Gambling and the Law® The Coming Wave of Sports Betting

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### The Three Waves of Legal Gambling

- First Wave Colonial period to mid-19th century: Legal Debris: "Lotteries" prohibited in state constitutions
- Second Wave Wild West; South after the Civil War, new inventions. Crash - Victorian morality
   Legal Debris: Statutes prohibit bookmaking, slot machines; U.S. federal anti-lottery laws; New Mexico told to close its casinos
- Third Wave Depression to present:
  Legal Debris: Piecemeal legalization by states, provinces

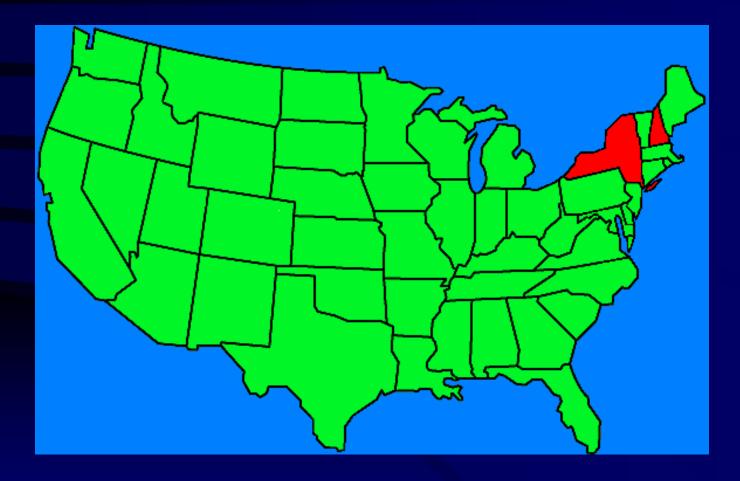
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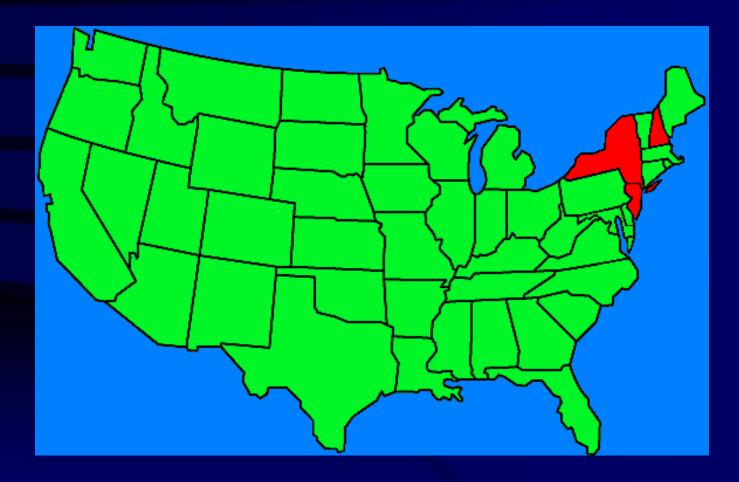
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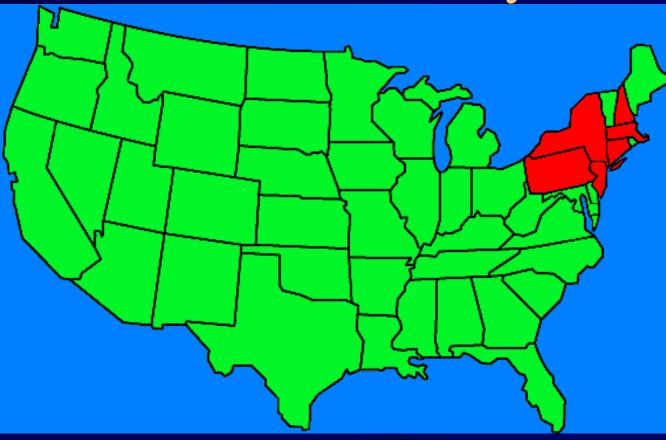
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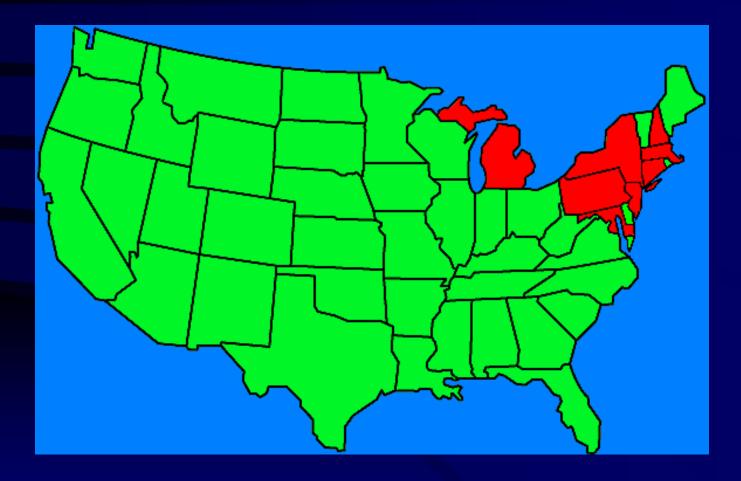
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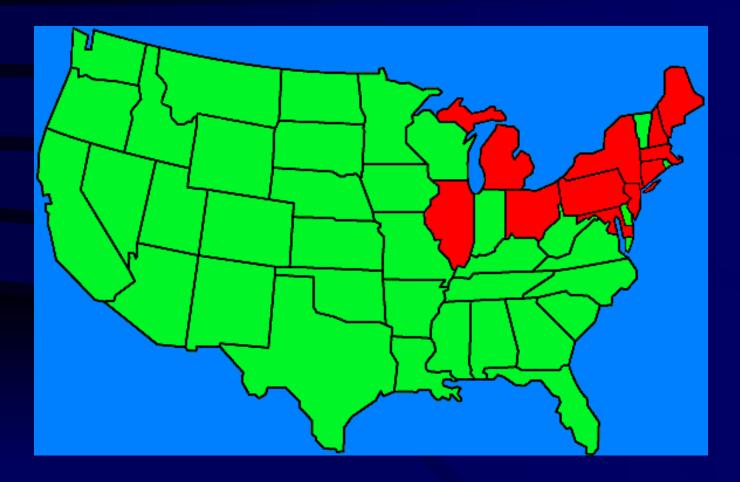
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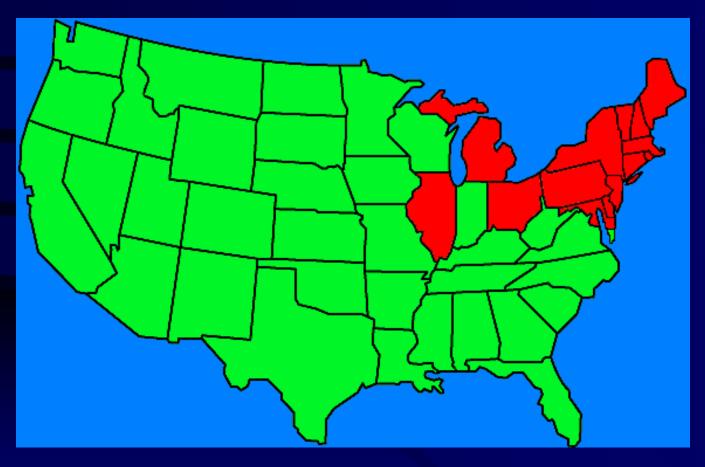
