

Louisiana Streamlining Commission

Suggested Recommendations to Advisory Committee Chairmen

Preamble:

The following comments on this cover sheet have been prepared at the Mercatus Center by Hon. Maurice McTigue. The purpose of the analysis was to identify issues that the committee might pursue and finally develop into recommendations to the full commission.

- The suggested recommendations are based on very limited information and the committee's local knowledge may determine that the suggestions are not viable. In that case the Committee should discard the suggested recommendation.
- If the Committee thinks the suggestion has merit then they should refer it to officials for their analysis.
- Some of our suggestions may be recommending a practice that is already in place, in which case the recommendation may be put aside or may be worded to endorse that practice or to extend it further than is the current practice.

Department of Public Safety – Louisiana Gaming Control Board

- This activity should have zero affect on the State Budget and should go to full cost recovery.
- The cost recovery process should be subjected to the new criteria for setting fees and comply with the transparency requirements.

Savings:

- Savings \$1,047,446



The Streamlining Government Commission would appreciate your assistance by having you complete the following worksheet. We understand that some of this information is available online and possibly in other documents, but we believe that it is important that you provide this data to ensure that you know what the Commission is reviewing regarding your Department, Agency, or Office. In order to review and compile the data before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission, please complete and return these worksheets to prathert@legis.state.la.us by September 8, 2009. Thank you for your cooperation.

Department name:

Department of Public Safety – Louisiana Gaming Control Board

State in one sentence the core business of your department:

The Gaming Control Board has regulatory authority, control, and jurisdiction, including investigation, licensing, and enforcement over all aspects of gaming activities and operations pursuant to the provisions of the Louisiana Riverboat Economic Development and Gaming Control Act, the Louisiana Economic Development and Gaming Corporation Act, and the Video Draw Poker Devices Control Law, and limited jurisdiction as to gaming on Indian lands in Louisiana.

For each program managed by your agency, provide the following information. Please limit your answers for each program to no more than half a page and simply write “unknown” next to each program question you are unable to answer.

- Program name: Louisiana Gaming Control Board
- Outcome addressed by this program: To regulate all gaming activities under the authority of the Board in a manner which instills public confidence and trust that gaming activities are conducted honestly and free from criminal and corruptive elements; to insure the integrity of individual gaming activities by the regulation of persons, practices, associations and activities within the gaming industry; to promote economic development of the state.
- How many members of the public are directly involved in or affected by this program:
30,586,157. This figure does not include video poker.
- How much money was expended on this program in the last fiscal year (The most recent data available are acceptable even if they are from FY 07-08): \$1,047,446

- **Measure used to determine success:** There are numerous indicators to determine success of the mission to include Performance Indicators, viability of the Louisiana Gaming Industry versus other states, positive reputation of Louisiana Gaming Regulators, continued growth of the Louisiana gaming market.
- **Level of success during each of the last three years:** Through the devastation of numerous hurricanes, Louisiana realized a steady stream of gaming revenue and employment. Of recent, Louisiana has faired better than most other gaming jurisdictions during the economic downturn.
- **The societal issue addressed by this program is getting *better*, *remaining static*, or *deteriorating*:** Unknown

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