

race tracks which is the only place he can legally bet any amounts of money. And I have a proposition here that is not hypocritical, that is not underwritten by the taxpayers, does not trick the bettor into thinking that he or she is going to get more than what they have been led to think they would get. It's not setting the rate of the payout. If you bet ten, you get ten if you win. If you lose, there is a 10 percent surcharge, but anybody who bets on athletic events knows that. The Legislature is saying here, that on these exotic, neurotic types of betting, 20 percent is going to be taken out. That's not letting the bettors have anything to say or do in determining what will be done. So I think because this bill that I'm offering is germane, the Chair ought to be overruled.

**SENATOR HANNIBAL:** Thank you, Senator Chambers. There are many lights on here and I think I'd like to just quickly run through them to see if you wish to speak on the motion before you which is to overrule the Chair. Next in the speaking order is, Senator Rupp, did you want to speak on germaneness? Senator Schmit.

**SENATOR SCHMIT:** Mr. President and members, I rise in support of the motion to overrule the Chair in support of Senator Chambers' motion. I don't think any one of us, any one of us here can seriously say that this is not a germane issue. When you try to split the hairs as finely as you're doing here today, you have just about gone the limit. As I have said earlier, you're going to see people dancing on the head of a pin this afternoon in an attempt to justify their positions and I hope that their tiptoes bleed just a wee tiny bit, but I would have to suggest that we ought to recognize, we ought to recognize that there is a great deal of sport betting going on in the state. You know there has been a lot of conversation in the newspapers about the evils of betting upon a football game. Well, let me suggest and let me ask any of you, do you really believe that football would be as big as it is in the United States today if it were not for gambling? And what kind of gambling? Illegal gambling. All that Senator Chambers is asking you to do is to recognize the fact that does exist out there. There is gambling going on on the sports activity. Senator Vard Johnson is very concerned about the handle. It might just be that if you allow that off track betting parlor to exist in Anselmo, Nebraska, that one of Senator Lamb's constituents might wander down and place a couple dollars on