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Senate Committee Defers Action on Video Gaming Terminals Until at Least 2023

This morning, a senate subcommittee carried over Senate bill 462. Carrying over a bill is a polite way to block consideration for the year, meaning that video gaming terminals are dead until at least 2023. Pushing this legislation were several gaming companies from Chicago and Las Vegas who desired to put a mini casino on every street corner in Virginia. What does this mean for skill machines? It means that the status quo will remain on until the next round of judicial review this spring.

On December 6th Judge Lewis Lerner, acting on a petition from Sadler Brothers Oil Company, issued a temporary injunction that halted the state's ban on skill games. On January 11, the Supreme Court of Virginia refused to overturn the injunction, which means that skill games are allowed at least until the next hearing before Judge Lerner scheduled for May 18.

There are a wide variety of other bills that we are focusing on and you may see the full list by [clicking here](#).