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BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 27:29.3(A) and (B)(1)(b) and (2) and to repeal R.S. 27:29.3(F), 3 relative to non-gaming supplier permits; to provide relative to findings of suitability; 4 to provide for contracting of goods and services; and to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 27:29.3(A) and (B)(1)(b) and (2) are hereby amended and reenacted 7 to read as follows: 8 §29.3. Non-gaming supplier permit Employee training; supplier suitability 9 A.(1) The division shall issue a non-gaming supplier permit to suitable 10 persons who furnish services or goods and receive compensation or remuneration for 11 such goods or services to the holder of a license as defined in R.S. 27:44 or 353, or 12 the casino gaming operator, or a sports wagering operator as defined in R.S. 27:602. 13 The board shall promulgate rules establishing the threshold amount of goods and 14 services for which a non-gaming supplier permit is required. The board may limit 15 the calculation of compensation or remuneration based on goods and services related 16 to operations in Louisiana. Such services include but are not limited to industries 17 offering goods or services whether or not directly related to gaming activity, 18 including junket operators and limousine services contracting with the holder of a

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license as defined in R.S. 27:44 or 353, or the casino gaming operator, or a sports wagering operator as defined in R.S. 27:602, suppliers of food and nonalcoholic beverages, gaming employee or dealer training schools, garbage handlers, vending machine providers, linen suppliers, or maintenance companies. Any employee or dealer training school, other than employee or training schools conducted by a licensee, or the casino gaming operator, shall be conducted at an institution approved by the Board of Regents or the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

- (2) Any person who, directly or indirectly, furnishes services or goods to the holder of a license as defined in R.S. 27:44 or 353, the casino gaming operator, or a sports wagering operator as defined in R.S. 27:602, regardless of the dollar amount of the goods and services furnished or who has a business association with the holder of a license as defined in R.S. 27:44 or 353, the casino operator, or a sports wagering operator as defined in R.S. 27:602; is subject to the jurisdiction of the board and division and may be found unsuitable. Therefore, any such person may be required by the board or division, where applicable, to be found suitable or apply for a non-gaming supplier permit and be required to reimburse the board and division for any reasonable costs incurred, not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars. Failure to supply all information required by the board or division, where applicable, may result in a finding of unsuitability or denial of a non-gaming supplier permit.
- B.(1) The division may waive any person or field of commerce from the requirements of this Subsection if the division determines either of the following:

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- (b) That permitting submitting to suitability is not advisable or necessary in order to protect the public interest or to accomplish the policies established by this Section.
- (2) Any non-gaming supplier required to obtain a non-gaming supplier permit, other than those listed in Subsection E of this Section may request a waiver of the necessity of obtaining a non-gaming supplier permit. The division may grant such a request upon a showing of good cause by the non-gaming supplier. No entity holding a license to conduct gaming operations under this Title shall contract for the

| 1 | provision of goods or services with any person in their employ who holds a key |
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| 2 | gaming employee permit as defined in R.S. 27:3. |
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| 4 | Section 2. R.S. 27:29.3(F) is hereby repealed in its entirety. |
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