



ACM Legislative Update 4/16/04

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2004 Omnibus State Government Finance Bill (HF 2684) Includes ACM's Sports Tipboard Language

On Wednesday, April 7, 2004 the Minnesota House Of Representatives heard & passed as amended **HF 2684 - the 2004 Omnibus State Government Finance Bill** by a vote of 90-41. Representative **Jim Rhodes** of St. Louis Park was successful in amending **HF 2684** to include revised language from **HF 2520, ACM's Sports Tipboard Bill**. The Sports-Themed Tipboard amendment (see below) was adopted by an

overwhelming voice vote after an outstanding explanation by Rep. **Rhodes**. The Senate Supplemental Budget Bill does not contain Sports-Themed Tipboard language so the issue will have to be resolved by a Conference Committee yet to be named. House & Senate leadership have yet to determine how to conferee the various House Omnibus Finance Bills with the Senate Supplemental Budget Bill.

Sports-Themed Tipboard Amendment

Rhodes moved to amend H. F. No. 2684, the second engrossment, as amended, as follows:

Page 13, after line 34, insert:

“Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 349.12, subdivision 34, is amended to read:

Subd. 34. [TIPBOARD.] “Tipboard” means a board, placard or other device containing a seal that conceals the winning number or symbol, and that serves as the game flare for a tipboard game, or a board or placard that is not required to contain a seal, but for which the winning numbers are determined in whole or in part by the outcome of one or more professional sporting events.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 349.151, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4c. [SPORTS-THEMED TIPBOARD RULES.] The board may adopt rules for the conduct of tipboards for which the winning numbers are determined in whole or in part by the outcome of one or more professional sporting events. The rules must provide for operation procedures, internal control standards, posted information, records, and reports. The rules must provide for the award of prizes, method of payout, wagers, determination of winners, and the specifications of these tipboards. Cash or merchandise prizes may be awarded in these tipboards.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 349.1711, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. [DETERMINATION OF WINNERS.] When the predesignated numbers or symbols have all been purchased, or all of the tipboard tickets for that game have been sold, the seal must be removed to reveal a number or symbol that determines which of the predesignated numbers or symbols is the winning number or symbol. A tipboard may also contain consolation winners, or winning chances that are determined in whole or in part by the outcome of one or more professional sporting events, that need not be determined by the use of the seal.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 349.211, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2d. [SPORTS-THEMED TIPBOARDS.] The maximum prize which may be awarded for a tipboard for which the winning numbers are determined in whole or in part by the outcome of one or more professional sporting events is \$500. A chance for such a board may not be sold for more than \$10.”

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Page 24, line 27, before “Minnesota” insert “(a)”

Page 24, after line 28, insert:

“(b) Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 349.2127, subdivision 9, is repealed.”

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

2004 Omnibus Charitable Gambling Policy Bill Update

As of 4/14/04 the Minnesota Senate has not yet taken up **HF2521/SF 2435 - the 2004 Omnibus Charitable Gambling Policy Bill**. We believe **HF2521/SF 2435** would likely have been Special Ordered and acted upon by the Senate this week but due to the unfortunate and unexpected death of Senator **Jim Vickerman**'s son on Easter Sunday

this understandably was not possible. The Minnesota Senate will hopefully take up the **2004 Omnibus Charitable Gambling Policy Bill, HF 2521/SF 2435**, in the next several weeks.

ACM extends our deepest sympathies to Senator Jim Vickerman, his lovely wife Wava, and the entire Vickerman family on their loss.

2004 Gambling Bill Introductions

Listed below are the gambling bills introduced since the 4/2/04 ACM Legislative Update (thru 4/14/04):

SF 3024 (Betzold) - Income tax checkoffs for special programs.

As of 4/14/04 21 gambling bills have been introduced in the Minnesota Senate this session and 21 gambling bills have been introduced in the Minnesota House of Representatives this session.

To view all 2003/2004 House Gambling Bills go to the URL below & click on Gambling:

<http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us:8181/housetop.html>

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