

ACM Legislative Update 5/09/06

Omnibus Gambling Bill Passes House

On Monday, May 8, 2006 the Minnesota House Of Representatives heard & passed **SF 2953 the 2006 Omnibus Gambling Policy Bill** *by a vote of 115-13*. No amendments were added by the House to **SF 2953**, so the bill as passed by the Minnesota Senate on 4/25/06 *by a vote of 63-0* is being sent directly to Governor **Tim Pawlenty**. The House version of **SF 2953** was authored by Representatives **Andy Westerberg** of Blaine & **Tom Hackbarth** of Cedar.

SF 2953 is made up of the *GCB's Charitable Gambling Policy Bill, ACM's Bar Bingo & Pull-tab Bill, the 15% allowable expense carry forward language, & the feasibility study pertaining to consolidation and automation of reporting requirements for lawful gambling activities*. The bill is effective the day following final enactment (day after Governor signs bill into law). We will be sending a detailed summary & copy of **SF 2953 the 2006 Omnibus Gambling Policy Bill** as passed by the Minnesota Legislature to ALL CURRENT ACM Members & Associate Members next week after Governor **Pawlenty** signs the bill into law.



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Here is the link to the status page of SF 2953:

http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/revisor/pages/search_status/status_detail.php?b=House&f=SF2953&ssn=0&cy=2005

Here is the link to SF 2953 as passed by the House & Senate:

<http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/bin/bldbill.php?bill=S2953.2.html&session=ls84>