

April 1, 2015

Representative Alissa Keny-Guyer, Chair House Human Services & Housing Committee 136 State Capitol Building 900 Court Street, NE Salem, Oregon 97310

> Re: Public Hearing, **HB3318**, Establishes Oregon State Lottery Responsible Gaming Code of Practices. (Amending 461.200)

Dear Representative Keny-Guyer and Committee Members,

It is the opinion of many in our community that tying video lottery gambling to establishments that offer alcohol increases the probability that alcohol consumption will influence problem gambling.

It will be difficult to impose limitations on the amount of money, or time, spent playing lottery games. It will lead to adverse consequences for the gambler, the gambler's family and/or the gambler's community.

It might be worth considering the separation of the video lottery from the establishments serving alcohol. It might eliminate, certainly reduce the problem of State sanctioned problem gambling.

The past years, we've heard about how important, how necessary, or lucrative video lottery is to a "viable" business. Consider eliminating the association of OLCC and OSL. Spin off Video Lottery to contract with Video Lottery applicants for a "clean" sanitized, no deli or food operation.

Operate just Video Lottery. No liquor, no recreational marijuana, just a video lottery arcade with nothing but soft drinks.

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