

Gaming-Related Bills Introduced at Capitol

Several bills related to gaming have been introduced in the Colorado Legislature.

The bill with the most impact is HB 1272, which amends the Limited Gaming Act to implement the provisions of Amendment 50 passed by Colorado voters in November. The bill was introduced on Feb. 4 and was heard for the first time on Feb. 12 in the House Education Committee, where it passed unanimously with several amendments. It passed through the House on final reading on Feb. 19, at which time it was introduced in the Senate.

SB 50 was introduced on Jan. 7 and has passed through the Senate. The bill would require that the registered elector on the Gaming Commission to reside in Gilpin or Teller counties. The bill was assigned to the House Local Government Committee on Feb. 3, but has not been scheduled for hearing.

HB 1152 would have allowed "instant racing" machines at pari-mutuel facilities. It was defeated in the House Finance Committee.

Commission Action

At its meeting on Feb. 19 in Lakewood, the Gaming Commission:

- Renewed the retail license of Dostal Alley
- Renewed the manufacturer/distributor and operator licenses of Atronic Americas, LLC, and WMS Gaming, Inc.
- Approved proposed changes to Rule 12 related to the approval of, and specifics for, chips and tokens

January Starts Out Positively

Colorado casinos started the new year on a positive note in January, snapping a year-long decline in revenues. Casinos statewide reported \$57.5 million in AGP in January, up 1.5 percent from nearly \$56.7 million in January 2008 and up 18.3 percent from \$48.6 million in December. The increase in January over the same month the previous year was the first such increase since December 2007.

Black Hawk's 20 casinos produced \$41.5 million in AGP in January, up 1.7 percent from \$40.9 million in January 2008 and up 17.3 percent from \$35.4 million in December. Cripple Creek's 16 casinos totaled \$10.7 million in AGP in January, up 8.4 percent from \$9.8 million the previous January and up 21.7 percent from \$8.8 million in December. Central City's six casinos generated \$5.2 million in AGP in January, down 11.2 percent from \$5.9 million in January 2008 but up 20.2 percent from \$4.3 million the previous month.

Casinos statewide paid \$9.2 million in gaming tax proceeds in January.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

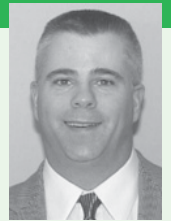
July 2 draws closer every day, and every day the Division of Gaming gets one step closer to being ready for Amendment 50.

The Division will present proposed changes to the Colorado Gaming Regulations related to the implementation of Amendment 50 to the Gaming Commission for its consideration at its March 22 meeting in Lakewood. In addition to proposed changes to the existing rules, the Division will be presenting two new rules, one for craps and one for roulette. Division staff has put in considerable work to review existing rules and draft the new rules. The short period for the industry to comment on the proposed rules yielded valuable insight into the final product that appears on the Rulemaking Hearing page in the Commission section of the Division web site. I would encourage everyone to review the rules before March 22.

In addition to the March Commission meeting, the Division will be meeting with the industry on March 5 and March 11 in Cripple Creek and Central City/Black Hawk respectively to provide an update on Amendment 50. The March 5 meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Double Eagle Casino in Cripple Creek, while the March 11 meeting will start at 1:30 p.m. at the Riviera Casino in Black Hawk. An industry-wide table games meeting will be held prior to the March 11 meeting, starting at 10 a.m., also at the Riviera.

The Division is also looking to provide internal training to our staff in early May on craps and roulette. We are hoping to receive delivery of a crap and roulette table for our Central City and Cripple Creek offices in March, so staff can begin to learn these games and how to regulate them. We are also in the process of filling the 13 positions that the Commission approved to implement Amendment 50. We want to have them on board soon to take advantage of these training opportunities as we move closer to July 2.

