

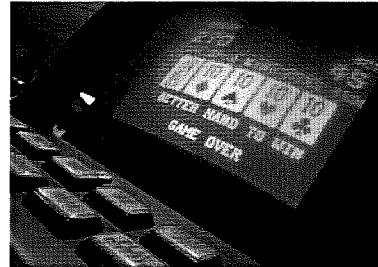


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Gambling Update



Local Gas Stations/Convenience Stores Seek Liquor Licenses for Video Gambling

The Champaign News-Gazette wrote an editorial, "Council right on video gambling", about the decision not to allow gas stations and convenience stores to have on-site consumption of alcohol and video gambling. [Read the full article](#)

Sheridan Village Trustees have been approached by the owner of a BP station/convenience store requesting a liquor license and video gambling machines. A United Methodist pastor spoke out against allowing the machines and noted that many grade school students visit the convenience store after school. The Board tabled the issue to research the issue. [Read the full article](#)

Monitor your City Council/Village Board and speak out to oppose video gambling at gas stations.

Burglaries have been reported at video gambling establishments in Northbrook, [Read the Franklin Park/Sun Times article](#) and Franklin County in Southern Illinois [Watch the video](#)

No online gambling in Illinois until Land-Based Casino Expansion Settled

Senate President John Cullerton said the issue of land-based casino expansion must be addressed before looking at the issue of online gambling. There are currently two proposals: A casino in Chicago owned by the State, and 5 land-based casinos, 5 racetrack casinos, and a study for video gambling at the State Fairgrounds.

Rep. Chad Hays believes a final version of a gambling expansion bill won't look like either of these two proposals, and predicts a vote on gambling after the November election. [Read the full article](#)

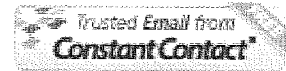
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