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**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

2018 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Thibaut to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 525 by  
Senator LaFleur

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert the following:

3 "To amend and reenact R.S. 4:183(B)(introductory paragraph) and (3),  
4 214.1(B), and R.S. 27:372(A) and to enact R.S. 4:147.1(D) and R.S. 27:372(C) and  
5 (D), relative to horse racing; to provide for the duties and powers of"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 2

7 On page 1, line 7, after "another;" and before "and to" insert the following:

8 "to provide for a maximum number of gaming positions authorized within  
9 the designated gaming area; to provide relative to tournaments conducted at  
10 horse racing facilities; to provide for exceptions; to provide for contingent  
11 effectiveness;"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 3

13 On page 2, after line 2, add the following:

14 "Section 2. R.S. 4:183(B)(introductory paragraph) and (3) and  
15 214.1(B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

16 §183. Contracts between licensees and permittees licensed to race horses at  
17 race meetings conducted in the state

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19 B. Monies due as purses to persons licensed to race horses at race  
20 meetings conducted in the state as a result of conditions outlined in ~~R.S.~~  
21 ~~4:183(A)~~ **Subsection A of this Section** and the monies due to the  
22 Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association pursuant to the provisions  
23 of ~~R.S. 4:183(A)(4)(b)~~ **Subparagraph (A)(4)(b) of this Section** shall be  
24 allocated and distributed during the race meeting at which earned.

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26 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (2) of this  
27 Subsection, the provisions of this Paragraph shall ~~only apply~~ **apply only** to  
28 thoroughbred race meetings at any facility ~~where the purse revenue derived~~  
29 ~~from slot machines is limited by law to a certain expressly stated number of~~  
30 ~~slot machines~~ **subject to the provisions of R.S. 27:372.1(A)**. For such  
31 facilities, in the event the amount distributed as purses to persons licensed to  
32 race horses at thoroughbred race meetings conducted in the state is less than  
33 the amount required by Subsection A of this Section, and more than an  
34 amount equal to two times the average daily purse distribution at the race  
35 meeting at which such amount is generated, it shall be delivered to the  
36 Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association for further distribution  
37 to persons having earned monies during the meeting, in the direct proportion  
38 that the underpayment is to the monies earned by that person at that meeting.  
39 In the event the underpayment is less than an amount equal to two times the

1 average daily purse distribution at that meeting, it shall be retained by the  
2 association in an interest-bearing account to be used for purses at the next  
3 thoroughbred race meeting conducted by that association. Interest earned on  
4 the account shall be added to the purse paid over and above the amount  
5 required to be paid as purses by Subsection A of this Section.

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7 §214.1. Minimum live racing dates; offtrack and other authorized wagering

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9 B. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, at any  
10 facility ~~where the purse revenue derived from slot machines is limited by law~~  
11 ~~to a certain expressly stated number of slot machines~~ **subject to the**  
12 **provisions of R.S. 27:372.1(A)**, such facility shall maintain a minimum of  
13 eighty thoroughbred horse racing days conducted during twenty consecutive  
14 weeks and not less than ten days of quarter horse racing conducted during  
15 three consecutive weeks. The racing days provided for in this Subsection  
16 shall be conducted within a fifty-two week period. The foregoing minimum  
17 racing requirements are mandatory unless the association is prevented from  
18 live racing as a result of a natural disaster, an act of God, force majeure, a  
19 catastrophe, or such other occurrence over which the association has no  
20 control. When a pari-mutuel wagering facility and a related offtrack betting  
21 facility are sold, the purchaser shall conduct the minimum number of live  
22 racing days, including the minimum quarter horse racing days, required by  
23 this Section as a condition of operating the offtrack betting facility.

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25 Section 3. R.S. 27:372(A) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
26 27:372(C) and (D) are hereby enacted to read as follows.

27 §372. Slot machine gaming area limitations

28 A. ~~The size of the designated gaming area in an eligible facility shall~~  
29 ~~not exceed fifteen thousand square feet~~ **contain more than one thousand**  
30 **seven hundred ninety-three gaming positions, except as provided in**  
31 **Subsection D of this Section.**

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33 **C. As used in this Section, "gaming position" means a slot**  
34 **machine seat. Each slot machine seat shall be counted as one position,**  
35 **subject to the rules and regulations of the board. The board shall**  
36 **specifically provide by rule for the counting of gaming positions for**  
37 **devices and games where seats and spaces are not readily countable.**

38 **D. In addition to the limitations set forth in Subsection A of this**  
39 **Section, an eligible facility may conduct up to five tournaments per year**  
40 **of no more than fourteen days in length for each tournament. A**  
41 **tournament as provided for in this Subsection may be conducted within**  
42 **the designated gaming area or outside of the designated gaming area of**  
43 **the eligible facility. Gaming devices used for tournament play shall not**  
44 **be counted for purposes of the maximum number of gaming positions as**  
45 **provided for in Subsection A of this Section.**

46 Section 4. The provisions of Sections 2 and 3 of this Act shall  
47 become effective if and when the Act which originated as SB No. 316 of the  
48 2018 Regular Session of the Legislature is enacted by the legislature and is  
49 signed by the governor; becomes law without signature by the governor  
50 pursuant to Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana; or is  
51 vetoed by the governor but subsequently approved by the legislature."

52 AMENDMENT NO. 4

53 In House Committee Amendment No. 1 by the House Committee on Administration of  
54 Criminal Justice (#3922), on page 1, delete line 3 in its entirety and insert the following:

1 "Section 5. This Section and Sections 1 and 4 of this Act shall become  
2 effective upon signature by the governor"