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GREAT EXPECTATIONS!

Dear Friends of CalCAP,

Recent news reports across our state describe the terrible and deadly consequences of alcohol on individuals, families and communities. A sheriff is killed by a drunk driver; an alcohol-fueled party spirals out of control and into deadly violence; a high school mourns the alcohol caused deaths of their fellow students. As we address the problems associated with alcohol, especially among the youth of our state, we face a number of challenges.

The alcohol industry is ever-present in the halls of the capitol, and ready to contribute to the campaigns of the very members that will decide the bills that impact them. The

gambling industry is among the top contributors in California politics, and relies on that influence to control the very representatives that are intended to control them.

Politics is sometimes referred to as the “Art of Compromise.” However, this requires at least two determined and persistent parties. We know that this is true of the alcohol and gambling industries. But who will balance their positions?

Our challenge is to continually counter the industries that hope to profit by exploiting the people of California. Our challenge is to dare to hope, and to unflinchingly hold on to our Great Expectations

that we know we will prevail. Join me in this Great Expectation as together we make a difference.

Rev. James B. Butler,
Executive Director

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ALMOST FREE PULPIT SUPPLY AND PROGRAMS *

Are you one of the pastors planning a vacation, study leave or spiritual retreat this Summer or Fall? Is there a conference or meeting scheduled for a weekend that you hope to attend? Do you need someone to preach?

Would you like a program on the social, scientific, and economic problems caused by alcohol, other drugs or gambling? Would you like to have a Bible study on the issue of alcohol? Would you like to know what is happening in the state legislature regarding these issues?

Our Executive Director, the Rev. James Butler, is currently arranging his speaking schedule for Summer and Fall 2010.

If you are interested in “Almost Free*” pulpit supply or other program, please contact the Rev. Butler at the office 916 / 441 – 1844, his cell 916 / 420 - 8106 or calcap@comcast.net .

* All we ask is that you allow for: distribution of a CalCAP brochure, an invitation to become part of our Network and receive a retiring offering at the end of the service.

2010 ALCOHOL LEGISLATION

Some of the Legislation related to Alcohol that we are tracking and addressing this Session.

SB 1044, (Harman): This bill would allow an event license to authorize the sale of beer, wine, and distilled spirits at up to 14 events in a single year.

AB 1060, (De La Torre): This bill would prohibit off-sale licensees (grocery stores) from selling alcoholic beverages using a self-service checkout system.

AB 1598, (Beall): This bill would prohibit the import, production, manufacture, distribution, or sale of caffeinated malt beverages (Alcohol Energy Drinks) at all retail locations within the state.

AB 1599, (Beall): This bill would establish the Medi-Cal Alcohol and Drug Screening and Brief Intervention Services Program for the purpose of increasing the state's ability to make available alcohol and drug screening and brief intervention services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are pregnant women or women of childbearing age. This is intended to help prevent Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder.

2010 GAMBLING LEGISLATION

Some of the Legislation related to Gambling that we are tracking and addressing this Session.

AB 2193, (Hall): This bill would extend the prohibition until January 1, 2020, of a county, city, or city and county from authorizing or expanding any legal gaming beyond that permitted on January 1, 1996. Additionally, the Gambling Control Commission is prohibited, until January 1, 2020, from issuing a gambling license for a gambling establishment that was not licensed to operate on December 31, 1999, except as specified.

AB 1694, (Beall): This bill would establish the Alcohol-Related Services Program and the Alcohol-Related Services Program Fund and would authorize the State Board of Equalization to assess and collect specified fees (5 cents per drink) for that fund.

AB 1896, (Jeffries): This bill would authorize the issuance of a limited off-sale retail wine license that would allow the licensee to sell wine only via direct mail, telephone, or Internet.

AB 2486, (Feuer): This bill will allow a social host who is 21 years of age or older who knowingly furnishes alcoholic beverages to a person under 21 years of age to be held legally accountable.



AB 2197, (Coto): This bill would require the prevention program developed by the office of Problem and Pathological Gambling to include development of education and awareness programs that specifically target geographically diverse multicultural populations, and would permit the office to develop a grant program for education, outreach, and prevention.

AB 1857, (Cook); AB 2215, (Fuentes); SB 1439, (Price): These bills deal with the Horse Racing Industry and relate to satellite wagering facilities, advance deposits for betting and the number of out-of-state races that can be used for satellite wagering.

WHAT'S COOKING

Cooking shows are becoming more and more popular, and many of the recipes that are being prepared include some form of alcohol. Contrary to what most people believe, and that includes most professionals, when using beer, wine or other alcoholic beverages in recipes, a lot of alcohol is left after cooking. For those who are in recovery and others who choose to live an alcohol-free lifestyle, it is important to understand just how much alcohol is left in that fancy dish. In fact, for some it may mean the difference between living a clean and sober life or the devastating consequences that come from abuse and addiction. Below is information that comes from the Agricultural Research Service of the USDA (1989). Also included are possible substitutions for alcohol in your favorite recipes.