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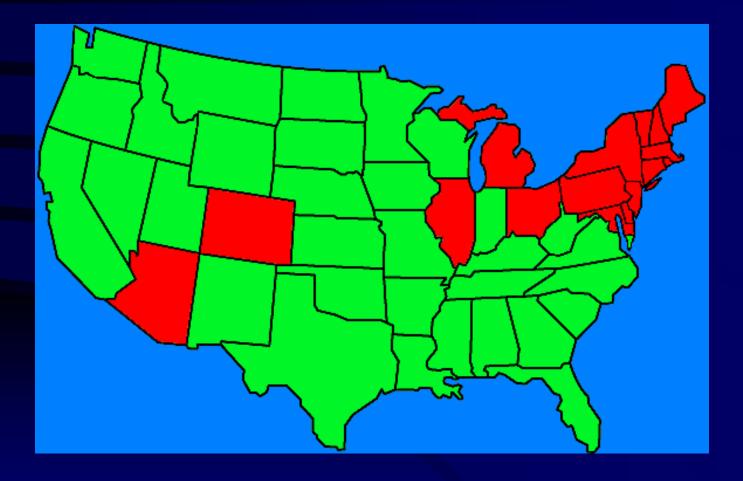
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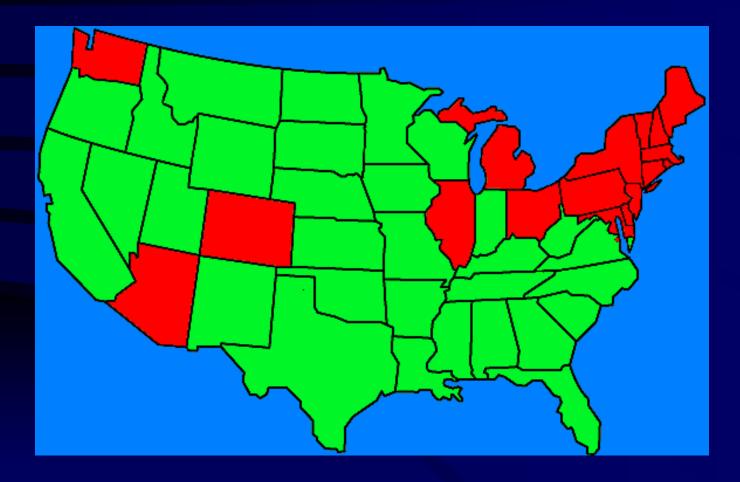
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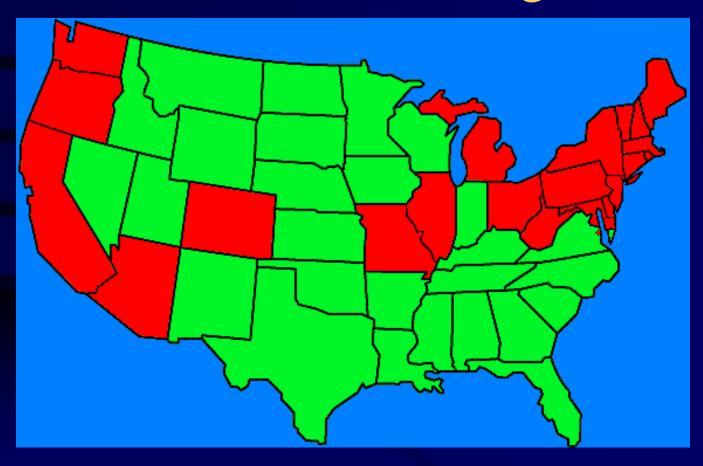
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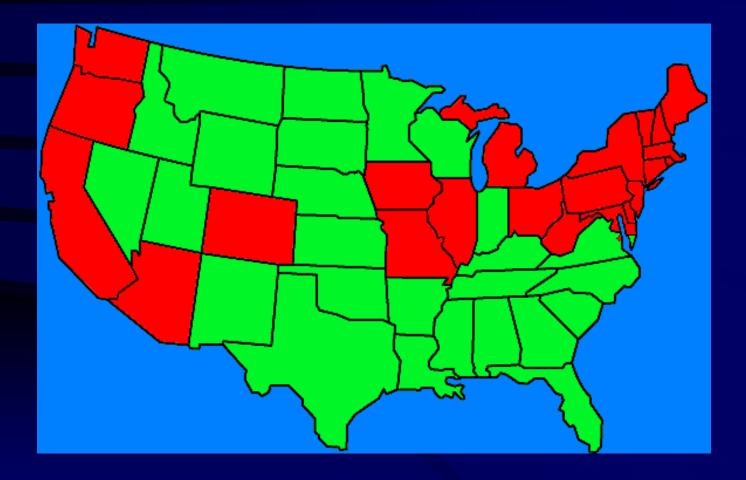
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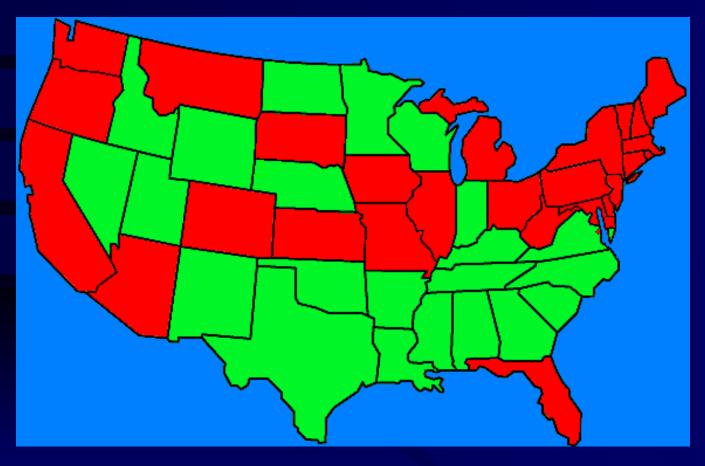
### 1984 - Oregon, California, Missouri, West Virginia



