

1 COMMISSIONER LANNI: "While recent studies have
2 attempted to quantify these costs to society, we know that no
3 dollar amount could represent what a lost or impaired parent or
4 spouse or child means to the rest of a family."

5 That's already in there.

6 "Furthermore, many of these costs are hidden."

7 I would add:

8 "And it is difficult to quantify the emotional
9 damage and its long term impact on families and
10 their children. As we consider these matters, it
11 is important to keep in mind that virtually all of
12 the negative consequences are not related to
13 gambling, per se, but to problem or pathological
14 behavior. As NORC indicated in its report, 'In a
15 number of respects, the tangible impacts from
16 problem gambling can be thought of as analogous to
17 the economic impacts of alcohol abuse. In both
18 situations, inappropriate and/or excess
19 participation are legal, and widely pursued
20 leisure activity, can exact an undesirable toll on
21 individuals, families, friends and the surrounding
22 community.'"

23 COMMISSIONER LEONE: I second the motion.

24 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: It has been moved and seconded.

25 Discussion?

26 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: I would not be comfortable at all
27 in making the statement that the negative consequences of
28 gambling are not related to this. The consequences that are
29 listed here are not related to gambling. It's gambling behavior

1 that's triggered the problem. And I don't think we ought to make
2 a statement like that.

3 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I would ask Jim, what is the cite
4 for the gambling behavior has caused the problem? We said that
5 gambling per se is not, but the problem, pathological behavior
6 is. I don't think that differs from what you just said.

7 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: You say that all of the negative
8 consequences are not related to gambling, per se.

9 COMMISSIONER LANNI: But to problem or pathological
10 behavior.

11 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: But it doesn't -- doesn't develop
12 in a vacuum. I mean, pathological behavior is expressed in
13 reference to the particular activity. We had testimony, as I
14 recall, to this Commission, that when gambling enterprises were
15 brought into a neighborhood or into an area where they had not
16 been before, that the problem became exacerbated. I think of Dr.
17 Eves, for example, who came here and talked about having never
18 had a problem with gambling until it was suddenly nearby, and
19 then he found himself deeply involved in it.

20 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Jim, what if we added after
21 behavior relating to it? Would that help you?

22 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: What are you doing here,
23 suggesting? I don't understand this last thing.

24 COMMISSIONER LANNI: We'd say, "As we consider these
25 matters, it's important to keep in mind that virtually all of the
26 negative consequences are not related to gambling, per se, but to
27 problem or pathological behavior relating to it." In other
28 words, to individuals who are relating to there, they have
29 problem or pathological aspects of it. I think the way it's

1 written right now, it gives one the clear impression and
2 understanding that gambling is the cause.

3 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Yeah. I -- tell me what you just
4 -- the words you just put.

5 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I'm saying -- adding "relating to
6 it", following the word "behavior."

7 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: I would accept "triggered by it."

8 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I'd say "relating." I mean, I
9 can't get into triggers. Triggered --

10 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: The gambling doesn't trigger the
11 problem.

12 COMMISSIONER LANNI: People have -- it seems to me that
13 people have problems or are pathological and they would find co-
14 morbidity in a number of different instances.

15 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: You have indicated earlier in
16 that sentence that -- you've used the word "related" twice, that
17 the consequences are not related to it. And at the end you say
18 related to it.

19 COMMISSIONER LANNI: No, I say not related to gambling,
20 per se, but to problem or pathological behavior. I'll drop
21 "relating" and see if we can get another word.

22 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: The behavior becomes pathological
23 when its -- when it's expressed in gambling.

24 COMMISSIONER LEONE: I'll wait.

25 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I'd like to hear Richard's
26 thoughts. Maybe he has a way that would be helpful.

27 COMMISSIONER LEONE: Well, as I understand it, you're
28 not arguing that what we've been discussing all this time as
29 problem and pathological behavior in gamblers isn't related to

1 gambling. It's identified as relating to their activities in
2 gambling. What you're trying to say, that the very activity of
3 gambling itself, unlike, say, smoking cigarettes, is not --
4 doesn't necessarily have the same effect on everybody. Everybody
5 doesn't get tar nicotine in their lungs, and everybody gambles.

