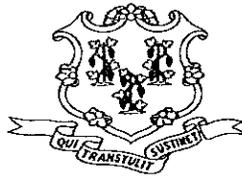


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LEGISLATORS TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF VIDEO GAMING

Task Force Looking at Pari-Mutuels Convenes

Legislators from the surrounding municipalities where existing pari-mutuel establishments are located are looking at the possibility of expanding video gaming into those facilities. Lawmakers from Bridgeport, New Haven and Windsor Locks will explore the idea of bringing video slots to the Shoreline Star in Bridgeport, Sports Haven in New Haven and the Tele-Theater in Windsor Locks. A legislative task force to study the feasibility of the idea will meet monthly until the start of the 2014 General Assembly session. Co-Chairs of the task force are State Representative **Peggy Sayers** (D-Windsor Locks, Windsor) and State Senator **Andres Ayala** (D-Bridgeport)

“Our neighboring states all have designs on opening their own casinos which will further erode the revenue generated at Foxwoods and Mohegan,” said Deputy Speaker **Peggy Sayers** (D-Windsor Locks). “If we can keep Connecticut dollars here in state it can translate into local job creation.”

A report funded by Scientific Games shows the trend is away from destination based casino trips in favor of gaming trips closer to home. In Fairfield County, for example, patrons are frequenting Aqueduct and Yonkers for video slots as opposed to traveling to Mohegan or Foxwoods.

“Connecticut needs to take bold, proactive steps to secure our state's vital gaming revenue stream. Adding slot machines to existing pari-mutuel facilities will stimulate economic growth in our state and create new jobs for Connecticut residents,” said Senator **Andres Ayala** (D-Bridgeport). “As neighboring states begin their own forays into the gaming industry, it is critical that we act now to remain competitive.”

Any potential expansion of video gaming would need the permission of both Foxwoods and Mohegan Casinos along with the state of Connecticut. If approved, revenue would be shared between the municipality, state and local tribes.

Task force members also include:

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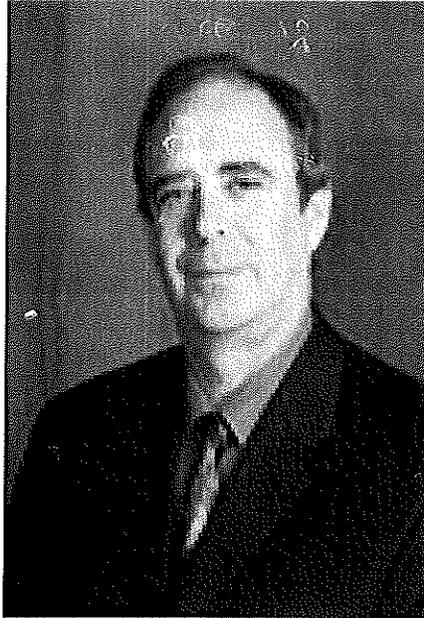
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