

would not do to Senator Rupp and to those senators who have other race tracks what is really difficult for me to do to vote against their bill, a bill that will help the rest of the state and not just Lincoln. Would to God that Lincoln Senators would be more considerate of other parts of the state because every senator on this floor knows that Lincoln is always there and maybe some Lincoln Senators are exempt, but I am saying the vast majority saying, give me, give me, give me. And then when you go to them and say, I need your help, you hear this whining, sorry...

SENATOR BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR HIGGINS: ...sorry. I will vote for the bill, but I am doing it for all of the tracks across the state. What amazes me is in the beginning of this debate all you heard was Ak-Sar-Ben, Ak-Sar-Ben, Ak-Sar-Ben. Now Senator Warner, Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, suddenly talks about the horsemen. I wonder why the horsemen were ignored from the beginning of this debate until the end. What an organization! I don't know. I think that maybe somebody has read too many books on organization by the Mafia, but I sure wish that they would have gotten their act together over a year ago for those poor people they keep bleeding for at Commonwealth. And I hope to God some Lincoln newspaper mentions the fact that for Commonwealth they can't get organized but for their own common purposes they can. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

SENATOR BARRETT: Your time is expired. Thank you. Senator Jim Goll, please. Senator Goll.

SENATOR GOLL: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, my name is on this bill and I at this point really don't know why it is on this bill. I don't like the nags and I don't go to the horse races, and if I never saw a horse race, it would be too soon, but that is immaterial, it's big business for Nebraska. It amounts to a lot of money for the State of Nebraska, to the economy. And I don't think the Racing Commission knows what they are doing. I am not sure the lobbyists have got everything straightened out. This bill isn't straightened out. The amendments, they have changed tracks. The Task Force didn't know what they were doing, or at least the Governor didn't think so. I think we ought to get this bill voted up or down and get it rolling. Now Senator Warner tells us that it is going to cost swinging