6 It just seems to me like the language is not solicitous
7 because I think -- and I think that's what, basically, Jim is
8 saying too is it's ruling out making a distinction. But making
9 the distinction this way doesn't make any sense to me, Terry,
10 because obviously the kind of pathological behavior we're talking
11 about on this Commission is the kind that's related to gambling.

12 And so the sentence, I think, is bound to throw anybody off.
13 When we say it's not related to gambling, per se, one would
14 expect you to go on, then, and say it's related to their love of
15 hopscotch or something.

16 But it's not -- you know, the kind of pathological and
17 problem behavior we're discussing on this Commission is the kind
18 that's related to gambling. It may not be something that's built
19 into a slot machine or a card game, but it is the kind of
20 behavior we're looking at. There must be a better way to get at
21 these two things than this is. I think --

22 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Do you have a suggestion?

23 COMMISSIONER LEONE: I'm trying. I only have one off
24 the top of my head, but maybe if we could take a moment.

25 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: Well, could you try, "Are not
26 related to gambling, per se, but to problem or pathological
27 gambling behaviors"? It sounds a little redundant.

28 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: It's a very -- we're operating very
29 informally this afternoon.

1 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: The way you've got this worded
2 totally defies a lot of what we have learned in the last two
3 years. I don't think you intend to do that, but I think it
4 achieves that. The phrase that has been used which perhaps will
5 get at your -- what you're trying to state here, although I see
6 it as somewhat distinct from what the original author of this
7 paragraph was trying to state, is those negative outcomes
8 associated with gambling, or something to that effect.

9 We appreciate that in a lot of the research -- there's
10 a lot we don't yet understand. But we do understand that for a
11 lot of people gambling will exacerbate or magnify certain
12 elements of their personality, or whatever it is. And as you
13 know, we're doing research in a number of different directions.
14 How much of it is environmental, how much is familial, how much
15 is neurobiological. We don't have all the pieces yet. So, we
16 usually describe these things because, indeed, they are
17 stimulated by gambling, especially by some kinds of games, very,
18 very much. Whatever the set of conditions are that they have.

19 So, to say what you're saying here, in effect, it's not
20 related to gambling, is sort of -- reaches too far, I think. It
21 doesn't really state even what we know right now.

22 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Are we ready for the question?

23 Terry, did you have one more stab at it?

24 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Well, there was a suggestion that
25 we change it to, "as we consider" -- drop "related" and "are not
26 caused by gambling, per se. But to problem or pathological
27 behavior relating to it." So, you drop the first "related" to
28 address Jim's concern, put "caused by."

29 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Are not caused by?

1 COMMISSIONER LANNI: "Gambling per se, but to," I would
2 say, "but by problem or pathological behavior relating to it."

3 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: That assumes that the person has
4 this serious problem, this pathological problem which simply gets
5 attached to gambling, instead of gambling playing a role in the
6 development of the pathological personality.

7 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Well, that is a point that I think
8 is still very much open for debate. I think there are people who
9 have pathological problem behavior attitudes. There's a lot of
10 co-morbidity. And they might latch on to a series of different
11 issues. I'm not so sure the issue latches on to them, rather
12 them latching on to it. It's a fundamental difference in
13 approach in that regard.

14 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Terry, which one would you like to
15 offer as the motion, "caused by," or "related"?

16 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I would -- I would offer as the
17 motion that, "Are not caused by gambling per se, but by problem
18 or pathological behavior relating to it."

19 COMMISSIONER BIBLE; May I make a request, please, a
20 courtesy request? This proposal is so far-reaching and so
21 contradictory of what my impression is of the body of knowledge
22 that we have so far, that I would very much appreciate it if
23 Terry would be willing to just have a staff member type this up,
24 whatever the amendment is that he wants, and let us take a look
25 at it as he would amend it so we can try to understand it.

