

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 525

2018 Regular Session

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KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

HORSE RACING. Provides for the transfer of purse funds from one horse racing facility to another. (gov sig)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Provides for 1,632 gaming positions instead of a square foot limitation on gaming area.
2. Defines "gaming positions".
3. Provides signature of governor effective date.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

SB 525 Engrossed

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Present law creates the Louisiana State Racing Commission and provides for the powers and duties of the commission.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that if the commission determines that a licensed facility is unable to conduct all or part of a scheduled meet due to an occurrence over which the facility has no control, the commission may authorize additional or substitute race days. Further, allows the commission to approve a transfer of monies dedicated for purses from one licensed facility to the affected licensed facility.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law provides that if the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association and the involved licensed facilities agree, the commission may approve the transfer of slot machine proceeds received for thoroughbred race purses from one licensed eligible facility to another licensed eligible facility to supplement thoroughbred purses at a thoroughbred race meet. Further, provides that the transferred funds must be awarded within one year of the date of transfer.

Present law, except as to a racing facility in Orleans Parish, the size of the designated gaming area in an eligible facility cannot exceed 15,000 square feet.

Proposed law removes the square foot limitation and provides that the gaming area not contain more than 1,632 gaming positions.

Proposed law defines "gaming position" to mean a slot machine seat and that each slot machine seat shall be counted as one position, subject to the rules and regulations of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. Requires the board to specifically provide by rule for the counting of gaming positions for devices and games where seats and spaces are not readily countable.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 4:1183(B)(intro para) and (3) and R.S. 27:372(A); adds R.S. 4:147.1(D) and R.S. 27:372(A))

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