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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3006

Joint Constitutional Revision Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 26, 2003

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Minutes: **Rep. Kretschmar:** Opened hearing on HCR 3006

Rep. Grosz: Discussed intent of bill to allow the citizens of ND to determine whether or not they want to legalize casinos. This doesn't create casinos. ND already has casinos. Rep. Grosz also passed out an amendment to make the casinos non-state owned.

Rep. Maragos: Aside from NJ and NV, are there other states that allow non-reservation casinos? Rep. Grosz noted there are some cities that do and believes Missouri does. Rep. Maragos asked how this will make us more like SD, MT, and MN. Rep. Grosz believes this resolution will put us ahead of the curve with more people coming to ND.

Rep. Kasper: Does not believe money is the problem here. The issue should be economic development. This is a relocation of the gambling to other cities as they are currently in remote areas. This does not change the law. This allows people to vote. At least put it on the ballot and let people speak.

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Rep. Maragos: Was concerned about similar reaction to the lottery. Was wondering if we need to get signatures for this. Rep. Kasper feels this resolution can be put on the ballot without signatures.

Warren DeKrey (ND Council on Gambling Problems, Chairman): Before charitable gambling, leaders in the communities would develop fundraisers to get projects done. Now a large majority of those who come to charitable gambling cannot afford it. We are using money from those who can't afford it to fund our projects. This is not a good bill for North Dakota. More is not always better. Real economic development is the pasta plant. This is not economic development. This is an issue of money v people. We have already added racetrack gambling, pull tab, etc. We only have a certain amount of money and soon we will be cannibalizing each other.

Sen. Seymour: What year did the slot machine come to ND? DeKrey said they came with the casinos in the early 1990s.

Dr. Wilson (Council of Compulsive Gambling): He is not for or against gambling, but he is not for the expansion of gambling. Also does not want to see Indian casinos hurt because they are good for their communities.

Governor Link: This is dangerous because it authorizes the state to create more gambling. If this resolution passes, this will tarnish the integrity of the body.

Christine Kindel (ND Family Alliance): Expansion of gambling causes threats to family and homes. ND already has gambling and will bring this closer to home by bringing it into more communities. There are costs to the community that need to be looked at.

Chair Kretschmar: Closed hearing on HCR 3006.

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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for
Representative Grosz
January 15, 2003

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3006

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 6, 2003 12:42 p.m.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HCR 3006: Joint Constitutional Revision Committee (Rep. Kretschmar, Chairman)
recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends
DO NOT PASS (9 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3006 was
placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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