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SB 184 Reengrossed

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Present law excludes video line up games, mechanical reel games, or any combination thereof from the definition of "video draw poker device".

Proposed law deletes the exclusion of video line up games, mechanical reel games, or any combination thereof from the definition of "video draw poker device".

Present law defines "video draw poker" as any card game approved by the division that utilizes one deck of cards per hand with multiple hands permitted per game.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law requires that, for card games, each video draw poker device shall use a display with images of cards that closely resemble standard poker playing cards.

Proposed law provides that a video draw poker device may also use additional displays for entertainment purposes and otherwise retains present law.

Present law provides that a qualified truck stop facility may be granted a license for the placement of up to 50 video draw poker devices in his facility based on the fuel sales of the qualified truck stop.

Proposed law provides that after ten years of operation as a qualified truck stop facility, such facility shall be permitted to retain the number of devices for which the facility qualified in the prior calendar year of operation provided the facility meets a minimum fuel requirement of not less than 25,000 gallons per month without having to meet the fuel sales requirements of present law.

Present law requires all qualified truck stop facilities operate a fuel facility that offers fuel sales for vehicle consumption.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the Gaming Control Board to adopt rules to recognize alternative fuel sources to satisfy the fuel sale requirement.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 27:402(17), 405(A)(6) and (C)(2), and 416(C) and (D))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the original bill

1. Deletes proposed law changes to the definition of "video draw poker".
2. Clarifies that video draw poker devices are allowed to operate games utilizing one deck of cards or multiple decks of cards.
3. Adds that a video draw poker device may use displays other than images resembling standard poker playing cards only if the additional displays are for entertainment purposes.
4. Deletes proposed law changes to the fuel sale requirements of a qualified truck stop facility.

5. Adds that, after ten years of operation, a qualified truck stop facility shall be permitted to operate the number of devices for which the facility qualified in the prior calendar year without having to meet the fuel sales requirements of present law.
6. Removes repeal of present law provisions regarding the temporary placement of video draw poker devices for new licensees for one year until the licensee's fuel sales can be determined.
7. Makes technical changes.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Removes provisions relative to qualified truck stop amenities.
2. Removes provisions relative to leasing or subleasing of certain business operations by qualified truck stop amenities.
3. Clarifies number and type of cards "each hand" must include.
4. Adds that, after ten years of operation, a qualified truck stop facility shall be permitted to operate the number of devices for which the facility qualified in the prior calendar year provided the facility meets a minimum fuel requirement of not less than 25,000 gallons per month without having to meet the fuel sales requirements of present law.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the reengrossed bill:

1. Make technical corrections.