

## Erie Elks Lodge No. 67

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Honorable Members Pennsylvania House of Representatives Judiciary Committee.

RE/ Your bill to legalize "Riverboat Casino Gambling in Pennsylvania".

Honorable Committee:

By way of introduction I am, JOHN FRANCIS LYNCH, residing at 338 East 38th St., Erie, Pa. 16504, a lifetime resident of Erie. I am Lodge Secretary of Erie Elks Lodge #67 of the Benevolent & Protective Order of the Elks, I also am Trustee of the Erie County Federation of Fraternal & & Social Organizations which I'm representing today.

I wish to thank Mr. Lee Coleman, President Qf the Citizens Against Gambling Expansion for relinquishing his appointment to address you and permitting the Erie County Federation of Fraternal & Social Organizations to address you in his time slot. I also wish to thank your Committee for having this hearing making it possible for all views to be expressed.

Fraternally

John Francis Lynch Lodge Secretary B.P.O. Elks #67

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