—Ron Kammerzell



COLORADO STATE GAMING STATISTICS

	<u>January 2009</u>	<u>December 2008</u>	<u>January 2008</u>	<u>Tax Year to Date</u>
1¢ SLOTS	7,927	7,936	7,284	55,726
COINS IN	297,761,688.05	259,881,384.28	269,858,605.48	2,082,562,549.15
AGP	27,282,327.34	23,447,972.14	25,275,750.93	191,403,480.08
AVG DAILY AGP	111.02	95.39	111.94	111.99
HOLD %	9.16%	9.02%	9.37%	9.19%
5¢ SLOTS	1,314	1,329	1,481	9,398
COINS IN	47,147,713.40	42,657,178.30	55,917,262.85	343,166,941.77
AGP	3,084,114.51	2,750,459.12	3,741,238.72	22,897,358.54
AVG DAILY AGP	75.71	66.81	81.49	79.44
HOLD %	6.54%	6.45%	6.69%	6.67%
25¢ SLOTS	2,227	2,251	2,482	16,059
COINS IN	114,471,885.15	97,116,179.90	126,424,843.25	832,855,344.09
AGP	6,004,158.04	4,958,747.59	6,642,484.19	45,044,207.00
AVG DAILY AGP	86.97	71.12	86.33	91.45
HOLD %	5.25%	5.11%	5.25%	5.41%
\$1 SLOTS	2,365	2,389	2,350	17,196
COINS IN	186,059,374.45	161,785,928.00	188,091,449.36	1,384,090,196.27
AGP	9,362,236.89	7,904,166.23	9,446,709.14	69,342,512.84
AVG DAILY AGP	127.70	106.81	129.67	131.48
HOLD %	5.03%	4.89%	5.02%	5.01%
\$5 SLOTS	238	240	237	1,689
COINS IN	25,815,370.00	22,617,411.87	29,619,850.00	193,006,589.87
AGP	1,557,240.21	772,016.78	1,303,016.00	9,041,780.91
AVG DAILY AGP	211.07	103.85	177.35	174.55
HOLD %	6.03%	3.41%	4.40%	4.68%
OTHER SLOTS*	2,272	2,297	2,419	16,676
COINS IN	146,922,449.36	127,776,872.29	147,708,215.56	1,056,378,652.77
AGP	7,656,541.76	6,577,573.63	7,863,630.18	56,120,602.75
AVG DAILY AGP	108.71	92.45	104.86	109.73
HOLD %	5.21%	5.15%	5.32%	5.31%
BJ TABLES	72	71	66	496
BJ DROP	2,997,736.90	2,582,423.25	2,917,078.24	21,149,241.69
AGP	639,554.90	547,397.25	571,469.74	4,297,311.94
AVG DAILY AGP	286.54	248.90	279.31	282.49
HOLD %	21.33%	21.20%	19.59%	20.32%
POKER TABLES	159	160	151	1,116
POKER DROP	2,585,070.50	2,251,278.00	2,355,909.03	18,579,571.23
AGP	1,962,072.75	1,663,000.64	1,848,252.53	14,231,482.86
AVG DAILY AGP	398.07	398.07	394.84	415.79
HOLD %	23.23%	23.23%	23.27%	21.89%
TOTAL AGP	57,548,246.40	48,621,333.38	56,692,551.43	412,378,736.92
GAMING TAXES	9,294,275.23	7,427,418.77	9,280,637.28	45,244,688.95
# OF CASINOS	40	40	41	42
AVG. DAYS OPEN	31.00	30.98	31.00	30.67
*10¢, 50¢, \$2 and Multi-Denomination Slots				

CRIPPLE CREEK GAMING STATISTICS

	<u>January 2009</u>	<u>December 2008</u>	<u>January 2008</u>	<u>Tax Year to Date</u>
1¢ SLOTS	1,963	1,980	1,720	14,517
COINS IN	56,675,198.98	49,406,028.30	49,296,338.81	424,671,597.67
AGP	4,541,483.85	3,826,948.55	4,011,551.18	34,484,949.01
AVG DAILY AGP	74.63	62.47	75.24	77.40
HOLD %	8.01%	7.75%	8.14%	8.12%
5¢ SLOTS	419	427	388	2,959
COINS IN	10,867,444.15	9,502,885.05	10,708,019.60	84,450,852.08
AGP	677,295.22	643,987.76	697,570.59	5,644,332.84
AVG DAILY AGP	52.14	48.75	58.00	62.15
HOLD %	6.23%	6.78%	6.51%	6.68%
25¢ SLOTS	775	777	725	5,532
COINS IN	32,063,906.25	26,376,227.39	30,032,495.25	237,644,787.98
AGP	1,490,453.30	1,132,935.94	1,352,006.56	11,558,942.49
AVG DAILY AGP	62.04	47.13	60.16	68.08
HOLD %	4.65%	4.30%	4.50%	4.86%
\$1 SLOTS	825	832	780	5,981
COINS IN	43,272,486.00	36,746,451.00	43,743,233.00	344,713,649.96
AGP	2,177,720.14	1,706,099.18	2,054,343.37	17,087,982.59
AVG DAILY AGP	85.15	66.28	84.96	93.09
HOLD %	5.03%	4.64%	4.70%	4.96%
\$5 SLOTS	48	48	34	329
COINS IN	4,502,720.00	3,515,855.00	3,409,330.00	31,216,530.00
AGP	215,185.13	184,505.83	211,859.66	1,546,610.16
AVG DAILY AGP	144.61	124.25	201.01	153.18
HOLD %	4.78%	5.25%	6.21%	4.95%
OTHER SLOTS*	649	665	678	5,140
COINS IN	23,358,447.10	20,502,872.71	22,439,702.78	191,557,074.05
AGP	1,284,870.70	1,000,404.67	1,253,112.45	10,169,918.75
AVG DAILY AGP	63.86	48.63	59.62	64.47
HOLD %	5.50%	4.88%	5.58%	5.31%
BJ TABLES	21	20	12	137
BJ DROP	462,983.00	425,889.50	312,760.00	3,619,414.85
AGP	84,718.50	91,161.50	68,731.50	644,961.85
AVG DAILY AGP	130.14	147.33	184.76	153.40
HOLD %	18.30%	21.40%	21.98%	17.82%
POKER TABLES	36	36	28	250
POKER DROP	298,041.25	301,293.00	224,259.50	2,578,974.75
AGP	248,901.75	219,950.64	239,363.50	1,821,128.61
AVG DAILY AGP	223.03	197.49	275.76	237.36
HOLD %	22.59%	16.31%	21.64%	18.29%
TOTAL AGP	10,720,628.59	8,805,994.07	9,888,538.81	82,958,826.30
GAMING TAXES	917,839.11	626,264.89	896,341.55	3,166,536.97
# OF CASINOS	16	16	15	17
AVG. DAYS OPEN	31.00	30.94	31.00	30.69
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BLACK HAWK GAMING STATISTICS

