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**HUGE MARGIN OF TEXANS FAVOR RIGHT TO VOTE ON SLOTS AT TRACKS**  
***LARGE MAJORITY FAVORS ACTUAL PROPOSAL***

(AUSTIN, Texas)—According to a new statewide poll conducted by Baselice and Associates released today, **82 percent of Texas voters** think the Texas Legislature should allow Texas voters to decide if slot machines at race tracks and on the three federally recognized Indian reservations should be allowed by putting it to a vote in a statewide constitutional amendment election.

A large majority of Texas voters (**64 percent**) favor the **specific proposal** of allowing slot machines at Texas race tracks and on the three federally recognized Indian reservations.

Support for this issue cut across every demographic polled. Even **57 percent of Republicans who attend church on a weekly basis were in favor** of the measure.

After learning that Texans already spend more than \$2.5 billion dollars gambling in neighboring states every year, and that 38 other states already have gambling as a state revenue source - approval for the specific proposal rose more than 10 points (76 percent).

“Given the state of the budget and economy, Texans want the chance to decide whether to keep those dollars here,” said Sam Houston Race Park President Andrea Young. “Our proposal will generate almost \$1 billion in tax revenue annually and create more than 77,000 new and permanent jobs.”

The poll was commissioned by Win For Texas, a public advocacy effort to educate the Legislature and Texas voters on the proposal to allow slot machines at race tracks and on the three federally recognized Indian reservations.

A copy of the survey questions mentioned accompanies this release.

The survey of 1002 Texas voters was conducted between January 30 and February 1, 2011, and has a 3.1 percent margin of error.

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