Alcohol remaining after preparation:

Immediate consumption – 100%
Overnight storage – 70%
Boiling liquid, remove from heat – 85%
Flamed – 75%

Alcohol remaining: baked or simmered:

15 min – 40%
30 min – 35%
1 hour – 25%
1.5 hour – 20%
2 hours – 10%
2.5 hours – 5%

Suggested substitutions for Alcoholic Beverages in Recipes:

White Wine substitutes in recipes

- Apple juice or carrot juice.
- Vegetable stock or Chicken stock straight or with a little white wine vinegar
- 1/2 cup rice vinegar and 1 tablespoon white grape juice.

Red Wine substitutes in recipes

- 1/2 cup of grape juice with 2 teaspoons of red wine vinegar.
- 1/2 cup water and 2 teaspoons of balsamic vinegar.
- Beef stock or chicken stock straight or with a little red wine vinegar.

Brandy substitutes in recipes

- Apple juice, peach juice, white grape juice, pear juice.

Champagne substitutes in recipes

- Ginger ale, sparkling grape juice.

Beer substitutes in recipes

- Chicken broth, beef broth, ginger ale.

I hope that this information will help you as you consider your future food preparations, especially if you are serving someone in recovery.

EFFORT TO LEGALIZE AND REGULATE MARIJUANA

SB 1449, (Leno): This bill would provide that, except as authorized by law, every person who possesses not more than 28.5 grams of marijuana, other than concentrated cannabis, is guilty of an infraction, instead of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than \$250. It does not require education, treatment or rehab after third offense.

AB 2254, (Ammiano): This bill would remove marijuana and its derivatives from existing statutes defining and regulating controlled substances, and decriminalize/legalize the sale, cultivation and recreational use of marijuana for persons over 21.

AB 2650, (Buchanan): This bill would provide that no medical marijuana cooperative, collective, dispensary, operator, establishment, or provider, authorized by law to possess, cultivate, or distribute medical marijuana shall be located within a 1,000-foot radius of a school.

INITIATIVE: An Initiative to legalize Marijuana has qualified for the November ballot, and will be voted upon at that time. The supporters expect to commit \$10 million towards passing this proposition.



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OUR TASK AND MISSION

The CalCAP family, which includes the California Council on Alcohol Problems (CalCAP), the Alcohol-Narcotic Education Foundation of California (ANEF) and the California Coalition Against Gambling Expansion (CCAGE), is a statewide, faith based organization that seeks to prevent the moral, economic, scientific and social problems caused by alcohol and gambling. This is done through research, education, advocacy and lobbying. Thus, we raise the awareness of these problems among the people, and address the legislature regarding alcohol and gambling issues.

We are funded entirely by gifts from denominations, churches, church groups and individuals. We do not receive any financial support from any governmental agency or political party.

If you would like to be part of our information network, arrange for a program or preaching date, or support our work through-out California, please contact our Executive Director, the Rev. James Butler, or our Sacramento office, at 916 / 441-1844 or calcap@calcap.org. Our Mailing address is 803 Vallejo Way, Sacramento CA 95818.

Because CalCAP is involved in lobbying efforts, donations to CalCAP are not tax-deductible. Donations to ANEF are tax-deductible.

GAMBLING EXPANSION AHEAD?

When you make a deal with the devil, you should not be surprised when everything turns out badly. When the state of California decided to use the fruits of gambling to offset their budget needs, the first steps to Hell on the "road of good intentions" were taken. The first step was to approve the Lottery, with the promise that it would help maintain the fine public education system of our state. After more than twenty years, the lottery has failed to keep that promise, and has helped ravage our state finances with displaced dollars and exploitation of our poorest and most vulnerable citizens.

Later, California tribes were permitted to conduct Casino-style gambling, with the promise that both the tribes and the state would benefit. Now, in spite of gambling-related increases in crime, welfare, unemployment, divorce and suicides, the promise of money for the state has proven too great a temptation to resist. Tribal gambling continues to expand, and California still hopes to

benefit from gambling revenues.

And now, after more than 15 years of granting the tribes a monopoly, a court has ruled that the millions of dollars paid to the state constitute a "tax" and are therefore illegal. Although this ruling will be appealed, it is likely that the many tribes will not be required to pay the state any of their profits. This may have two terrible consequences. The first, the state will lose the millions of dollars of tribal gambling revenue on which it has relied; and the second, there will no longer be an incentive to grant the tribes a monopoly on slot machines, and thus there may be an explosion of "taxable" gambling throughout our state.

If the only way that the state can collect a portion of gambling revenues is to expand gambling throughout the state, it is time for a better alternative. It is time to make a change and simply prohibit all gambling in our state, and get back on the road that will lead to real prosperity.