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Illinois may move to regulate online fantasy sports games

DraftKings and FanDuel daily fantasy sports companies have registered lobbyists from New York and Washington, D. C. to lobby the Illinois General Assembly, Governor, and Attorney General, the *Pantagraph* reported.

The Illinois Gaming Board said last week it is seeking a legal opinion from Attorney General Lisa Madigan on whether the games are allowed under Illinois law.

... While it remained unclear Monday how Zalewski's proposal would make sports betting legal, there is support among top legislative leaders for legalizing some form of online gambling in Illinois. [Read more](#)

Has fantasy sports crossed the line to become another form of online gambling?

Most online games these days aren't about bragging rights. They're about winning money - in some cases, up to a million dollars. And when substantial sums of money are involved, that's when it starts edging closer to illegal gambling. **When there's an exchange of money based on artificial risk - whether you call it an "entry fee" or a "prize" - it's gambling, plain and simple.**

... The recommendation of the U.S. National Gambling Impact Study Commission, which included members of the gambling industry, was to keep gambling on the Internet illegal. The reason why: **If you have Internet**

gambling, it will bankrupt families and destabilize the economy. That recommendation looks even more prescient, now that everyone has a smartphone in their pocket, a computer on their desk and a tablet on their nightstand.

You can't regulate online gambling. You can only prohibit it. [More](#)

Investigating legality of Daily Fantasy Sports Site

The *Wall Street Journal* reported Preet Bharara, the U. S. Attorney behind the Black Friday indictments that permanently altered the landscape of the global online gambling industry, has turned his attention to daily fantasy sports. [Read more](#)

A gambling expert weighs in: what makes daily fantasy sports so alluring - and dangerous - for young men?

... the typical player is male (66%) and someone who **spends upwards of 18 hours per week consuming sports, with nine of those hours spent engaged in some form of fantasy sports wagering.**

... In a large-scale study among college athletes from 2004 to 2012, we found a **dramatic increase in the number of male and female college student athletes wagering on fantasy sports sites.** [Read more](#)

Online gambling will not solve the State's budget problems. OPPOSE ALL gambling expansion

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