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Subject: [TAC-Commissioners Court] Re: Game rooms

Commissioner McCoy: The 8-liner slot machines found in game rooms do not qualify as a sweepstakes contest under the Business and Commerce Code and the operators are subject to criminal prosecution under the Penal Code. Law enforcement has found it difficult to gather evidence of the illegal gambling and other illegal activities because they are usually not allowed on the premises without a warrant. However, under the provisions of H.B. 892, all counties may adopt regulations requiring 24/7 access by law enforcement. Adoption of this provision and other regulations on location and operations by the commissioners court will likely end the illegal operations. Jim Allison



Kerry McCoy - Morris County

Game rooms

Does the Business and Commerce Code 621 and 622 about sweepstakes exempt the game rooms from the penal code 47.01 to 47.06? They are paying hundreds of dollars and thousands of dollars in cash payouts. I am against trying to regulate these actions, I consider them gambling. Some are for it some re against it. What are some others input please.

Thanks Kerry McCoy Pct 2 Commissioner Morris County

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