

Nevada toys with Internet gaming beyond state line

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The road to Nevada offering online poker to residents of other states is long and tortuous and gaming regulators took a step in that journey Wednesday when the state Gaming Control Board conducted a workshop meeting on a proposal for companies to offer progressive jackpots across state lines.

The state's largest slot machine manufacturers – International Game Technology and Bally Technologies – petitioned the Nevada Gaming Commission to amend regulations to allow multijurisdictional progressive prizes.

Gaming Control Board Chairman A.G. Burnett concurred that adoption of the amendments to the regulation could be viewed as a first step toward developing online poker across state lines.

“You might say we'd be sticking our toe in the water,” Burnett said of the proposal.

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