

Hi,

I am disappointed that many of our legislators wish to see more casinos in our state especially at the State's borders.

The results of numerous studies have shown that casinos of any size lower property values and the impact of gambling is worse on the poor and lower-income people. This is evident by looking at Atlantic City and Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods where many of the jobs they initially created are no longer there. Also, the overall attendance is down, revenue is down and the gambling addiction is up.

I ask that you don't approve change in our laws just so we can get a little more revenue from these casinos. I would like to see our elected officials cut costs by reducing the number of State employees or on the flip side, reduce business taxes/fees so CT is more business friendly which will in turn generate the additional revenue you're looking for.

Thank you.

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