

**HB 1667 - S AMD 765**  
By Senator Prentice

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 9.46.285 and 1973 2nd ex.s. c 41 s 8 are each amended  
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) This chapter constitutes the exclusive legislative authority  
6 for the licensing and regulation of any gambling activity and the state  
7 preempts such licensing and regulatory functions, except as to the  
8 powers and duties of any city, town, city-county, or county which are  
9 specifically set forth or acknowledged in this chapter. Any ordinance,  
10 resolution, or other legislative act by any city, town, city-county, or  
11 county relating to gambling in existence on September 27, 1973 shall be  
12 as of that date null and void and of no effect. Any such city, town,  
13 city-county, or county may thereafter enact only such local law as is  
14 consistent with the powers and duties expressly granted to and imposed  
15 upon it by chapter 9.46 RCW and which is not in conflict with that  
16 chapter or with the rules of the commission.

17 (2) Nothing in this chapter limits the authority of a city, town,  
18 city-county, or county to enact and enforce an ordinance, resolution,  
19 or other legislative act that:

20 (a) Applies without regard to whether an affected entity is  
21 required to possess, or is not required to possess, a license under  
22 this chapter; or

23 (b) Prohibits a facility operating under a license issued under  
24 this chapter from locating within five hundred feet of (i) any church;  
25 (ii) any tax-supported public elementary or secondary school or any  
26 private school meeting the requirements for private schools under Title  
27 28A RCW; or (iii) any public institution, including but not limited to  
28 a park, library, courthouse, police station, fire station, jail, and  
29 places owned or leased by the local jurisdiction for the jurisdiction's  
30 employees, elected officials, and public meetings.

1       (3) For the purposes of this section, (a) the distance of five  
2 hundred feet is measured in a straight line from the outer property  
3 line of the grounds of the church, school, or public institution to the  
4 nearest property line of the property proposed for a facility operating  
5 under a license issued under this chapter; and (b) church means a  
6 building erected for and used exclusively for religious worship and  
7 schooling or other activity in connection therewith."

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8       On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "activities;" strike the  
9 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 9.46.285."

EFFECT: Clarifies that local jurisdictions can apply general regulations and zoning ordinances to entities that engage in gambling activities licensed by the Gambling Commission, and may also prohibit gambling activities from locating within five hundred feet of any church, public or private school, or public institution.

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