

September 24, 2000

Honorable Gray Davis
Governor of California
Office of the Governor
Sacramento, CA, 95814

RE: Veto AB 317

Dear Governor Davis:

Stand Up For California is writing to you today to respectfully request that you veto AB 317 by Assembly Member Floyd.

- Article 15 is the legalization of Twenty-One, a card game specially detailed in the California Penal Code as an illegal banking game.
- Article 16 is the legalization of “player pooled” or “banked games”.

Further, it has been alleged to me, that the so-called accident of passing this legislation by the legislature was a planned and calculated move. This bill is to give you the opportunity to veto a piece of blatantly unconstitutional legislation, allowing for the approve of AB 1416 which is a more sophisticated card club expansion bill, which allows dealer rotations and banking games.

These are the very issues that have been declared unconstitutional by the California Supreme Court. “The Legislature has no power to authorize, and shall prohibit casinos of the type currently operating in Nevada and New Jersey.” California State gambling policy should not be changed without the approval of the citizens, nor should State Legislators be voting on a statutory bill that clearly violates California’s Constitution.

Stand Up For California respectfully requests a veto on AB 317, by Assembly Member Floyd.

Sincerely,

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