

revenue shall after so on and so support the state, in other words, your net, shall be remitted to the state. I'd like to amend that to strike the word "state" and insert "Charitable Gaming Operations Fund", and my reason for doing that which has been brought to be by the Gaming Division is that enforcement will go up because of the machines of this amendment that are being allowed, which necessitates more of the money being spent by them to do those things that they need to do. Secondly, that revenues go into the Charitable Gaming Operations Fund will go down. Right now, the way the statutes read, 40 percent of the tax is collected are available to the Charitable Gaming Division and of this 40 percent, the other six, I mean of the total amount, 60 percent does go to the General Fund at this point in time plus any remaining funds not expended out of that 40 percent go to the General Fund. So this is my request, that we strike the word "state" and insert "Charitable Gaming Operations Fund" and remembering that most of that money still will get to the General Fund later on anyway.

SPEAKER BAACK: Discussion on the amendment offered by Senator Smith. Senator Will, do you wish to discuss that?

SENATOR WILL: Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to give a little of my time to Senator Hall first off, and if he'd like to remember to give me some back, that would be great.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members, Senator Will, appreciate your time. The...I will agree to Senator Smith's amendment. Here's the...with one caveat and the caveat is that should this amendment be adopted, we're talking about generating a tremendous amount of money, I think anyway. I think the potential is there for that and 40 percent of a tremendous amount of money is a little less tremendous amount of money for the Charitable Gaming Division Fund of the Department of Revenue. Now I'm not going to oppose that. I agree with the argument that enforcement is going to go up, but I will bring in an amendment down the road probably next year to reduce that percentage amount because I have no problem with the 60 percent that flows into the General Fund, but if we're going to increase the fund, very likely we could double it with this amendment. I would...if not more, by the way. I would sure want to rethink that whole percentage that's allowed with regard to monies that are cash funded which is what it does, the Charitable Gaming