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My name is Bruce Banks and I am requesting to testify in support of House Bill 970. My testimony will focus on the critical law enforcement aspects of the bill and its importance in strengthening public safety and supporting Missouri's law enforcement agencies.



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WITNESS NAME: CHUCK HATFIELD		PHONE NUMBER: 573-636-6827	
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WITNESS NAME: JOSHUA GRANT		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: RON LEONE		PHONE NUMBER: 573-864-5189	
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WITNESS NAME: TROY STREMMING		PHONE NUMBER: 816-721-8635
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WITNESS NAME: ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: DAVID SCHATZ		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: JOY WEESE MOLL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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The industry claims that video lottery machines could create \$1.2 billion in annual gambling revenue. We know that most of this money will come out of the pockets of the Missourians who are poor, struggling with gambling addictions, or both. But, the bill only creates \$400 million in state revenue because rent-seeking corporations will take most of the profits for themselves. Of course, even the \$400 million estimate is high because it would almost certainly lower state revenue from casinos and the state lottery. There are better ways to generate more revenue from profitable businesses and wealthy individuals. Don't make the wealth gap greater in Missouri. It already causes too many problems in our society and those will only get worse.



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WITNESS NAME: KRISTA JARVIS		PHONE NUMBER:
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Please do not support video lottery games, which will create substantial problems for those with the most financial hardships in our state. This should not be considered for the collection of revenue. As someone who has a close family member with gambling issues, I am deeply concerned about this bill and strongly object to it. Thank you for your time, Krista Jarvis



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WITNESS NAME: MARC ELLINGER		PHONE NUMBER: 573-230-6644	
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WITNESS NAME: MARY TIPTON		PHONE NUMBER:	
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The population of Missouri is 6.2 million people, so the two bills together mean the average Missourian would pay about \$200 more each year while receiving about \$100 less in services — and that is an underestimate because many services (roads, healthcare, etc.) come with federal matching dollars, so the true loss in services will be much greater.



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WITNESS NAME: MATT THOMPSON		PHONE NUMBER: 660-537-5234	
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WITNESS NAME: MIKE WINTER		PHONE NUMBER: 573-230-6644	
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WITNESS NAME: SARAH A. SWISHER		PHONE NUMBER:
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Raising revenue off of gambling is a deeply regressive way to tax that puts more burden on the poor. That is NOT what we need. Not to mention the moral hazard represented by the State benefitting from a harmful industry.



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WITNESS NAME: TIMOTHY FABER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: TWILA J LOY		PHONE NUMBER:	
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This bill will only help wealthy people in Missouri and harm poor people and those with gambling problems. I am opposed to Missouri receiving revenue from this source.



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WITNESS NAME: TROY WILLIAMS		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Good afternoon Chairperson Christ and members of the committee. My name is Troy Williams Mo Association of Veterans Organization Chairman. The purpose of the Missouri Association of Veterans Organizations (MAVO) is for its members to assemble and exchange ideas for the collective welfare of all veterans residing in the state of Missouri, assist the Missouri Veterans Commission, and advise the Governor and General Assembly on matters of interest. Membership in MAVO shall be open to any state-wide veteran's organization operating in support of Missouri veterans, their families and survivors. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on behalf of Missouri veterans regarding this piece of legislation. I want to begin by expressing our appreciation for being engaged early in this process. We value the discussions we've had with the stakeholders here today who support this bill, and we are encouraged by the collaborative efforts to develop legislation that truly benefits Missouri veterans. We are particularly interested in how this bill could address funding issues for the Missouri Veterans Commission and how it may impact individual posts and chapters across the state and their sustainability in serving their communities. The data shared with us shows that in states with regulated VLT programs, like the one proposed in this legislation, local VFW, DAV, and American Legion outposts have generated significant revenue. This type of program could provide our outposts with similar opportunities to generate substantial funds to support the posts and their communities. These local outposts support numerous charitable causes, youth programs, and veteran's support programs, and they are vital to their communities and to Missouri veterans. Another component we like about this bill is that a substantial portion of the annual administrative fees charged on licensed VLT machines will generate \$10 - \$15 million per year, which will be dedicated to critical veterans causes in Missouri that are currently underfunded. This funding is critical to the survival of our veterans homes and cemeteries. Looking ahead, we will continue to have important discussions with these stakeholders at our MAVO meetings and VFW and Legion meetings across the state. In closing, we want to express our gratitude for the thoughtful consideration of our concerns and for the efforts being made to address these critical issues. Troy Williams MAVO Chairman



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