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it and that has been a bad scene. On the other hand, you and I have also understood the need for small churches and organizations to be able to do that kind of Hollywood, Las Vegas night type stuff. So that is not a problem. This change, this amendment of Senator Hartnett's simply permits the continuation of city operated keno gambling.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: All right. And if this amendment is not adopted, what kind of restrictions would be placed on city operated keno gambling?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: There is a question as to whether or not city operated keno gambling could be done if this amendment is not adopted.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: If this amendment is not adopted, would the \$1,000 a game once a month restriction that applies to lotteries and raffles, then apply to that keno operation, or do we know for sure?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I believe it would. Senator Hartnett says, no, so it probably would not.

SENATOR CAPSTEN: Okay, thank you. Senator Lamb, please.

SENATOR LAMB: (No response.)

SENATOR CARSTEN: Senator Hartnett, please, on your amendment.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Just to pass the amendment, please.

SENATOR CARSTEN: We still have some other speakers. You are not closing. We still have some others that want to talk, Senator Hartnett. Senator Schmit on the Hartnett amendment.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Mr. President and members, I rise in support of the Hartnett amendment. I think it would be grossly unfair if this Legislature, after having put Bellevue out of the video lottery business would pursue with a vengeance the little town of Bellevue and put them out of the keno business. Obviously, it was an oversight on the part of the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee, and they never really intended to be that vindictive, and so I would certainly support the Hartnett amendment and I would urge the rest of you to do likewise. I am not in the business, by the way, but it sounds like it might not be too bad a deal.

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