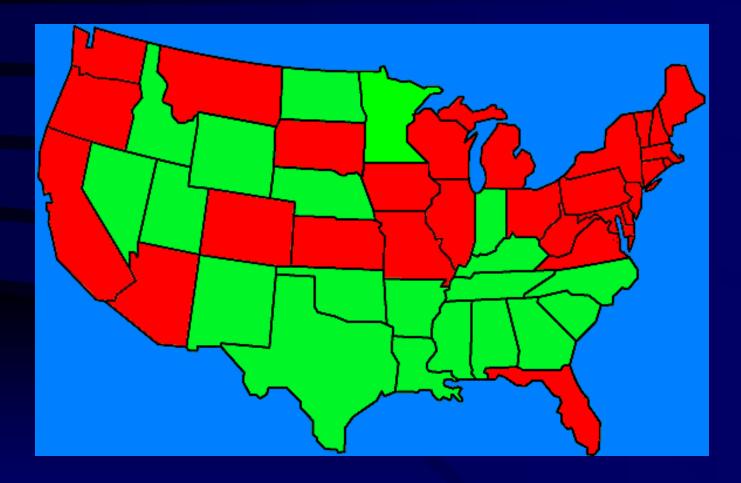
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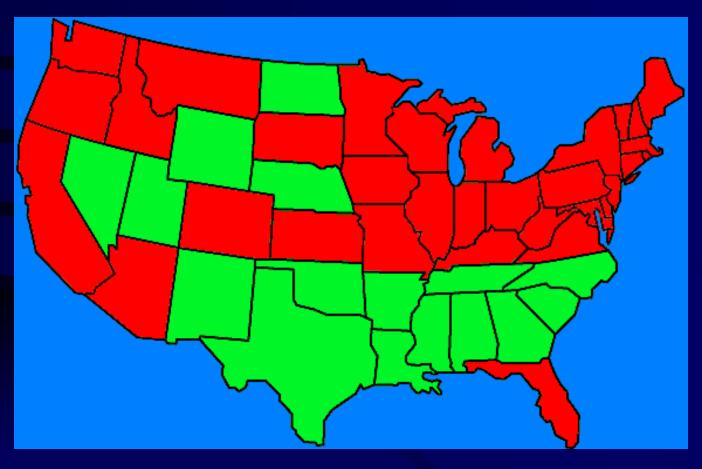
### 1986 - South Dakota, Kansas, Florida



