

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

The question arises on the adoption of sections 6.01 to 6.16 inclusive of Article 6. A vote Aye is a vote in favor of the adoption of these sections of Article 6; a vote No is a vote against.

Cast your votes.

Has every delegate voted?

Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 115 votes in the affirmative and 9 in the negative, the motion is carried and sections 6.01 to 6.16 inclusive of Article 6 are adopted on third and final reading.

The question now arises on the adoption on third and final reading of section 6.17.

Is there any discussion?

Delegate Kosakowski.

DELEGATE KOSAKOWSKI: Mr. President, and members of this Convention: In lieu of what happened yesterday and today in cleaning up the Constitution, I feel that this provision does not belong in a modern constitution.

I do not want to belabor the issue. You are all aware of how we are going to vote. I appeal to the members here, and even the committee members on Finance, to let you know you are not bound by any vote that you had cast in the committee. None of us are bound by any vote cast in the Committee of the Whole. I appeal to the membership in your wisdom, and I hope your generosity in deleting this section, because it does not belong in the Constitution.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Sherbow.

DELEGATE SHERBOW: Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen, I earnestly hope that you will vote for this provision. It was debated fully before the Committee on State Finance and Taxation and came out with an overwhelming vote in its favor.

It was debated here on the floor and an amendment was passed. It was debated on second reading and was passed.

I think that you should bear in mind that there is no reason now to change, and while we require seventy-two votes, I think

you also should bear in mind that this is at the present time a part of our present Constitution, and if you delete this, you should also bear in mind that all of the localities, the cities and the counties, without waiting for the General Assembly, may proceed with their own lotteries.

This is different from saying leave it up to the General Assembly. It just is no longer a valid argument.

I ask you to bear in mind that we cannot submit these lottery proposals that the subdivisions, as well as the General Assembly, may pass to referendum, because they will be attached to a money appropriation. This will prevent the people from having an opportunity to vote on it.

I strongly feel on this subject, but I ask you, with no emotion, with nothing but logic, to bear in mind that there is no reason for taking this out of the present Constitution and taking it out now at this late stage in these proceedings.

I strongly urge you to vote for it and let us go before the people with a Constitution that they can accept. I hope we approve this section.

THE PRESIDENT: Does any other delegate desire to speak in opposition to the section?

Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: I move the previous question, Mr. President.

*(Whereupon, the motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: The question arises on the motion to order the previous question on the adoption of section 6.17. All in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No.

The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

The question arises on the adoption on third and final reading of section 6.17, on page 42. A vote Aye is a vote in favor of the adoption of the section; a vote No is a vote against.

Cast your votes.

Has every delegate voted?

Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 68 votes in the affirmative and 44 in the negative, the motion failed.

Delegate Sherbow.