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To: Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee  
From: Edward Rusczyk, Owner, Grand Central Sports Bar, Wallingford, Ct.  
Re: Please support HB 7054, An Act Concerning Keno  
Date: 4/13/15

My name is Edward Rusczyk, I have been the sole permittee and owner at Grand Central Sports Bar in Wallingford, Ct for almost 28 years.

About 2 years ago I was approached by the Ct Lottery to introduce lotto in my establishment. After talking to my customers I agreed to the terms and took the course. It has been running smoothly since with the customers enjoying playing their numbers while having a drink or picking up dinner. This introduction has helped boost my business in a tough economy.

I believe the introduction of keno will further help my sales and the sales of the surrounding community. I have customers who enjoy scratch tickets, playing numbers, bingo and even going to the casino. The casinos are almost 2 hours from us and now the new proposed casino in Massachusetts will be about 2 hours also. I can see people preferring to go to Ma for cheaper gas and beer prices ultimately loosing more money for our state.

Keno is an enjoyable low stakes game that has some of the best odds in gambling. I believe it will boost business in about 3000 lottery retailers throughout the state. The State of Ct receives more money from the Ct Lottery each year than from both casinos. I think it is time for change. Bring Keno to our State to help with the deficit and in turn help small business owners.

Very truly yours,