



ACM Legislative Update 6/10/05

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Dear ACM Members, Associate Members, & Friends;

On Friday, June 3, 2005 **Governor Tim Pawlenty** signed into law **Chapter 166 - SF 1555, the 2005 Omnibus Gambling Policy Bill**, which includes a number of changes to Minnesota's Lawful Gambling Statutes. **SF 1555** was authored by **Senator Ann Rest** of New Hope and **Representative Tom Hackbarth** of Cedar. On Monday, May 23, 2005 the Minnesota Senate adopted the **SF 1555** Conference Committee Report and repassed **SF 1555** as amended by Conference by a vote of 56-2. Also on Monday, May 23, 2005 the Minnesota House Of Representatives adopted the **SF 1555** Conference Committee Report and repassed **SF 1555** as amended by Conference by a vote of 114-20. **SF 1555** was presented to the Governor on Tuesday, May 31, 2005.

Enclosed is a 20 page booklet (white insert with blue ink) with the complete details of **Chapter 166 - SF 1555, the 2005 Omnibus Gambling Policy Bill**. This includes the 4th Engrossment of **SF 1555** as passed by the Minnesota Legislature on 5/23/05 and posted on May 26, 2005 and the Senate & House Bill Status Document Displays as of 6/7/05 showing the Official Senate & House Actions on **SF 1555**.

Also enclosed is a 8 page booklet (white insert with black ink) with a GCB Legislative Summary posted June 6, 2005, the GCB Continuing Education Class Schedule as of 6/7/05, and a new LPE Code Summary posted June 6, 2005. A more detailed GCB Summary of 2005 Legislative Changes (with Questions and Answer sections) may be found on pages 6 - 17 of the May/June 2005 GAMING NEWS which was posted June 7, 2005.

A **SPECIAL THANKS** to **Senator Ann Rest** and **Representative Tom Hackbarth** for their hard work on **Chapter 166 - SF 1555, the 2005 Omnibus Gambling Policy Bill**. We would also like to **THANK** the other authors of the bill - Senators **Jim Vickerman** of Tracy, **David Tomassoni** of Chisholm, **Sheila Kiscaden** of Rochester, & **Dave Kleis** of St. Cloud and Representatives **Andy Westerberg** of Blaine, **Sondra Erickson** of Princeton, **Bill Hilty** of Finlayson, & **Joe Hoppe** of Chaska.

Respectfully,

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Executive Director

P.S. - An Allied Charities Of Minnesota Membership Update. We closed Calendar Year 2004 with 964 Members & 92 Associate Members. We **THANK YOU** for your tremendous support and **SINCERELY APPRECIATE** your Membership or Associate Membership in ACM in 2004! As of 6/7/05 we have already received 495 Member Renewals and 57 Associate Member Renewals. ***If you have already sent in your 2005 ACM Registration Form & Dues we THANK YOU, particularly those who do not expire until later in the year.*** If you have not renewed for 2005 enclosed is a generic Renewal Invoice for your 2005 ACM Membership or Associate Membership Dues regardless of your expiration date. Your membership will be extended 12 months from the expiration date of your 2004 ACM Membership or Associate Membership upon receipt of the 2005 Renewal Form & payment. A return envelope is enclosed for your convenience. **Please note that renewal dues are not due until expiration month (see 2004 ACM Membership Certificate) unless you elect to pay them early (WHICH WE DO APPRECIATE AS IT MAKES PLANNING AND BUDGETING FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR MUCH EASIER).** Please note monthly Renewal Notices based on expiration date are generally sent out 3 months in advance of expiration (i.e. in June sent out expirations through September 2005). ***We look forward to working for you and with you again this next year.***