



STATE OF WASHINGTON
GAMBLING COMMISSION

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

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NEW COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED
Senator Julia Patterson and Bud Sizemore Appointed to the Gambling Commission

Governor Inslee recently appointed former Senator Julia Patterson and Bud Sizemore as Commissioners to the Washington State Gambling Commission. They will attend their first Gambling Commission meeting in May.



Julia L. Patterson is a former member of the Metropolitan King County Council, Washington State Senate, Washington State House of Representatives and the SeaTac City Council. She launched her public service career by helping to lead the efforts to incorporate the City of SeaTac in 1989. After the successful incorporation vote, she served as a founding member to the first city council, and subsequently at three distinct levels of government – city, county and state. Her public service career spans 24 years.

Julia was raised on a small farm in South King County, and attained degrees from both Washington State University and the University of Washington. She lives in the City of SeaTac with her husband Pat, and their three grown children and four grandchildren all live in area, as well. She continues to serve the community by serving on the Board of Directors for the local YMCA, as well as on the Valley Medical Board of Trustees.



Bud Sizemore is a former Mayor Pro Tempore and member of the Covington City Council, and Legislative Liaison for the Washington State Council of Fire Fighters. He is currently a fire fighter with the Kent Fire Department Regional Fire Authority. He is also the founder and first director of the Kent Firefighters Foundation (the charitable arm of the Kent Firefighters Union), and managed their Toys for Joy Program for four years providing meals and thousands of toys to families in Kent and Covington.

Originally from Columbia Falls, Montana, Bud lives with his wife Sally in Olympia and his 3 children and 5 grandchildren all reside in south King County.

Our Mission: Protect the Public by Ensuring that Gambling is Legal and Honest.

The Washington State Gambling Commission was created by the Legislature in 1973 to regulate gambling. Five citizens are appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate, to act as part-time Commissioners for a single six-year term. The Gambling Commission typically meets once a month to discuss administrative issues, approve new gambling licenses, discuss and approve proposed rule changes, and take action regarding the revocation or suspension of gambling licenses. To learn more about what we do, visit www.wsgc.wa.gov.

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