26 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I'd be happy to do it.

27 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: Thank you.

28 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Madame Chairman?

29 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Well, the question had been called.

1 I have to --

2 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: That's right. Let's vote on it.

3 If it passes, then you can make -- I would -- I would hope that
4 it -- I mean, I hope it doesn't pass, but if it does then perhaps
5 you would then recommend that we look at it.

6 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: If the vote is on the present
7 language as Terry introduced it, I don't think it would pass, but
8 since he's proposing an amendment which he's indicating to us is
9 designed to respond to questions raised here in this discussion,
10 I have no idea how individual members of this Commission are
11 going to interpret that amendment.

12 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Not caused by.

13 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: So --

14 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Could you read it as it exists right
15 now, Terry?

16 COMMISSIONER LANNI: As I'm proposing it?

17 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Right. As we'll consider it.

18 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Okay. Looking at the document,
19 I'm not going to read any of it that is already in the lighter
20 type because that's in the existing proposed language. Line
21 seven would still read, I would add, "And it is difficult to
22 quantify the emotional damage." That is a change, as was
23 originally noted. When we get down to the next line I would read
24 the following, "as we consider these matters it is important to
25 keep in mind that virtually all of the negative consequences are
26 not caused by gambling per se, but by problem or pathological
27 behavior relating to it." And then it would continue as it was
28 originally proposed.

29 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: May I just make this comment?

1 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Sure.

2 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: Which I hope will be seen as
3 somewhat friendly. The language that you put in, many of these
4 costs are hidden. I don't know about hidden, but I do agree with
5 your language they are difficult to quantify.

6 COMMISSIONER LANNI: That's the only change from the
7 original text.

8 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: Right. Now, I don't have a
9 problem with that language. Indeed, the way we worded the
10 research proposal was very carefully to get at that that we're
11 seeking to find out if we could even design an instrument, a
12 reliable instrument that would measure this, because we don't
13 know the answer to that. Maybe it would turn out to be
14 impossible. So, I don't agree with -- pardon me. I don't
15 disagree with your -- your characterization of this is very
16 difficult to quantify. It's only after that that I think we get
17 into, if you'll forgive me, somewhat considerable overstatement.

18 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: Yeah, I don't think I heard any
19 objection to, "and it is difficult."

20 COMMISSIONER LEONE: I have one other question, which
21 is of an importance to me that I was going to get to it as --
22 this replaces the end reality of those hidden costs, "The
23 emotional costs of addictive behavior concern us far more than
24 the annual economic expense of problem or pathological gamblers"?
25 I would have a lot -- I would have a lot of trouble with that
26 language coming out of here. I can come up with lots of examples
27 of things with positive economic effects that I'm not for.

28 COMMISSIONER LANNI: That's not the intent.

29 COMMISSIONER LEONE: Okay. So, that stays in.

1 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I know this has convoluted the
2 whole process, the question has been called, but it would stay
3 in.

4 COMMISSIONER LEONE: And the -- manager of your
5 laryngitis.

6 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: Yeah.

7 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: May I renew my request, please,
8 that whatever changes are going to be made in this section, if we
9 could have the staff type them up and with certainty get back to
10 it in a little while, as soon as you think it should be fit back
11 into the discussion?

12 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Sure. We'll table that and move on.

13 COMMISSIONER LANNI: The next one is chapter seven, of
14 course, page four, lines 10 through 14, 41 through 42. Again,
15 rather than take the time to read it, if you would take a look at
16 the page four which I've included, which has the diamond and the
17 stars are two different points here. The first --

18 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: Could we just make sure we're
19 catching up with you?

20 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I'm sorry. Sure. It's page four,
21 line number 10 through 14, 41 and 42.

22 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: Chapter seven.

23 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Page four.

24 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: I'm looking at page four in the
25 binder.

26 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Right. Which it is.

27 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: All right. Now, your language is
28 where?

29 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Well, it should be in the

1 documents that are submitted. Star David and then the taggle.