	<u>January 2009</u>	<u>December 2008</u>	<u>January 2008</u>	<u>Tax Year to Date</u>
1¢ SLOTS	4,965	4,933	4,664	34,058
COINS IN	210,509,931.21	184,614,593.89	192,148,819.34	1,437,693,470.83
AGP	19,887,126.44	17,329,891.47	18,542,223.36	137,409,740.29
AVG DAILY AGP	129.21	113.32	128.25	131.68
HOLD %	9.45%	9.39%	9.65%	9.56%
5¢ SLOTS	668	676	836	4,894
COINS IN	31,914,536.60	29,361,008.75	39,424,585.70	226,142,878.23
AGP	2,149,348.20	1,882,973.19	2,687,174.51	15,225,734.69
AVG DAILY AGP	103.79	89.85	103.69	101.54
HOLD %	6.73%	6.41%	6.82%	6.73%
25¢ SLOTS	1,158	1,173	1,379	8,320
COINS IN	72,203,256.75	61,975,720.26	82,494,615.00	516,026,212.41
AGP	4,071,556.23	3,334,767.61	4,524,241.93	29,351,037.38
AVG DAILY AGP	113.42	91.71	105.83	115.14
HOLD %	5.64%	5.38%	5.48%	5.69%
\$1 SLOTS	1,288	1,297	1,263	9,420
COINS IN	125,924,207.00	110,522,220.00	123,170,088.36	913,092,342.86
AGP	6,459,122.47	5,557,627.69	6,269,582.43	46,623,928.68
AVG DAILY AGP	161.77	138.23	160.13	161.54
HOLD %	5.13%	5.03%	5.09%	5.11%
\$5 SLOTS	160	162	166	1,150
COINS IN	20,104,095.00	18,088,836.87	24,512,280.00	151,839,826.87
AGP	1,242,972.09	611,292.14	988,612.05	6,998,627.31
AVG DAILY AGP	250.60	121.72	192.11	198.62
HOLD %	6.18%	3.38%	4.03%	4.61%
OTHER SLOTS*	1,367	1,365	1,487	9,702
COINS IN	108,580,657.11	93,989,379.64	113,382,925.34	767,115,446.18
AGP	5,698,547.26	4,993,406.19	6,007,064.16	41,336,390.34
AVG DAILY AGP	134.47	118.01	130.31	139.05
HOLD %	5.25%	5.31%	5.30%	5.39%
BJ TABLES	43	43	44	298
BJ DROP	2,338,882.35	1,994,238.00	2,292,263.24	15,985,464.49
AGP	522,810.85	424,919.00	454,638.49	3,380,064.99
AVG DAILY AGP	392.21	318.77	333.31	370.19
HOLD %	22.35%	21.31%	19.83%	21.14%
POKER TABLES	101	102	103	717
POKER DROP	1,961,814.00	1,686,136.25	1,874,506.00	13,767,316.60
AGP	1,551,584.00	1,316,622.75	1,427,373.00	11,308,695.85
AVG DAILY AGP	495.56	416.39	447.03	514.76
HOLD %	23.42%	21.91%	23.04%	22.57%
TOTAL AGP	41,583,067.54	35,451,500.04	40,900,909.93	291,634,219.53
GAMING TAXES	7,592,269.80	6,183,749.41	7,447,693.72	38,915,546.00
# OF CASINOS	18	18	20	19
AVG. DAYS OPEN	31.00	31.00	31.00	30.64
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CENTRAL CITY GAMING STATISTICS

