

SENATE BILL NO. 362

BY SENATOR MORRELL

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 27:306(A)(5)(d), relative to the operation of video draw poker devices at qualified truck stop facilities; to provide with respect to the closing of certain amenities of a qualified truck stop facility; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 27:306(A)(5)(d) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§306. State license qualifications; limitations; right to hearing

A. * * *

(5) * * *

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the owner or lessor of a qualified truck stop facility, **except for a qualified truck stop facility located in Orleans Parish,** may close the restaurant on the premises of the qualified truck stop facility during a legal holiday as defined in R.S. 1:55~~(B)(1)~~(a).

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Section 2. In the event Senate Bill 575 of the 2012 Regular Session is enacted into law, the Louisiana State Law Institute is hereby directed to redesignate R.S. 27:306(A)(5)(d) as amended in this Act as R.S. 27:418(C).

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____

VETO MESSAGE

"Senate Bill No. 362 by Senator Morrell would allow truck stop facilities to close their restaurants more often than currently permitted, while still allowing them to operate their video poker devices.

Current law requires qualified truck stop facilities to meet certain standards and maintain certain amenities in order to have video poker devices on their premises. I am concerned that this bill would weaken these existing safeguards found in current law.

For this reason, I have vetoed Senate Bill No. 362 and hereby return it to the Senate."