reading through the Journal and I saw this thing and it just didn't seem to me to be right. I mean, it just defies common sense if you want to discourage gambling to drop everything down to a misdemeanor no matter how much money is involved.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hoagland, I don't think the intent is to discourage gambling. I think the intent is to put all those who want to gamble on as equitable a footing as possible and since you are not going to allow the non-Aksarben, nonchurch gamblers to gamble without paying a penalty, then you should make the penalty not too overbearing or unjust. At least that is my reasoning on this thing but I got the answer from you that I could get. I think when Chief of Police Anderson and the World Herald and all these others do the talking that they do, I take that with a grain of salt and I dismiss it. I look at other far more serious issues that they give their time to, for example, sending people down here to say that if a woman