

GBC backs slots

The **Greater Baltimore Committee**, one of the region's largest business advocacy groups, is throwing its weight behind a proposal to legalize slot machine gambling in Maryland. The GBC's board of directors and CEO Donald C. Fry said Sept. 17 that after studying the issue for many years, they decided "this slots proposal makes sense." Without it, state leaders would likely be forced to hack budgets and raise taxes on businesses, Fry warned. Voters will consider a plan to place 15,000 slot machines around the state on a referendum Nov. 4.