

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: April 25, 2011  
POSITION: Oppose

BILL NUMBER: SB 162  
AUTHOR: J. Anderson

**BILL SUMMARY: Gambling Control Commission: Advisory Committee**

This bill would allow the California Gambling Control Commission to appoint an unlimited number of members to the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee, requiring that at least three committee members be members of the general public. The committee would be required to meet at least twice a year. It would also require the Department of Justice to file specified violation notices on or before 12 months after the violation occurs.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

The Department of Justice indicates that there would be costs of approximately \$400,000 in 2011-12 and \$387,000 ongoing in the Gambling Control Fund for two Deputy Attorney Generals to provide assistance to the Department of Justice Bureau of Gambling Control to ensure that administrative proceedings are filed timely.

The Gambling Control Commission indicates that there would be minor absorbable costs for travel expenses associated with additional Gaming Policy Advisory Committee meetings.

**COMMENTS**

The Department of Finance is opposed to this bill because it would result in additional costs that are not included in the 2011-12 Budget.

Existing law establishes the California Gambling Control Commission and requires the commission to establish a 10 member Gaming Policy Advisory Committee composed of representatives of controlled gambling licensees and members of the general public in equal numbers. The bill would provide for an unlimited number of committee members by deleting the requirement that the committee be composed of ten members and would require that at least three members of the committee be members of the general public. This bill would also require that the committee would meet at least twice a year and would require the commission and the Department of Justice to consult with the committee to present its recommendations to the Department of Justice. This bill would also require that a notice of violation from the department regarding noncriminal violation of the Gambling Control Act to be filed on or before 12 months after the violation occurs. This bill would prohibit the commission from commencing an action against a gambling establishment, its owners, or its employees for a violation of the act committed independently by a 3<sup>rd</sup>-party provider of proposition player services or its employees.

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Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)							Fund Code
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)							
	CO	PROP							
	RV	98	FC	2010-2011	FC	2011-2012	FC	2012-2013	
0820/Justice	SO	No		--	C	\$400	C	\$387	0567
0855/GamblCtlComm	SO	No		----- No/Minor Fiscal Impact -----					0567
<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>								
0567	Gambling Control Fund								