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To: pstestimony; Sen. Kissel, John A.; Ginny Young
Subject: We are AGAINST Senate bill 1090

Both my wife and I are 100% against placing ANY new casino's in CT especially in Enfield, our home town.

Does the state really believe that there is an "untapped stream" of gamblers out here that just are too lazy to go to one of the two massive casinos already here in CT? Busses leave from here on a daily basis carrying the elderly and a dedicated group of residents from a wide area, including Massachusetts residents. All you have to do is go to the commuter lot near Macy's and check out the license plates. So, by placing a new casino here in town would essentially dilute what traffic the current casinos see from here. It would not be a new stream of income and would be an eyesore here as well. Of course this state will never not adopt any idea that will generate even one dollar of new taxes. How they think this would work in their favor is questionable. In addition the casinos in CT are already laying off people in their own facilities. No longer is the traffic 24/7 like it was in the beginning. Other major gambling cities like Atlantic City are also seeing gambling tail off leaving billion-dollar hulking buildings empty right on the boardwalk. So, leave it to the State to think that building a new one in a few locations in the state would be a good idea!

Stay away from gambling as any kind of revenue creating enterprise. Springfield will realize early on what a boondoggle their project will be when no one will be willing to drive that horrible highway to a dumpy city. So much more could have been done there before embracing gambling. Even their own race tracks across that state are failing miserably and the crowd that they attract is, well, not you average Sunday-school caliber.

Enfield already has it's issues. Stirring in a satellite casino here will do absolutely nothing to help our town OR our state.

Sincerely,

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