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Abstract: Provides that unclaimed prize tickets from pari-mutuel wagering and electronic gaming jackpots shall be collected and used exclusively for health care services of victims of sexually oriented criminal offenses.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the regulation of gaming at the land-based casino, riverboats, and slot machine gaming at horse tracks.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a 90-day time period for presentation of winning pari-mutuel wagering (horse racing) tickets.

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes a 90-day time period to present a winning jackpot ticket from an electronic gaming device for payment of the jackpot. Further provides that the failure to present such a ticket within the prescribed time constitutes a waiver of the right to a jackpot payment. Thereafter, the holder of such ticket has no right to enforce payment of the ticket.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the funds held by any licensee or the casino gaming operator for payment of outstanding winning tickets and for the payment of electronic gaming device jackpots shall be retained by such licensee for such purpose until the expiration of 90 days after the date printed on the ticket. Funds so collected shall be remitted to the state treasurer for deposit into the Crime Victims Reparations Fund.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that monies collected from all these sources shall be used exclusively for payment of costs associated with health care services of victims of sexually oriented criminal offenses, excluding forensic medical examinations.

(Amends R.S. 4:176(B) and 219(C) and R.S. 46:1816(C); Adds R.S. 27:94, 252, and 394 and R.S. 46:1816(B)(8))