

Nev. bill would raise funding for problem gambling

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CARSON CITY — A bill that would significantly increase the amount of funding available to address problem gambling in Nevada saw no opposition Wednesday during a Senate committee hearing.

Senate Bill 120 would increase funding from the approximately \$1.8 million in fiscal year 2018 in Gov. Brian Sandoval's proposed 2017-19 budget to as much as \$2.8 million a year.

Anthony Cabot, a member of the Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling, said the current revenue comes from a \$2 fee on slot machines. But the number of machines has been declining, reducing the amount of money available for the program.

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