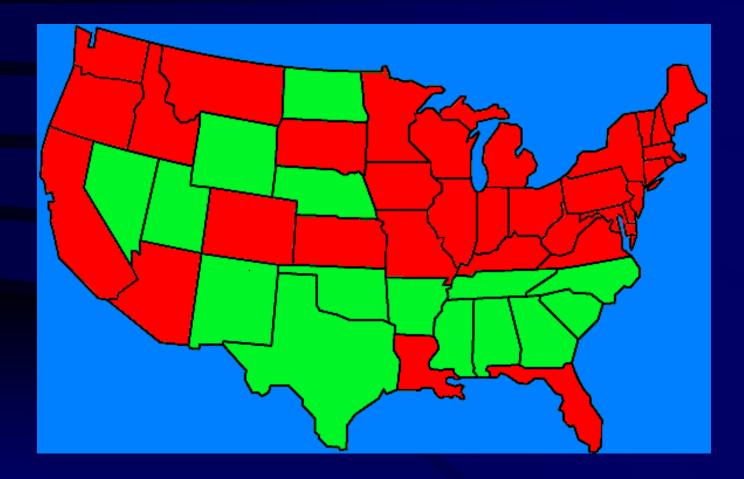
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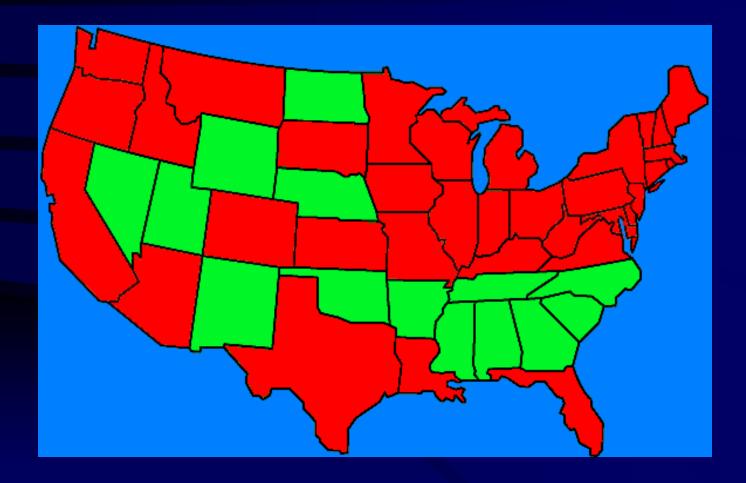
### 1988 - Kentucky, Idaho, Indiana, Minnesota



