

PLEASE TAKE A 1/2 HOUR TO SAVE OUR CHILDREN'S PARENTS FROM SUICIDE AND IMPRISONMENT, AND PROTECT THEIR HOME AND MONEY FOR FOOD AND MEDICINE BEING FED INTO SLOT MACHINES.

***THE MISSOURI HOUSE AND SENATE ARE CONSIDERING REMOVING THE \$500 LOSS LIMIT THE LARGEST EXPANSION OF GAMBLING SINCE 1994, THE EQUIVALENT OF THREE NEW CASINOS\****

Polite phone calls and letters must be sent immediately to preserve our \$500 Loss Limit because:

- 60,000 Missouri families already suffer from gambling addiction.
- "Pathological gambling is one of the fastest growing mental health problems in the western world." New England Journal of Medicine
- With the loss limit removed, moms, dads and the elderly can lose their home in a day, rather than the months under the Loss Limit protection.
- Up to 60% of gambling dollars for education comes from addicts.
- 20% of gambling addicts attempt suicide - addicts' spouses and children are twice as likely to commit suicide.
- 1/3 of prisoners are addicted to gambling.
- **YOU SUBSIDIZE CASINOS:** In 2002, MO gambling addicts' theft of tax money, incarceration, business embezzlements, bankruptcies and illnesses, cost our families \$572,000,000 more than the casino taxes paid to our State.
- The professional criminal, the mob, drug runners and terrorists will flock to MO casinos to launder money obtained through crime.
- The professional gambler, will be our new "tourist", demanding prostitutes, lap dances and strip clubs as per Las Vegas and Atlantic City.

PLEASE CALL, WRITE OR FAX YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS, TODAY. ASK FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND YOUR CHURCH TO DO THE SAME. THE MESSAGE: "DO NOT REMOVE THE \$500 LOSS LIMIT."

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PLEASE CALL YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATOR.  
[www.senate.mo.gov/lookup/leg\\_lookup.aspx](http://www.senate.mo.gov/lookup/leg_lookup.aspx)  
or call: 573-751-2000 to identify your representatives

*\*There is no bill number. For 10 years, phone calls and faxes to our elected officials have successfully defeated bills to remove the \$500 Loss Limit. **CasiNO Watch** highly expects the removal of the Loss Limit to be attached by amend-ment on a popular, insignificant bill, such as HB592.*

**Also, please write letters to the editor.**

For sources and more information: [www.casinowatch.org](http://www.casinowatch.org)