

Speaker DeLeo's Plan for Jobs and Economic Growth An Act to Establish Expanded Gaming in the Commonwealth

Expanded Gaming:

- Authorizes 2 resort casinos and slots at the 4 race tracks of the Commonwealth.
- Provides 15,000 jobs for the residents of the Commonwealth.
- Provides the Commonwealth with an additional source of immediate and long-term revenue.
- Requires a private capital investment of \$500 million from each resort casino and \$75 million from each race track.
- Delivers \$260 million in up-front licensing fees to the Commonwealth.
- Authorizes up to 750 slot machines at each race track.
- Reauthorizes simulcasting at the Commonwealth's race tracks until July 31, 2014.

Oversight:

- Creates the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to oversee expanded gaming in the Commonwealth.
 - Commission is headed by a 5-member professional board appointed by a majority vote of the Governor, Attorney General, and Treasurer.
 - Commissioners are to be appointed according to skill and expertise, including: 1 member with experience in legal and gaming policy issues, 1 member with experience in corporate finance and securities, 1 member with experience in criminal investigations and law enforcement, 1 member who is a CPA with knowledge of corporate auditing, and 1 member with at least 5 years experience in public or business administration.
 - Commission will handle casino licensing based on a rigorous regulatory scheme.
- Establishes an Investigations and Enforcement Bureau within the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to act as the primary enforcement agent for regulatory matters. Regulators will be present at gaming establishments 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.
- Establishes a Division of Gaming Enforcement within the Office of the Attorney General to work with the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to enforce criminal violations of the gaming laws.

- Establishes a Gaming Enforcement Unit within the State Police to specialize in gaming enforcement which shall work with the bureau and the division.
- Commission will be funded by fees and assessments on gaming operators.
- Strengthens economic crimes laws to include new crimes of money laundering and enterprise crime with tough penalties.
- Creates a 12-member Gaming Policy Advisory Council, including constitutional officers, legislative appointments, and representatives of tourism, organized labor, gambling addiction, and host communities.

Accountability:

- Commission conducts a review of the operations and investments of each resort casino every 5 years.
- Resort casinos are required to apply for renewal every 15 years.
- Race tracks are required to apply for renewal every 5 years.
- Employees at the Division of Gaming Enforcement and the Massachusetts Gaming Commission are subject to a code of ethics more restrictive than that of other state employees.

Aid:

- Directs 100% of revenue from racetrack slots to the Gaming Local Aid Fund until resort casinos are operational.
 - Delivers \$100 million annually for local aid.
- Gaming Local Aid Fund
 - Receives 30% of the tax on gross gaming revenue.
- Community Mitigation Fund
 - Assists contiguous communities in offsetting costs.
 - Receives \$15 million from licensing fees.
 - Receives 2% of the tax on gross gaming revenue.
- Public Health Trust Fund
 - Assists those affected by compulsive gambling.
 - Receives \$5 million dollars annually assessed on all gaming operators by the Commission.

- Local Capital Projects Fund
 - Receives \$40 million from licensing fees.
 - Receives 7% of the tax on gross gaming revenue.

- Manufacturing Fund
 - Receives \$50 million from licensing fees.

- Community College Fund
 - Receives \$25 million from licensing fees.

- Massachusetts Tourism Fund
 - Receives \$3 million from licensing fees.
 - Receives 1% of the tax on gross gaming revenue.

- Economic Stabilization Fund
 - Receives 30% of the tax on gross gaming revenue.

- Education Fund
 - Receives 30% of the tax on gross gaming revenue.