

# PROPOSED AMENDMENT

## HB 1038 # 19

### DIGEST

Public question. Requires the placement of a public question concerning casino gambling on the 2026 general election ballot in Allen County, DeKalb County, Steuben County, and Wayne County. (The bill currently allows the placement of a public question.)

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- 1           Page 3, delete lines 29 through 42, begin a new paragraph and  
2 insert:  
3           "SECTION 4. IC 4-33-6-19.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
4 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
5 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 19.5. (a) The legislative body**  
6 **of Allen County, DeKalb County, Steuben County, and Wayne**  
7 **County shall certify the following public question to the county**  
8 **election board under IC 3-10-9-3 not later than noon August 1,**  
9 **2026, for placement on the 2026 general election ballot:**  
10           **"Shall inland casino gambling be permitted in (insert the**  
11           **name of the county)?"**.  
12           **(b) The public question shall be placed on the ballot as provided**  
13 **in IC 3-10-9.**  
14           **(c) Each registered voter of the county is entitled to vote on the**  
15 **public question.**  
16           **(d) The circuit court clerk shall certify the results of the public**  
17 **question under IC 3-12-4-9 to the commission."**  
18           Page 4, delete lines 1 through 5.  
19           Page 8, line 11, delete ":".  
20           Page 8, delete lines 12 through 15.  
21           Page 8, line 16, delete "subdivision (1)".  
22           Page 8, run in lines 11 through 16.  
23           Page 8, line 17, delete "IC 4-33-6-19.5(e)." and insert "**IC**  
24 **4-33-6-19.5(d).**".

(Reference is to HB 1038 as reprinted January 30, 2026.)