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## Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement

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### What is R.A.V.E. and P.O.L.D.?

**Retail Alcohol Vendor Enforcement (R.A.V.E.)** is a law enforcement education and enforcement initiative that educates licensed alcohol establishments in safe and responsible alcohol service. When businesses do not comply with the laws, **R.A.V.E.** focuses on licensed alcohol businesses found to be over serving customers and providing to under age customers. To hold the vendors accountable for these criminal offenses, the program places enforcement personnel into the business to observe sales and service practices to determine if illegal sales are occurring and to work with local authorities to take appropriate regulatory or criminal action if education efforts are not successful.

**Place of Last Drink (P.O.L.D.)** is an element in the **R.A.V.E.** program. **P.O.L.D.** focuses on incidents where over serving occurred and it has been determined that these incidents are tied to other criminal activity such as DWIs, domestic assaults, etc. When this occurs, **R.A.V.E.** teams conduct an investigation of the crime and/or conduct undercover observations of these businesses to determine if illegal activity is occurring.

Although this concept is in its infancy in our state, this strategy has proven successful in limiting over serving of alcohol, which contributes to traffic crashes, assaults and other alcohol related crimes. If your agency and local government are interested in initiating this program, please contact me to schedule a training opportunity. Department of Public Safety - Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement (AGED) is currently looking for several departments to be an initial "pilot" group of communities using **R.A.V.E.** and **P.O.L.D.** and we will assist you at no charge in setting up your program.

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