	<u>January 2009</u>	<u>December 2008</u>	<u>January 2008</u>	<u>Tax Year to Date</u>
1¢ SLOTS	999	1,023	900	7,151
COINS IN	30,576,557.86	25,860,762.09	28,413,447.33	220,197,480.65
AGP	2,853,717.05	2,291,132.12	2,721,976.39	19,508,790.78
AVG DAILY AGP	92.15	72.25	97.56	88.83
HOLD %	9.33%	8.86%	9.58%	8.86%
5¢ SLOTS	227	226	257	1,545
COINS IN	4,365,732.65	3,793,284.50	5,784,657.55	32,573,211.46
AGP	257,471.09	223,498.17	356,493.62	2,027,291.01
AVG DAILY AGP	36.59	31.90	44.75	42.73
HOLD %	5.90%	5.89%	6.16%	6.22%
25¢ SLOTS	294	301	378	2,207
COINS IN	10,204,722.15	8,764,232.25	13,897,733.00	79,184,343.70
AGP	442,148.51	491,044.04	766,235.70	4,134,227.13
AVG DAILY AGP	48.51	52.63	65.39	61.00
HOLD %	4.33%	5.60%	5.51%	5.22%
\$1 SLOTS	252	260	307	1,795
COINS IN	16,862,681.45	14,517,257.00	21,178,128.00	126,284,203.45
AGP	725,394.28	640,439.36	1,122,783.34	5,630,601.57
AVG DAILY AGP	92.86	79.46	117.98	102.14
HOLD %	4.30%	4.41%	5.30%	4.46%
\$5 SLOTS	30	30	37	210
COINS IN	1,208,555.00	1,012,720.00	1,698,240.00	9,950,233.00
AGP	99,082.99	(23,781.19)	102,544.29	496,543.44
AVG DAILY AGP	106.54	(25.57)	89.40	76.99
HOLD %	8.20%	-2.35%	6.04%	4.99%
OTHER SLOTS	256	267	254	1,834
COINS IN	14,983,345.15	13,284,619.94	11,885,587.44	97,706,132.54
AGP	673,123.80	583,762.77	603,453.57	4,614,293.66
AVG DAILY AGP	84.82	70.53	76.64	81.93
HOLD %	4.49%	4.39%	5.08%	4.72%
BJ TABLES	8	8	10	61
BJ DROP	195,871.55	162,295.75	312,055.00	1,544,362.35
AGP	32,025.55	31,316.75	48,099.75	272,285.10
AVG DAILY AGP	129.14	126.28	155.16	145.35
HOLD %	16.35%	19.30%	15.41%	17.63%
POKER TABLES	22	22	20	149
POKER DROP	325,215.25	263,848.75	257,143.53	2,233,279.88
AGP	161,587.00	126,427.25	181,516.03	1,101,658.40
AVG DAILY AGP	236.93	185.38	292.77	240.76
HOLD %	22.71%	20.08%	26.34%	21.87%
TOTAL AGP	5,244,550.27	4,363,839.27	5,903,102.69	37,785,691.09
GAMING TAXES	784,166.32	617,404.47	936,602.01	3,162,605.98
# OF CASINOS	6	6	6	6
AVG. DAYS OPEN	31.00	31.00	31.00	30.71
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JANUARY AGP BY DEVICE

Statewide

Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	16,343	\$54,946,619	\$108.54	6.72%
Tables	231	\$2,601,627	\$363.60	22.21%
TOTAL	16,574	\$57,548,246	\$112.10	6.97%

Cripple Creek

Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	4,679	\$10,387,008	\$71.61	6.08%
Tables	57	\$333,620	\$188.81	19.98%
TOTAL	4,736	\$10,720,628	\$73.02	6.25%

Black Hawk

Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	9,606	\$39,508,673	\$132.67	6.94%
Tables	144	\$2,074,395	\$464.69	22.84%
TOTAL	9,750	\$41,583,068	\$137.58	7.25%

Central City

Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	2,058	\$5,050,938	\$79.17	6.46%
Tables	30	\$193,612	\$208.19	20.32%
TOTAL	2,088	\$5,244,550	\$81.02	6.66%

Average daily AGP per device is calculated by dividing the total AGP by the number of devices, further divided by the average number of days open for all establishments open in January. Hold percentage does not include player-banked poker tables.

GAMING ♦ UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✓ March 16 • February gaming tax returns due
- ✓ March 16 • Annual casino financial statements due
- ✓ March 19 • Gaming Commission meeting, Lakewood

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