



Meeting of the Joint Subcommittee to Study the Feasibility of Establishing the Virginia Gaming Commission

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Virginia has a gambling problem, it lacks consistent oversight.

- All gambling platforms should be placed under the authority of one body - the Virginia Gaming Commission.
- A gaming commission can:
 - Consistently regulate existing and future gambling.
 - Establish funding mechanisms for programs to mitigate harm from gambling.

Tyson's Stakeholders Alliance Recommends

- Increasing the allocation of gaming tax revenue from all Virginia gambling operations to at least 2.5% annually for problem gambling treatment and research.
- Mandating a pause on any further expansion of gambling in Virginia, including new legislative proposals for brick-and-mortar casinos, until a gaming commission is up and running.

Tyson's Stakeholders Alliance Recommends

- Require the following for any legislative proposals to establish new casinos:
 - Local community input and demonstrated support.
 - A formal request from the local government body for the authority to hold a casino referendum.
 - A thorough and fully objective cost/benefits study commissioned by JLARC.

EVERY REGION IN FAIRFAX COUNTY OPPOSES A CASINO IN TYSONS

