

Addabbo Supports Move to Refine Zoning Changes Streamlining Possible State-Licensed Gaming Facilities in the Five Boroughs

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Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. said: "As the Chairman of State Senate Committee on Racing, Gaming and Wagering, I wholeheartedly support zoning text amendments that would facilitate where up to three gaming facilities can possibly locate in New York City, while protecting the integrity of the downstate gaming license process. I look forward to the details of these amendments, which have the potential to not only streamline the licensing process, but also link city approvals to the robust state-level licensing process that will expedite the creation of thousands of union jobs, hundreds of millions in revenue and improve assisting individuals experiencing gaming addiction issues. By allowing gaming facilities in certain commercial and manufacturing districts, we are paving the way for significant job opportunities for local residents and economic growth in our city. The start of public review on this amendment is a crucial step in ensuring that New York City remains competitive in a quicker, more efficient application process for new gaming facility licenses in the downstate region."