



SPONSOR: Rep. Oberle

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
141st GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 63

CREATING A COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF INSTITUTING SPORTS GAMING ACTIVITIES
AT EXISTING GAMING VENUES IN DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, gubernatorial candidates in our neighboring State of Pennsylvania have made legalization of casino
2 style gambling, commonly referred to as "Racino Gaming", part of their respective platforms; and

3 WHEREAS, there will be a gubernatorial change in the year 2002 in our sister State of Maryland that may lead
4 to a similar situation; and

5 WHEREAS, marketing studies have quantified that a significant number of Delaware Video Lottery Terminal
6 players come from these two states, as well as from states that are contiguous to those states; and

7 WHEREAS, revenues from Delaware's VLT operations generate a significant portion of our General Fund
8 revenues and have economically reinvigorated a large segment of our Agri-Business community (Standardbred and
9 Thoroughbred Racing Industry and suppliers and providers); and

10 WHEREAS, the preservation and enhancement of this source of revenue is critical to both the State of Delaware
11 and the Agri-Business sector in the State; and

12 WHEREAS, the State of Delaware is one of only four states (Delaware, Nevada, Montana and Oregon) that by
13 federal law have the opportunity to participate in the legal activity of what is commonly referred to as "Sports Gaming";
14 and

15 WHEREAS, it has been established that in 1999 \$23 billion was legally wagered in Nevada casinos on sports
16 related activities; and

17 WHEREAS, the State of Delaware recognizes the importance of properly regulating all gaming activities to
18 insure against illegal and unlawful acts and to do so in an environment where legally sanctioned activities already take
19 place:

20 NOW, THEREFORE:

21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 141st General Assembly of the State of Delaware that
22 a committee to study the feasibility of instituting sports gaming at existing gaming venues is hereby created.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this study committee should attempt to quantify the potential economic
24 benefit of such gaming to the State of Delaware and the Agri-Business community in the State.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this study committee shall have the following members:

- 26 1. The Executive Director of the Delaware Standardbred Owners Association (DSOA) or their
27 designee; and
- 28 2. A person designated by the President of Delaware Park LLC; and
- 29 3. A person designated by the President of Dover Downs Gaming and Entertainment Inc.; and
- 30 4. A person designated by the President of Harrington Raceway; and
- 31 5. The Director of the Delaware Council on Gambling Problems, Inc. or their designee; and
- 32 6. The Secretary of the Department of Finance or their designee, who shall serve as Chair of the
33 Committee; and
- 34 7. Two (2) members of the public, one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representative and
35 one appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives; and
- 36 8. Two (2) members of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the Speaker of the House
37 and one appointed by the Minority Leader.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee shall present an advisory report to the House of
39 Representatives by January 15, 2003.

SYNOPSIS

This Resolution creates a Committee to study the feasibility of instituting sports gaming activities at existing gaming venues in Delaware.



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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

142nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 16

EXTENDING THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF INSTITUTING SPORTS GAMING AT EXISTING GAMING VENUES REPORTING DATE.

1 WHEREAS, a committee to study the feasibility of instituting sports gaming at existing gaming venues was
2 created by House Resolution No. 63 of the 141st General Assembly; and

3 WHEREAS, this committee needs additional time to complete their report; and

4 WHEREAS, this committee will be able to complete their report by May 30, 2003 without affecting the intent of
5 the report.

6 NOW, THEREFORE:

7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 142nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware
8 that the reporting date for the Committee to study the feasibility of instituting sports gaming at existing gaming venues be
9 extended to May 30, 2003.

SYNOPSIS

This Resolution extends the due date for the Committee to study the feasibility of instituting sports gaming at existing gaming venues to report their findings to the Delaware General Assembly.