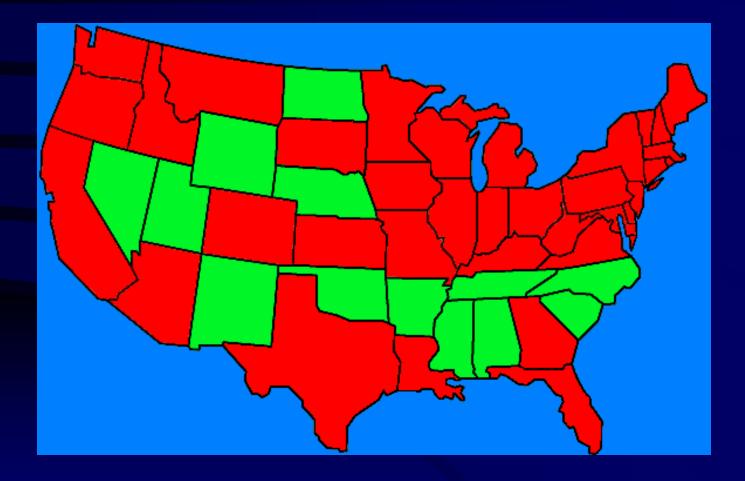
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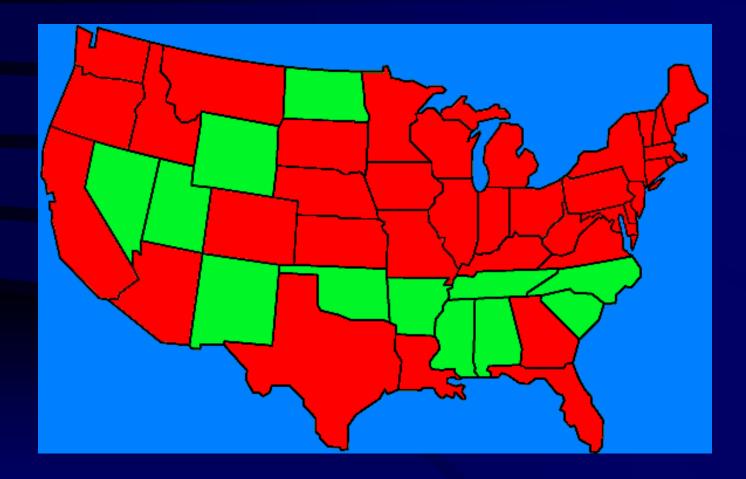
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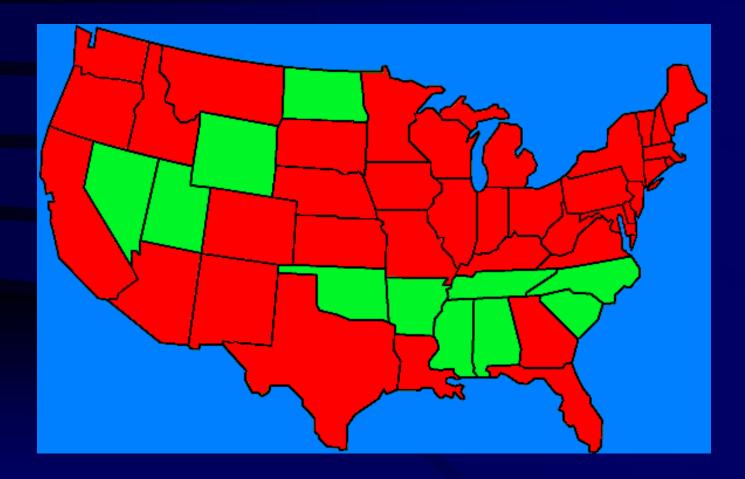
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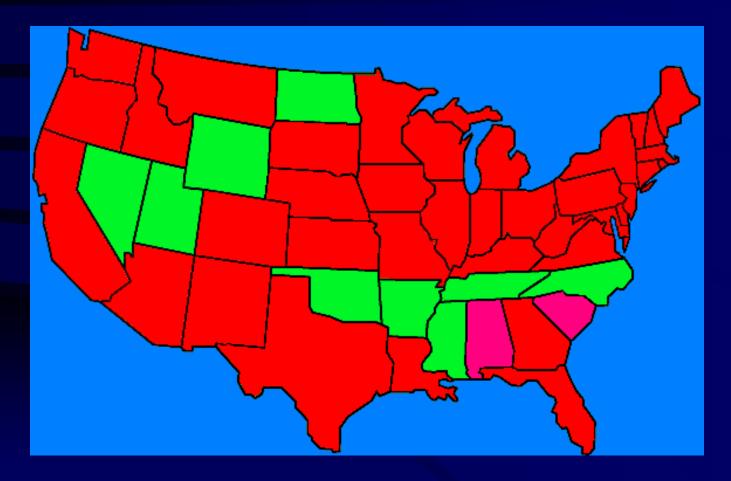
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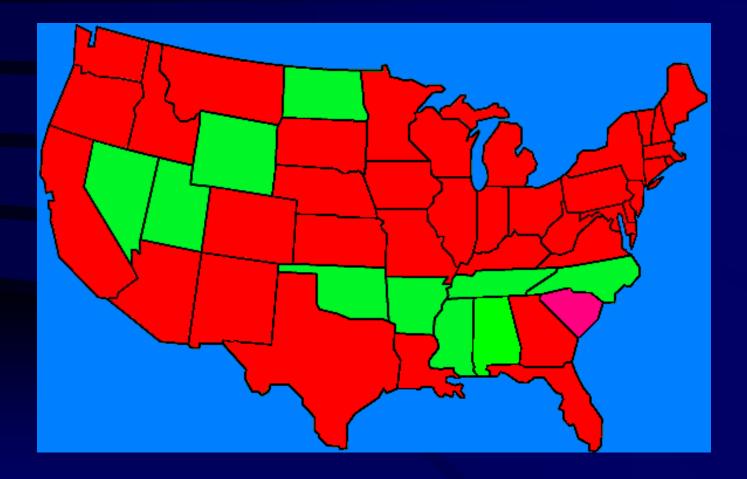
#### 1995 - New Mexico



