

MISSOURI VIDEO LOTTERY REGULATORY ACT

Preserving Local Control, Community Choice, & Enforcement

CONCERN

- Communities want to maintain **local control** over businesses in their neighborhoods
- Local leaders want the ability to decide **what is allowed within their borders**

SOLUTION

The Missouri Video Lottery Regulatory Act explicitly protects local authority

- Cities and counties may prohibit video lottery terminals through a local ordinance
- Decisions are made by locally elected officials, not the state

Once an ordinance is adopted, the Missouri Lottery Commission may not license video lottery retailers in that jurisdiction.

ENFORCEMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY (PAID FOR BY GAMING FEES, NOT TAXPAYERS)

- The Act creates a **Missouri State Highway Patrol Gambling Crimes Investigation Fund**
- The Highway Patrol is given clear authority to investigate and enforce video lottery and **illegal gambling laws**
- Dedicated investigators are funded through video lottery fees and revenue
- Enforcement, background checks, inspections, and compliance are **paid for by gaming**
– **not local taxpayers**

BOTTOM LINE: The Missouri Video Lottery Regulatory Act delivers statewide regulation with local choice, ensuring communities remain in control of their own decisions.

Cities and counties participating in the Video Lottery Program receive direct local revenue without raising property or local sales taxes.