



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**GAMBLING COMMISSION**

*"Protect the Public by Ensuring that Gambling is Legal and Honest"*

**Commission Position Statement**  
**Senate Bill 6103**  
**March 2009**

At the Washington State Gambling Commission's regularly scheduled meeting on March 12, 2009, the Commissioners discussed Senate Bill 6103, which modifies the definition of gambling. The Commission voted unanimously in support of the bill.

This bill is needed in light of a recent court decision. Our concern with the decision is that it has broader implications than just the case that was before the court. If the definition is left unchanged, the case creates an opening for crimes, such as bookmaking and professional gambling, and other potential circumventions of the Gambling Act.

Because of these concerns, the Commission supports SB 6103.

