

**SB 5374-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that the exclusion of certain persons from gambling premises that conduct licensed gambling activities is necessary to carry out the policies of chapter 9.46 RCW and to effectively maintain the strict regulation of gambling.

Authorizes the commission to, by rule, provide for the establishment of a list of persons who are to be excluded from licensed gambling premises.

Requires the commission's rules to define the standards for exclusion and must include standards relating to persons:  
(1) Who are career or professional offenders or involved in organized crime;

(2) Who have been convicted of a criminal violation of a gambling law of any state or of the United States, or who have been convicted of any felony including, but not limited to, theft, extortion, conspiracy to defraud, or any similar offense involving, or in connection with, any gambling activity; or

(3) Who have been excluded under similar involuntary exclusion laws or rules of any other state or nation that regulates gambling.

Provides that a person may not be placed upon the list of exclusion because of sex, sexual orientation, race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, age, or the presence of any mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability.

Provides that a person on the list of excluded persons who enters a gambling premises is guilty of a gross misdemeanor punishable under RCW 9A.20.021.