Senator Pamela J. Althoff

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Dear Senator Althoff,

I am a horseplayer who lives in your district in Illinois and on December 31, 2012 legislation which provided the rules and regulations by which fans could wager via Advance Deposit Wagering accounts ("ADWs") expired, consistent with the sunset provisions originally written onto the law.

The use of the ADW option has grown each year since its introduction including an 11.5% increase in 2012 while, on a combined basis all other forms of handle (betting) decreased by 4.75% in 2012. Though the use of my ADW account I have been able to continue to be a fan of and support the overall horseracing industry in Illinois.

Along with your fellow Senators and your colleagues in the House I urge you to support all the horseplayers in Illinois by passing the necessary legislation to reestablish ADWs.

Sincerely,