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Gambling Action Alert



Illinois casinos won't be allowed to stay open 24 hours

Chairman Aaron Jaffe announced at the start of today's Illinois Gaming Board meeting that the request for 24 hour casino gambling was denied. The state's 10 casinos will continue at their present schedule of operating up to 22 hours a day. [Read more:](#)

We thank God and all of you who wrote letters, made phone calls, and testified in opposition to 24-hour casino gambling for this victory!

NEW RESERACH ON GAMBLING

The November issue of **Scientific American** has an article, [How the Brain Gets Addicted to Gambling.](#) Researchers estimate that more than 80 percent of gambling addicts never seek treatment in the first place. And of those who do, up to 75 percent return to the gaming halls, making prevention all the more important.

The Wall Street Journal published an article about how often gamblers actually win. Among the findings is an extreme reliance on revenue from a small number of gamblers. Of the 4,222 casino customers, just 2.8%-or 119 big losers-provided half of the casino's take, and 10.7% provided 80% of the take. [Read More:](#)

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