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Senate Bill 170 – GAMING; ELECTRONIC PULL-TABS

"An Act relating to gaming; relating to bingo; relating to pull-tabs and electronic pull-tab systems; and providing for an effective date."

Summary of Changes – ver. I to ver. \T

Section 4. Inserted new section. Amends AS 05.15.080(b) requires the annual reports to the department include the source and monetary value of marketing or promotional material received from a distributor.

The following sections are renumbered accordingly.

Section 20. AS 05.15.180(e) is amended to clarify that the top prize for a bingo session may not be more than \$10,000 and not more than \$2500 for a bingo game.

The total value of all door prizes may not exceed \$40,000 per month or \$480,000 per year.

Drafting convention changes were made to paragraphs 1, 2 & 3.

Section 25. Amends new AS 05.15.181:

Subsection (g) is amended to prohibit a manufacturer from providing or receiving gifts or anything of value.

Amends subsection (i) to prohibit a manufacturer from distributing electronic pull-tabs to a distributor if an ownership interest in that distributor is held by the manufacturer.

Section 26. AS 05.15.183(a) is further amended to prohibit the issuance of an electronic pull-tab endorsement to a distributor's license should an ownership interest be held by a manufacturer, a parent or sister company or subsidiary of a manufacturer. (Pg 12 ln 18-20)

Section 29. AS 05.15.183(h) is amended:

(8) Removed the term "subsidiary".

(9) Restricts distribution of electronic pull-tabs by a distributor from a manufacturer referenced in AS 05.15.181(i). (Pg 10, ln 25 to Pg 11, line 1)

Inserts new paragraph (10) Specifying a distributor may not distribute a pull-tab game to a permittee or licensee that is owned or managed by a close relative of an owner or employee of the distributor.

Amends (j) by adding a reporting requirement for all marketing or promotional items provided under this subsection to include the value and location where the items will be used or displayed. (Pg 14, ln 12-15)

Amends (m) specifying a contract may not include an incentive or bonus and there may not be a penalty based on the length of the contract. (Pg 14, ln 25-27)

Section 32. Amends AS 05.15.186 (e) to specify the ideal payout may not exceed 90%.

Section 37. Amends AS 05.15.187

(j) to require the designated person in charge must be onsite and provide direct oversight of the gaming system(s). (Pg 17, ln 29-30)

Amends (k) changing optional limits on tablets in play to mandatory limits. Adds an alternate method of calculating the number of tablets which may be in play on a premises (based on occupancy or 10 tablets, whichever is greater).

Former paragraph (n) is deleted and the remaining paragraph is re-lettered.

Amends re-lettered (n) to remove \$250 gift cap. (No gifts may be accepted.)

Section 41. Amends AS 05.15.188

(l) establishing permittee payout to a vendor for electronic pull-tabs may not be more than 25 percent.

(q) is amended to require monthly payments by a vendor to a permittee be made not later than the 15th day of the month for the previous month's sales. Allows a distributor to assist a vendor in the transfer of these payments subject to department approval. Grants the department authority to adopt appropriate regulations.

(t) is amended to remove \$250 gift cap. (No gifts may be accepted.)

Section 47. AS 05.15.690(40) is amended to expand the definition of a "qualified organization" to add a school-based booster club in existence for less than three years if the club is supporting an activity which has been in existence for three years prior to application. (Pg 21, ln 10-15)

Section 51. Conforming changes.

Section 52. Adds new transition section to permit adoption of regulations by the department.

Following sections are renumbered.

Section 53. Adds immediate effective date for Sec. 52.

Sections 54 and 55. Conforming changes.