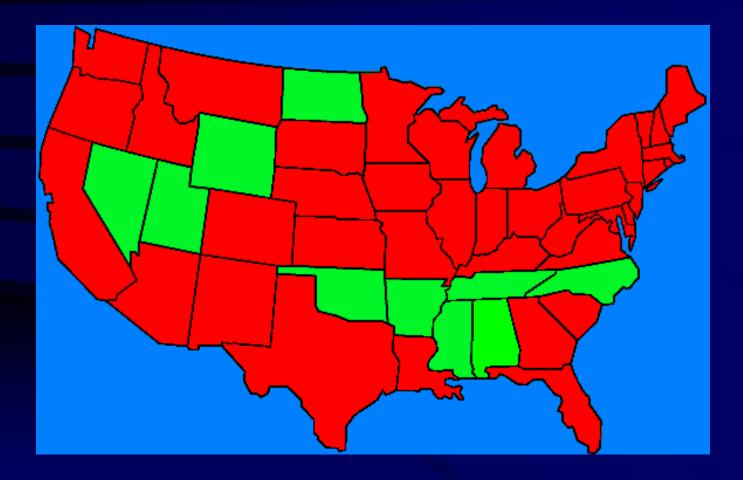
### 1998 Elections -Alabama & South Carolina



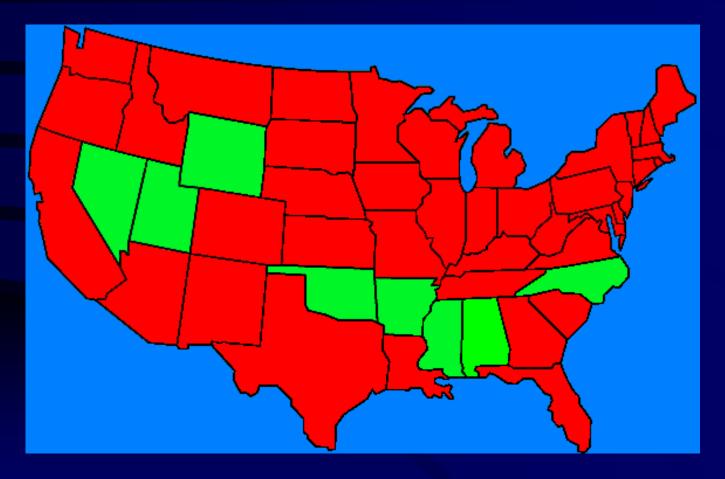
#### 1999 Election - Alabama



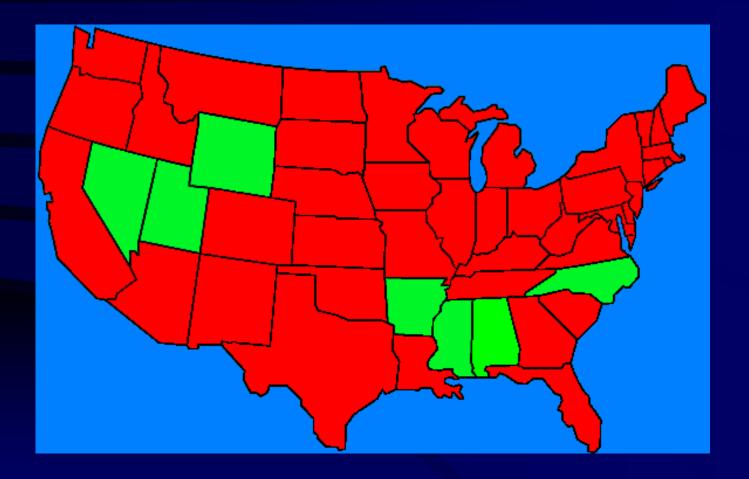
#### Nov. 2000 - South Carolina



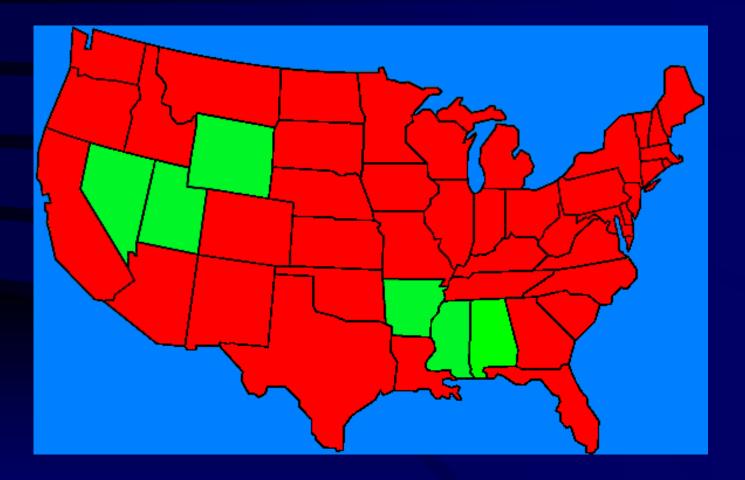
### Nov. 2002 - North Dakota, Tennessee



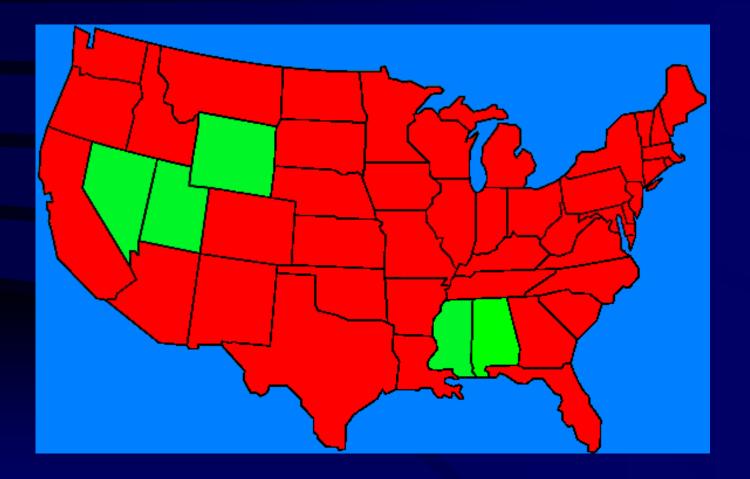
### Nov. 2004 - Oklahoma



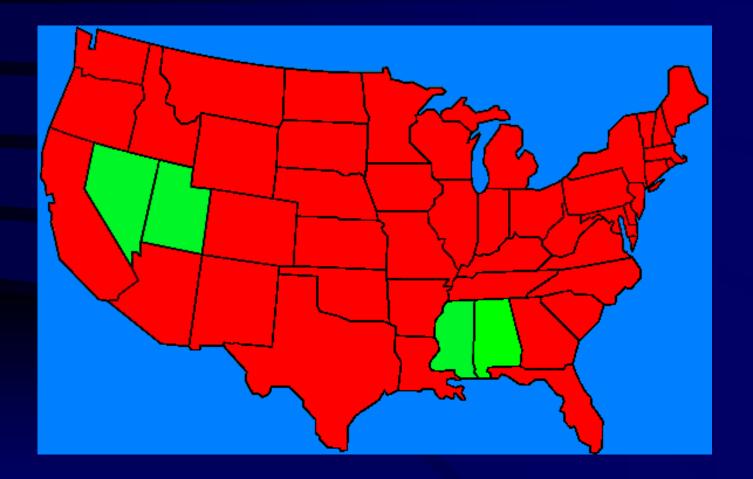
#### Nov. 2005 – North Carolina



### Nov. 2008 – Arkansas



### 2013 – Wyoming



U.S. Supreme Court Murphy v. NCAA (PASPA)

- Much more than allows states to have sports betting
- States can legalize any form of gambling
- Federal government cannot order state governments to do ANYTHING

#### **Constitutional Law**

- States were and still are sovereigns. Federal government only has power over individuals, not over states or state officials.
- States still have the power to do anything, unless they gave it up when they created the federal government.
- Federal government does not have the power to do anything, unless that power is listed in the U.S. Constitution

#### Winners

- Casinos, especially in Atlantic City
- Indian tribes?
- Sports leagues and teams, colleges
- Broadcasters of sports events
- Legal bookies around the world
- State politicians and lobbyists
- Internet poker operators
- Marijuana dealers and growers

#### Losers

- Nevada casinos and bookies?
- The State of Nevada?
- Indian tribes?
- Illegal internet sports books
- Fantasy sports
