

the Legislature, as can be anticipated by some people, I'm strongly opposed to this amendment. First of all, I think it's a bad policy to say that when you have certain businesses operating you're going to guarantee them a certain income by manipulating the tax structure. By doing that you're making all of the taxpayers make up whatever the state decides in its good will to give to one of these gambling operations and that's what they are. If there were a small grocery store and a large supermarket chain opened across the street, nobody has come in here and said that if that small grocery store begins to lose business because the large chain offers more exotic products or at a better deal, the state is going to underwrite the small business, nobody will do that. Nobody has said that regardless of who owns a farm, if the large farm is threatening to run the small one out of business, the state will cut the rate of taxes of the small farm or guarantee them a certain amount of money. They don't do that because these constituencies are not organized. They don't contribute to campaigns, they don't have little emergency vehicles to give to state fairs or in other words, to buy off local officials and to influence the Legislature and that's what is being done on this floor. When the lottery bills were up I thought I was in church. People talked about the evil, how it's going to afflict those who have small amounts of income. Gambling was from Satan himself and now we come to another kind of gambling, that engaged in by those who elect a king in Ak-Sar-Ben every year, that's a little old fat man in short pants and then they hook him up with some young woman instead of his own wife or a woman his own age if they're trying to respect the female gender and that's the operation that is going to get this benefit. I think it's totally wrong. I think it's totally inappropriate and I think it's hypocritical except that morality has nothing to do with this. Money and political power are the issues that we're dealing with now. Gambling is gambling is gambling just as a rose is a rose. So, when they try to defeat the lottery bills and do, in fact, defeat them, just because the World Herald and the World Herald stooges, who like horse racing, speak against the lotteries. The World Herald wants no competition against Ak-Sar-Ben because Harold Anderson, the President of the World Herald was named one of these little kings in the short pants and paired with a young woman. So he has an interest in protecting Ak-Sar-Ben. They throw in something about the little tracks to get the votes of other senators coming from those towns. We'll have senators who