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I am writing to oppose the proposed changes to Pennsylvania's Self Exclusion Program (SEP), which I understand is to have the on-site casino program match the online program and expire after the length of time that the person has requested to self exclude, and to stupidly write to the person and tell them that they're okay to gamble again (which is how they take it).
YOU'VE GOT IT BACKWARDS...YOU SHOULD HAVE THE ONLINE PROGRAM MATCH THE CASINO PROGRAM!!!!

I have been counseling compulsive gamblers since 2009, and I'm an ICGC-I. I know them. They do much better, outcomes are improved, they feel more secure, with their SEP intact.
I remember getting a frantic call from someone who thought his SEP was being taken off...he told me he got a letter telling him he could gamble again.
They join the program because it helps them. It's set up that they can take themselves off if their time has expired, but they don't need a letter telling them they're off.....PLEASE DON'T DO THIS.

Are we not all interested in what's best for the client??? They would be better served changing the online program to match the brick and mortar program...TRUST ME! WE COUNSELORS KNOW WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
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