- Donald Trump Cannot order state police to help round up illegal aliens
- A.G. Jeff Sessions Same with pot



- Will Congress do anything?
  - -Amend Wire Act to allow interstate and international sports bets?
  - -Enact national regulations?
- Can territories have sports betting: Guam, Puerto Rico, USVI and CNM?
- Will the Leagues get their "Integrity fee"?

### How Sports Books Make \$ and Why a 1% Integrity Fee Won't Work

- Standard bet: \$11 to win \$10. Total bet \$22
- Line Team A must win by more than 7 points
- Bettor1 bets on Team A; Bettor2 bets on Team B
- Whichever wins gets \$21
- Bookie makes \$1 before taxes and expenses
- 1% "integrity fee" = \$.22 of that \$1.00
- Actual Numbers: Nevada's 198 sports books won \$1.2 million on \$159 million SuperBowl bets
- 1% "integrity fee" = \$1.59 million



- Which states will be first?
  - -New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia
  - -Delaware
- Do state constitutions have to be amended?
- Who will get the licenses, especially in states like California?
- Are there ways around the Wire Act?

#### Since May SCOTUS Decision

- MGM official gaming partner of NBA & WNBA; new sports betting gaming platform
- Meadowland track \$3.5 million in first 9 days
- NM State Lottery, WV, RI, Miss., MD, etc.
- FanDuel bought by Paddy Power Betfair
- FanDuel (& DraftKing) spent \$205 million in 2015; announce TV sports betting shows
- English style betting begins
- Point-shaving & other cheating inevitable.



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