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Co-sponsorship Memo

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TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator Jane M. Earll 

SUBJECT: Legislation amending the Gaming Act by making Philadelphia's second Category 2 Slot Machine License available throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania now that it has been revoked from Philadelphia Entertainment and Development Partners, LP (Foxwoods).

I am planning on introducing legislation in conjunction with Senator John N. Wozniak that would amend Part II (Gaming) of Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, known as the Pennsylvania Horse Race Development and Gaming Act (Gaming Act) by further providing for Category 2 slot machine licenses.

Specifically, this legislation would take one of the two Category 2 slot machine license mandated to a city of the first class (Philadelphia) and instead make it available throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania now that the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board (PGCB) has revoked the Philadelphia Entertainment and Development Partners, LP (Foxwoods) license. The City of Philadelphia would remain eligible as a potential site for the Category 2 slot machine license, although a city of the second class (Pittsburgh) would continue to be limited to the one Category 2 license facility (previously issued and currently operating) and any existing mileage limitations would also continue to apply throughout the Commonwealth.

This legislation is similar to legislation that was reported out, as amended by my amendment, of the Senate Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development during the 2009-2010 Session (see Senate Bill 831, Printer's Number 2005).

If you would either like to co-sponsor this legislation and/or have any questions, please contact Lauren Williams at lclark@pasen.gov.