



JOINT STATEMENT FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION, NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE, MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL, MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER AND CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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The National Basketball Association, the National Hockey League, Major League Baseball, Major League Soccer, and the Canadian Football League support an amendment to Canada's federal laws that would authorize provinces to offer betting on single sporting events. Sports betting gives fans another exciting way to engage with the sports they love. Because a legal and regulated sports betting market in Canada would be beneficial to sports and their fans, we urge prompt action to make this a reality. Sports betting already happens illegally in Canada; creating a legal framework would shift consumers from illicit, unregulated markets to a legal and safe marketplace. Regulating single-game betting would allow for strong consumer protections as well as safeguards to further protect the integrity of sports.

SIGNED:

Adam Silver	National Basketball Association
Gary Bettman	National Hockey League
Rob Manfred	Major League Baseball
Don Garber	Major League Soccer
Randy Ambrosie	Canadian Football League