2 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: Page four. Thank you.

3 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Okay. Before you read it, the
4 reason I was raising this, I think it does -- we need to address
5 the issue of co-morbidity. I think it's poorly worded. And
6 suggest a clarifying language which I think is necessary to point
7 out that illegal gambling can complicate social -- complications.
8 So, with that in mind, if you read that and then the proposed
9 language it would be helpful.

10 By the way, the one on the Star David is -- I'm
11 withdrawing, so you can overlook that.

12 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: The whole page?

13 COMMISSIONER LANNI: It's on the same page. The one on
14 the -- further the typed. So, if you just read lines 10 through
15 14. I'm deleting the 41 through 42. My request is to review
16 lines 10 through 14. And the next page gives the suggested
17 action.

18 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: So, you're withdrawing that one?

19 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: May I make a suggestion,
20 because I do think it is fair to try to estimate costs with co-
21 morbidity in mind. As a matter of fact, specifically in several
22 parts of that outstanding research program which the Commission
23 has adopted unanimously in its wisdom, its profound, infinite
24 wisdom.

25 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: In your wisdom.

26 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: We do -- we do try to get at
27 the problem of co-morbidity, because its a totally legitimate
28 problem. So, how much of the cost of negative outcomes we
29 ascribe to pathological gambling versus how much we ascribe to

1 other existing, co-existing disorders, is a very tough question
2 and one it is very fair to ask for.

3 Now, looking at your language here, however -- let me
4 get to the point I noticed a moment ago. "To the extent
5 pathological gambling is a symptom of another disorder," I don't
6 know what that means.

7 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: That's the language he wants to
8 replace. He wants to replace that language with this.

9 COMMISSIONER LEONE: That's the existing language.

10 COMMISSIONER LANNI: That's right. That is --

11 COMMISSIONER LEONE: You need this package.

12 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: I've got the package. And that
13 replaces the paragraph you were just questioning, as I understand
14 it.

15 I don't have a problem with a good deal of this
16 language. I do -- I'm puzzled by the sentence that begins:

17 "Only to the extent that researchers can isolate
18 the effects of pathological gambling on, say,
19 marital stability from the effects of co-existing
20 conditions like drug abuse can researchers
21 determine the net negative effects on pathological
22 gambling on marriage."

23 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: That's just used by way of
24 example. I assume you could take any example.

25 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: Yeah. No, I appreciate your
26 example. But because we know virtually nothing about
27 -- about how disorders that share co-morbidity, where more than
28 one person interacts with each other, trying to establish causal
29 relationships.

1 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Does anyone want to drop from
2 "only on" to -- would that be --

3 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: That would help.

4 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Terry, may I offer a friendly
5 amendment?

6 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Sure.

7 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I think I could accept all three
8 of these paragraphs if in line two where you say, "Legalized
9 gambling ledger only net social and economic costs."

10 COMMISSIONER LANNI: I think that's a good addition.

11 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Okay.

12 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: So, we've added "social and
13 economic."

14 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: You did add "only"?

15 COMMISSIONER LANNI: No. He's saying only net social
16 and economic costs.

17 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: No, the second paragraph.

18 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Oh, I'm sorry. In the second
19 paragraph, after the footnote six, beginning with the word "only"
20 and ending with the word "marriages" would be deleted.

21 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Question has been called. All in
22 favor? Any opposed?

23 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Thank you. Page number five
24 through six, and that's line number 26, and then 27 and 31, and
25 45 too. And this has, I'll let you read it, but the Commission
26 received hundreds of pages of testimony from local officials, and
27 we just didn't include anything in here giving some reference to
28 those mayors who appeared before us, so I'm suggesting that we
29 add that new language as an insert. And that, "The Commission

1 also heard from scores of local officials in jurisdictions where
2 casinos are located. Among those who informed the Commissioners
3 with their testimony were" -- well, it lists all the mayors. "We
4 also heard from these mayors. Without exception, these elected
5 officials expressed support for gambling and recited instances of
6 increased revenues for their cities. They also discussed
7 community improvements made possible since the advent of gambling
8 in their communities, and reviewed the general betterment of life
9 for the citizenry in their cities and towns."

