

Date of Hearing: July 2, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Buffy Wicks, Chair

SB 864 (Committee on Governmental Organization) – As Introduced March 20, 2025

Policy Committee: Governmental Organization

Vote: 22 - 0

Urgency: No

State Mandated Local Program: No

Reimbursable: No

SUMMARY:

This bill requires the California Gambling Control Commission (CGCC) to post a public record of every vote on the CGCC's internet website no later than two business days after the meeting at which the vote was taken.

FISCAL EFFECT:

Minor and absorbable costs to the CGCC.

COMMENTS:

1) **Purpose.** According to the author:

While current law requires the CGCC to keep records of votes that are taken during proceedings of the Commission, there is no requirement that those votes be posted anywhere on the Internet. As such, members of the public have a difficult time staying informed on votes taken by the CGCC. SB 864 simply provides transparency for members of the public who want to be informed on the Commission's proceedings.

2) **CGCC Website.** The five-member CGCC is the regulatory body overseeing gambling establishments, all persons or transactions regarding ownership interest of gambling enterprises, third party providers, proposition players services, and tribal casinos. Currently, the CGCC website includes audio recordings of past meetings, but individual votes are not posted in written form, outside of approved meeting minutes. This bill requires CGCC to post a public record of every vote on CGCC's website within two business days.

3) **Prior Legislation.** SB 899 (Committee on Governmental Organization), of the 2021-22 Legislative Session, was nearly identical to this bill. SB 899 was ordered to the Assembly Inactive File.

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