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URGENT Call to Action to Keep Electronic Gaming

Dear Minnesota Liquor License Holders,

As you may already know, MLBA was the driving force behind getting electronic forms of pull tabs and BINGO into Minnesota bars with charitable gambling back in 2012. Earlier this week the Minnesota House Commerce Committee passed a bill that would substantially and negatively change e-pull-tabs and electronic linked BINGO - reducing player entertainment, AND stripping needed revenue for bars, restaurants, and local charities.

This bill, <u>House File 2366</u> (and its companion bill with the same language, <u>Senate File 1863</u>), changes ALL forms of electronic gaming, both pull-tabs and electronic-linked BINGO. <u>Text of the bill is found here.</u> Current games offered would be illegal and be changed to look substantially different. Playability will no longer be engaging nor appealing - affecting patronage in your establishments. Revenue will be lost!

The bottom line: If this bill is passed, patrons will no longer be able to play these games that support you, your staff, and local charities. The MLBA has testified in opposition and is working to stop this bill.

URGE YOUR STATE LEGISLATORS TO OPPOSE THE BILL BY SENDING THEM AN EMAIL THROUGH THIS MLBA WEBPAGE TODAY!

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advertising it to be.

Our message is:

- This past year has decimated the hospitality industry. This bill is another blow for possible revenue and bringing in needed customers.
- People like the e-tabs! The infrastructure is set up and process has been working for NINE YEARS! The MN Gambling Control Board has approved these games over and over.
- To (literally) change the rules of the game right now, on our struggling industry, on these struggling charities, is unnecessary, irrational, and harsh!

Thank you for your immediate attention to this pressing matter.

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