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SENATOR PAPPAS: Yes, Mr. Speaker, colleagues, I rise to support Senator Chambers in his motion to override the Chair. And I have several questions why I think it is germane and should be on there, or it's allowable on there and I'd like to, if I could, ask Senator Chambers a couple of questions.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Senator Chambers, do you yield?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Certainly.

SENATOR PAPPAS: Seeing that my senior senator has much more experience and knowledge and wisdom than I have because I'm a relative newcomer here and I know...and he has spent a great deal of time on the Judiciary Committee which I heard about yesterday, so he is very familiar with laws and how the system works in the State of Nebraska. Could you give me...is horse racing classified as a sporting event?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: It would be.

SENATOR PAPPAS: And, legalized bookmaking, is to legalize wagering on sporting events?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, that's the purpose of it.

SENATOR PAPPAS: And do you know the definition of wagering?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, wagering is when you put up one amount against an amount that somebody else offers and whoever selects the outcome correctly wins the total amount.

SENATOR PAPPAS: It's very similar. I got a copy of the Black's definitions here and basically it is saying what you said. From your personal experience from being on the Judiciary Committee for a long number of years and being involved in enforcement and everything else, I'll recall or have your memory be recalled just a little bit, several months ago there was headlines that there were several University of Nebraska students that were involved in illegal bookmaking.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR PAPPAS: And if bookmaking was legalized in