10 We have other instances of people who didn't think
11 that it did. So, I think for balance we should include the ones
12 that did, not saying that we agree or disagree with those
13 individual mayors.

14 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: I would support the inclusion of
15 this because it just reflects our record. I would point out,
16 however, that we're missing some mayors. Maybe the staff could -
17 - for example, we're missing Mayor Whalen of Atlantic City and
18 Mayor Jones of Las Vegas.

19 COMMISSIONER LANNI: There were references in other
20 parts of the --

21 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: To them?

22 COMMISSIONER LANNI: To them. In other parts of
23 different chapters.

24 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: That's fine.

25 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Madame Chair, is this item
26 seconded?

27 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: It has not been seconded.

28 COMMISSIONER LEONE: I second the motion.

29 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Is this the substitute -- this is

1 an insert and doesn't replace anything else?

2 COMMISSIONER LANNI: No. This is just an insert to the

3 --

4 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: I've got it. May I offer a
5 friendly amendment? Instead of "scores", could you say "a
6 number" or even "many"? Scores bothers me.

7 COMMISSIONER LANNI: All right. Scores is --

8 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: I like "many." I like "number"
9 better.

10 COMMISSIONER LANNI: What would you like?

11 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Number.

12 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Any number. All in favor? Any
13 opposed? Next?

14 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Well, we have the issues on page
15 21, there's still a couple more on that particular one. Page 21
16 of the report, I suggested new language. This has to do with the
17 information supplied regarding the economic impact of gambling on
18 the host communities. I think it's inadequate. And the
19 reference, "we've got problems in our bankruptcies" deserves more
20 in-depth discussion, as we've obviously suggested additional
21 research on that. So, I have new language that I'm suggesting
22 there. And that is on page 21 with the documents that I have
23 presented to you. It's a copy of page 21 from the report, with
24 modifications that I'm suggesting.

25 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: All right. So, we want to look at
26 page 21 in the binder.

27 COMMISSIONER LANNI: You can look at the binder, but
28 it's right there.

29 COMMISSIONER LEONE: The package -- page 21 is a

1 substitute for something that's on page five, that is marked page
2 five in the back.

3 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Should we call a few minute recess?
4 Why don't we call a five minute recess and make sure all of our
5 papers are cleared up, and this will go so much more smoothly.

6 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Commissioner Lanni.

7 COMMISSIONER LANNI: If I could return to -- while we
8 are looking at this document, if I could turn to chapter seven,
9 page number four, and the one that we had asked for a rewrite, I
10 have presented this to several Commissioners, they seemed to be
11 comfortable with it. The new language would be in line four,
12 six, seven -- line six, excuse me, would still be "And it is
13 difficult." I think we agreed with that. "To quantify the
14 emotional damage.

15 The next sentence, which was a bother for people,
16 beginning with "as" and ending with the word "behavior" would be
17 deleted, and we would merely go with the following:

18 "As NORC indicated in its report, in a number of
19 respects, the tangible impacts from problem
20 gambling can be thought of as analogous to the
21 economic impacts of alcohol abuse. In both
22 situations, inappropriate and/or excess
23 participation in a legal and widely pursued
24 leisure activity can exact an undesirable toll on
25 individuals, family friends, and the surrounding
26 community. That would be my proposal.

27 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: Great. Hearing no objection, it is
28 done.

29 COMMISSIONER LEONE: Could I just clarify my own

1 -- does that mean that the language is to be inserted as stated?

2 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: As it was read.

3 COMMISSIONER LANNI: We're back to the issue of the co-
4 morbidity -- host communities, excuse me. Host communities,
5 which I've proposed.

6 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: This is the one with all the
7 mayors in it?

8 CHAIRWOMAN JAMES: No. We've done the mayors.

9 COMMISSIONER LANNI: We've done the mayors. This is
10 the one we've asked you to review, and that's when we found that
11 some people didn't have it. It's page 21.

