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DIGEST

Morrell (SB 133)

<u>Present law</u> prohibits any person under the age of 21 years to enter or be permitted to enter, the designated gaming area of a riverboat, the official gaming establishment, or the designated slot machine gaming area of a pari-mutuel wagering facility which offers live horse racing licensed for operation and regulated by the Gaming Control Board.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but provides an exception for emergency responders under the age of 21 who are acting in their official capacity to enter such area.

<u>Present law</u> provides that any person who has or controls directly or indirectly five percent or more ownership, income, or profit or economic interest in an entity which has or applies for a license or permit or enters into a casino operating contract with the state pursuant to the provisions of this Title, or who receives five percent or more revenue interest in the form of a commission, finder's fee, loan repayment, or any other business expense related to the gaming operation, or who has the ability, in the opinion of the board, to exercise a significant influence over a licensee, the casino gaming operator, a permittee, or other person required to be found suitable pursuant to the provisions of law, is also required to meet all suitability requirements and qualifications pursuant to the provisions of law.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and requires any person who also has the capacity to exercise a significant influence over a licensee, the casino gaming operator, or a permittee, is also required to meet all suitability requirements and qualifications.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that in determining whether a person has significant influence, the board or division may consider but is not limited to the following: management and decision making authority; operational control; financial relationship; receipt of gaming revenue or proceeds; financial indebtedness; and gaming related associations.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 14:90.5(B) and R.S. 27:28(H)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Adds provision regarding emergency responders.