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## Gambling Alert - February 21, 2022



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### **Illinois gamblers bet nearly \$61 million on Super Bowl**

Illinois gamblers wagered nearly \$61 million on the Super Bowl, regulators announced Tuesday, a 33% increase from last year when the big game was on the board legally for the first time in state history.

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### **MCCORMICK PLACE CEO: CASINO COULD THROW WRENCH IN CONVENTION BUSINESS**

The CEO of McCormick Place raised potential roadblocks Tuesday to casino proposals that involve the convention center's property and said changes in state law may be needed before its sites can accommodate gambling. [Read](#)

### **Blumenthal & Blackburn Introduce Comprehensive Kids' Online Safety Legislation**

[WASHINGTON, D.C.] – U.S. Senators Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) and Marsha Blackburn (R-TN), Chair and Ranking Member of the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Data Security, today introduced the *Kids*

*Online Safety Act*, comprehensive bipartisan legislation to enhance children's safety online. **“This measure makes kids’ safety an internet priority,”** said Blumenthal. **“Protecting our kids and teens online is critically important, particularly since COVID increased our reliance on technology,”** said Blackburn. [Read](#)

### **\Jack Ritchie inquest: Parents hope for gambling laws change**

The parents of a 24-year-old gambling addict hope an inquest into his death will speed up changes in betting laws. Jack Ritchie, who had been gambling since he was 17, took his own life in November 2017. [Read](#)

#### ***For Immediate Action***

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