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Gambling Action Alert - October 15, 2021



IL Gaming Board delays decision eliminating one south suburban casino contender

Following a closed-door session, Marcus Fruchter, the gaming board's administrator, said that decision could come up for a vote at the board's Oct. 20 meeting.

Fruchter said the gaming board remains on pace to grant the license to one of the four applicants by early January. [Read more](#)

Finalists for Waukegan casino license make their pitch to IL Gaming Board

Full House Resorts Inc. and North Point Casino, the two remaining contenders, touted their proposals to the Illinois Gaming Board Wednesday during a virtual meeting. [Read more](#)

Related: Lee said Full House decided to cater to an upscale crowd after the table gaming tax rate in the state was lowered. [Read more](#)

Bo Jackson joins Calumet City Casino group

The Heisman-winning running back and former White Sox slugger — and the face of one of Nike's most famous advertising campaigns — has become an equity partner in the proposed Southland Live Casino, which is looking to hit pay dirt in Calumet City. [Read](#)

Des Plaines Gas Station told Gaming 'Kiosks' Not Allowed

A decision whether to penalize the business owner or demand that the machines be taken out or unplugged will likely be made at the city's next court hearing on Dec. 2... while the state statute allows the machines

to operate, the city can place stricter provisions if it wants [Read](#)

Veto Session begins next week (Oct. 19-21, Oct. 26-28)

Municipal League urging Senate to pass [SB 521](#)

The Illinois Municipal League said it supports one of the provisions included in the bill; a component that raises the annual cap on video gaming terminal fees for non-home rule communities. [Read](#)

NOTE: SB 521 expands sports gambling by allowing betting on ALL Illinois college sports and allows sports gambling licenses for another, smaller venue (Chicago Sky).

SB 521 allows nationally recognized veterans and fraternal organizations to apply for a video gambling license without having a liquor license. These organizations could operate video gambling in “dry” communities that do not allow the sale of alcohol and in cities or counties that “opted out” of video gambling. Chicago and Cook County are exempt.

Limits to \$250 the amount a home rule municipality can charge per video gambling machine. Municipalities could not charge a “push-tax” on video gambling.

New bill ([SB 2913](#)) Authorize Sports Gambling License for Chicago Sky - WNBA team

[Related:](#) Sky Owner Fined For Unregistered Lobbying Of Lightfoot Over Gaming Bill

RACING BOARD — Illinois Racing Board Comm. Alan Henry called for lawmakers to rewrite the state’s gaming laws to bolster the payout for the state’s horse racing industry. Henry said advance deposit wagering was diverting too much money away from “horsemen’s purses.” [Read](#)

For Immediate Action

- [Call your State Senator](#) and ask him/her to **Oppose SB 521**
- to expand sports gambling for all IL College Sports and expand video gambling. Ask Senators to **Vote NO on SB 2913** to expand gambling at sports facilities.
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