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Indiana Gaming Commission Holding Public Meetings *Input sought from non-profits who hold charity gaming licenses*

Indianapolis – Beginning July 1, the Indiana Gaming Commission (IGC) assumes responsibility for overseeing the regulation of charity gaming in Indiana. Those activities were previously the responsibility of the Indiana Department of Revenue, but 2006 legislation moved the program to the IGC.

In 2005, there were 2,625 charity gaming licenses issued to qualified organizations. State law defines a qualified organization as a bona fide religious, educational, senior citizens, veterans, or civic group operating as a non-profit in Indiana continuously for at least five years. Bona fide political organizations may also qualify.

The IGC is holding the series of meetings to get feedback and suggestions about how the charity gaming program operates. Groups that have gaming licensees and other interested parties are encouraged to attend. All forums will be from 5:00pm – 7:00pm.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Richmond - Municipal Building (Council Chambers) 50 North 5th Street	May 31st
Lafayette - Delphi Public Library 222 East Main Street	June 1st
Indianapolis – Indiana Government Center South Conference Center Room A 402 W. Washington Street	June 1st
Michigan City - Public Library 100 East 4th Street	June 1st
Clarksville - Town Hall (Council Chambers) 2000 Broadway Street	June 2nd
Fort Wayne – Ft. Wayne Chamber of Commerce 826 Ewing Street (Anthony Wayne Room)	June 5th
Jasper - City Hall (Council Chambers) 610 Main Street (Downtown on the Square)	June 5th