

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT
ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4403

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**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 6, 1993

President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4403** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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1 WHEREAS, Legalized wagering in Washington State has increased
2 significantly during the past two decades; and

3 WHEREAS, Legalized wagering in neighboring states is expanding into
4 such games as keno and video poker and is expected to continue
5 increasing during the coming years; and

6 WHEREAS, Under Federal law, tribal gambling has expanded into
7 casino gambling; and

8 WHEREAS, The United States Congress recently authorized coastal
9 gambling on cruise ships; and

10 WHEREAS, The State's public policy has been to prevent organized
11 crime from infiltrating legalized gambling; and

12 WHEREAS, Increased competition for the gambling dollar will result
13 in pressure to legislate increases in the nature and scope of gambling
14 currently authorized in the State; and

15 WHEREAS, The State's public policy on gambling, in many respects,
16 has not been clearly defined;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives of
18 the State of Washington, the Senate concurring, That a legislative task
19 force on Washington state gambling policy be established to examine:
20 (1) The current nature and scope of legal gambling within the State;
21 (2) the future of gambling in the State, in light of recent expansion,

1 the authorization of tribal and coastal gambling, and increased
2 competition for the gambling dollar; (3) the need for more clearly
3 defining the State's public policy on gambling; and (4) the feasibility
4 of merging the gambling commission, lottery commission, and horse
5 racing commission into one state agency; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the task force consist of eleven
7 voting members, the governor or the governor's designee; three members
8 from the majority caucus and two members from the minority caucus of
9 the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate; at least one
10 member from each caucus shall be a member of the Senate labor and
11 commerce committee; and three members from the majority caucus and two
12 members from the minority caucus of the House of Representatives,
13 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; at least one
14 member from each caucus shall be a member of the House commerce and
15 labor committee. In addition, the Washington state gambling
16 commission, the Washington state horse racing commission, and the
17 Washington state lottery commission shall cooperate with the task force
18 and maintain a liaison representative, who shall be a nonvoting member.
19 The task force shall choose its chair and vice-chair from among its
20 membership; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the task force, where feasible, may
22 consult with individuals from the public and private sector or ask such
23 persons to establish an advisory committee; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the task force shall use legislative
25 staff and facilities. All expenses of the task force, including
26 travel, shall be paid jointly by the Senate and the House of
27 Representatives; and

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the task force report its findings and
29 recommendations to the legislature by January 1, 1994; and

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the task force shall expire July 1,
31 1994.

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