

From: s.22

Sent: Friday, August 20, 2010 10:13 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: Views

Hello Premier, I'd like to know whats with all these casinos that have been allowed to grow and spread, like a cancer, robbing the people blind, and turning the population into zombies, and online gambling is even worse, is money the only thing that matters to you? I'm not opposed to gambling or casinos, but they SHOULD BE LIMITED in numbers. This whole province is going downhill fast, and no long term good will come of whats happening, in everything.

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2010 3:42 PM

To: s.22

Cc: HSD Minister HSD:EX

Subject: RE: Views

Thank you for your email regarding matters relating to the British Columbia Lottery Corporation and online gaming. Your comments have been noted and we do appreciate that you have taken the time to share them with us. We will ensure that the Minister responsible, the Honourable Rich Coleman, has an opportunity to review your personal feedback as well.

Again, thank you for writing.

pc: Honourable Rich Coleman

From: s.22

Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 2010 8:44 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: Views

It's a terrible shame that Harness Racing is in trouble in Alberta, now it looks like the same thing is happening in B.C. and that has already happened in Quebec. I totally believe the root cause of all this is the casino's and now online gambling.

Unless their numbers are curtailed or stopped, perhaps even rolled back the demise of all racing, including thoroughbreds is certain.

And the worst part is it may already be too late. We've all been conned and duped by politicians and business leaders into believing that casino's would be racings salvation, when in reality it very well may be its demise.

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From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Sent: Thursday, September 2, 2010 1:47 PM

To: s.22

Cc: HSD Minister HSD:EX

Subject: RE: Views

Thank you for your follow-up email regarding BCLC. We have asked the minister responsible, the Honourable Rich Coleman, to ensure that you receive a response specific to your concerns about the horse racing industry in British Columbia. You will be hearing from the Minister's office at the earliest opportunity. In the meantime, you may find a related News Release, at the following web page, of interest:

[http://www2.news.gov.bc.ca/news\\_releases\\_2009-2013/2009HSD0073-000633.pdf](http://www2.news.gov.bc.ca/news_releases_2009-2013/2009HSD0073-000633.pdf)

Again, thank you for sharing your views.

pc: Honourable Rich Coleman

From: s.22

Sent: Saturday, January 8, 2011 11:33 AM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: casino subsidies

There is no amount of gabbledegook that will ever square this nefarious practice of subsidising the gambling industry with the BC taxpayer.

The same rule should apply to all businesses, large & small alike - if you can't make a profit, then give it up & find something more meaningful to do. A company's profitability should be based including ALL costs, including costs to the environment instead of downloading it onto the public for notorious clean-up costs. Similarly for the gambling industry, has anyone in government ever taken an honest look at the damages incurred on families by problem gamblers, and does the gambling industry have to contribute in a major way to remedying the situation? The answer is a resounding no - it's much easier for your government to rely on gambling revenues than to make an honest effort to draw up a sensible budget.

You wouldn't have to look far to find areas where cuts could be made, eg what is the reasoning behind giving top management of ICBC plushy bonuses? Their salaries appear to be more than generous, and as government employees, they should be willing to do their jobs vigorously and honestly without relying on a government slush fund produced from failing to give insurees a proper evaluation for their vehicles. There is no logical reason to give lavish bonuses, rather, you do it because you can, not because you should!

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cc Rich Coleman

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2011 12:21 PM

To: s.22

Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX

Subject: RE: local food supply

Thank you for your emails. In regards to the provincial government promoting local food production, you will be pleased to know that encouraging British Columbians to buy their food locally is part of the province's official Agriculture Plan. More information is available at:

[http://www.al.gov.bc.ca/Agriculture\\_Plan/1\\_localfood.html](http://www.al.gov.bc.ca/Agriculture_Plan/1_localfood.html),

[http://www.al.gov.bc.ca/Agriculture\\_Plan/appA.html](http://www.al.gov.bc.ca/Agriculture_Plan/appA.html), and

[http://www.gov.bc.ca/agri/media\\_gallery/photos/2010/dec/is\\_that\\_really\\_made\\_in\\_b\\_c\\_surprise\\_food\\_gifts\\_for\\_2010\\_2010\\_12\\_06\\_13646\\_M\\_1.html](http://www.gov.bc.ca/agri/media_gallery/photos/2010/dec/is_that_really_made_in_b_c_surprise_food_gifts_for_2010_2010_12_06_13646_M_1.html)

Your comments relating to the gaming industry and ICBC are noted and we appreciate that you have written to express your views. We note that you have provided a copy of your

correspondence to the Minister responsible for gaming in British Columbia, and ICBC, the Honourable Rich Coleman. Please be assured that your personal feedback is valued and will be included in any related discussions. You may be interested in reading Minister Coleman's public statement on transactions in casinos; it is available at the following government web page:

[http://www2.news.gov.bc.ca/news\\_releases\\_2009-2013/2011PSSG0002-000008.pdf](http://www2.news.gov.bc.ca/news_releases_2009-2013/2011PSSG0002-000008.pdf)

Again, thank you for writing. We appreciate your interest in government matters. You are encouraged to visit the BC government web site often for the latest news on current topics at [www.gov.bc.ca](http://www.gov.bc.ca).

pc: Honourable Rich Coleman

From: s.22

Sent: Monday, January 10, 2011 6:47 AM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: NO TAXES FOR CASINO'S

Liberals

I'm appauled..To think this government full of liars hacks and crooks, would contemplate 6.5 million tax dollars to be used to help build the new Edgewater casino. The billion dollar corporation that stands to make millions off the casino can bloody well pay for it. One of Campbells big lies was not expanding gambling and slot machines. The only thing you can believe about the Liberals is they are all liars..Take the 6.5 million and expand housing and programs for the needy..I hope the whole liberal p[arty is sent packing next election.

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