12 COMMISSIONER WILHELM: Oh. Okay.

13 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Beginning with "In the community."
14 And the word that is in there is "case studies." It should be
15 "analysis." That's a typo. "In the community analysis conducted
16 by NORC." The change would be the reference to NORC again.

17 "The NORC 100 community database analysis of
18 Casino proximity reported that there is a
19 statistically significant casino effect on per
20 capita casino spending on four of five employment
21 measures and on seven of 16 income-earning
22 measures. This analysis also found that there is
23 marked decrease in the percentage of the labor
24 force that is unemployed, a slight increase in
25 construction earnings, an increase in actual per
26 capita construction earnings and a substantial
27 percentage increase in earnings, in hotel --
28 excuse me, hotel and lodgings and recreation and
29 amusement industries."

1 And that's cited as 14.

2 "A study conducted for the national Institute of
3 Justice, Office of Justice Programs, U.S.
4 Department of Justice, provides additional
5 evidence of the economic impact of gambling on
6 host communities. The study reports that a clear
7 majority, 59 percent of the 128 individuals
8 interviewed, were favorably disposed towards the
9 presence of a casino in their community. Both
10 believe the casino enhanced the quality of life 65
11 percent, had a positive effect on the economy 77
12 percent."

13 And that's cited.

14 "And those individuals in economic development
15 positions tended to be overwhelmingly positive
16 toward casinos with 95 percent, indicating casinos
17 had a positive impact -- excuse me, economic
18 impact on the community, and 86 percent said it's
19 improved the quality of life of residents. I
20 would propose that that language be amended and
21 included accordingly."

22 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Madame Chair, I don't know that -
23 - I don't know that I have any serious problem with this, but two
24 thoughts occur to me that I just want to share with my -- with my
25 friends on the Commission here.

26 One is that this is a pretty small sample that we're
27 heading upon here. It reminds me of the size of the sample in
28 the interview survey of pari-mutuel gambling. And -- what you
29 fellas said earlier about we really can't rely on those numbers

1 too much. But I'll go along with you. I'll go along with you.

2 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: Well, if we took out all of the
3 community analysis and take out all the patron survey, I'll be
4 happy.

5 COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: And the second thing I wanted
6 to mention was that it's just encourage after a year of
7 occasional differences with people -- the NORC research report,
8 to see it endorsed in such strong terms.

9 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: I don't mean this in a -- I don't
10 mean this in an offensive way, but I -- I am a little uneasy
11 about it. I'm quite confident that these citations are
12 accurately taken from the report. But what I don't know off the
13 top of my head is how selective they are. If the NORC report
14 also included a variety of other measures that would have made
15 for a more mixed picture, or if the National Institute of Justice
16 report that's referred to here had other points in it. And I'm
17 just a little -- I mean, there's no -- I have no problem with,
18 obviously, citing official reports like that, including one that
19 we commissioned ourselves. I just want to make sure -- I don't
20 want the spirit of cooperation to go too far.

21 It's my understanding that at least some of those 125
22 individuals -- 128 individuals -- were casino executives, which
23 would cast doubt on the findings as well. I'm not absolutely
24 positive of that, but that's our memory of it. Have we seen this
25 study? This was in evidence?

26 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: You're talking about the GOG
27 study?

28 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: That's right. I don't remember
29 it either, and that's a second concern. The first paragraph is

1 no problem for me, from a study conducted through the 77 percent
2 figure there. I have those two concerns. One, the objectivity
3 of those 128 individuals, and secondly, whether we've seen this
4 before, whether it's in evidence. Because I don't remember
5 seeing that study.

6 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Jim, what would you like to have
7 deleted?

8 COMMISSIONER DOBSON: Starting with the study and
9 ending with 77 percent, until we know more about that study and
10 who the sample was.

11 COMMISSIONER LANNI: Let's let it go and I'll redact
12 that and remove it.

13