

ASSEMBLY TOURISM, GAMING AND THE ARTS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 420

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 20, 2023

The Assembly Tourism, Gaming and the Arts Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 420.

This bill creates a Gambling Treatment Diversion Court Pilot Program with the purpose to treat persons determined to be affected by an addictive disorder related to gambling and who committed a crime for which they have been convicted in furtherance or as a result of the gambling. The gambling court would be administered by the AOC and be established, as the AOC determines, in one northern, one central, and one southern vicinage of this State. This bill is modeled after a similar program in Nevada.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 2022-2023 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.