

**House Judiciary Committee  
Testimony in Opposition to SB 2384  
Bill Kalanek, Charitable Gaming Association of ND  
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Chairman Klemin and members of the House Judiciary Committee, my name is Bill Kalanek and I'm before you today on behalf of CGAND, the Charitable Gaming Association of ND.

CGAND stands opposed to SB 2384, which would allow international manufacturers to work directly with North Dakota charities. North Dakota charitable gaming distributors have played an important role in the ND gaming market. Many years ago North Dakota legislators wisely created a three-tiered system, setting statutory parameters for North Dakota companies to be the go-between entities of charities and international manufacturers. Locally licensed ND distributors are responsible for selling and distributing gaming equipment used to conduct charitable gaming.

Currently North Dakota has 16 licensed gaming distributors scattered across the state selling gaming products and providing technical services to ND charities. Charities have been satisfied with the current structure, allowing for competitive prices and a wide range of products available. Distributors are locally owned, employ local people, and are considered experts in North Dakota market.

CGAND encourages the committee to give a DO NOT PASS recommendation to **SB 2384**.