

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 277

BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS

GAMING. Provides for requirements to the land-based casino operating contract. (7/1/24)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 27:244(D)(1), relative to gaming; to provide for the land-based
3 casino operating contract to conduct gaming operations; to temporarily suspend the
4 requirement of certain provisions; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 27:244(D)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §244. Contract to conduct casino gaming operations; other requirements; breach of
8 contract

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10 D.(1) Paragraphs (A)(11) and (12) of this Section shall be temporarily
11 suspended in force and effect from July 1, 2022, through June 30, ~~2024~~ **2025**.

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13 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2024; if vetoed by the governor
14 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day
15 following such approval by the legislature or July 1, 2024, whichever is later.

The original instrument was prepared by Alan Miller. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Thomas L. Tyler.

DIGEST

SB 277 Reengrossed

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Present law provides for terms and requirements of the land-based casino operating contract.

Present law requires that in addition to the requirements of present law, the casino operating contract include provisions requiring the casino operator to do both of the following:

- (1) The casino gaming operator shall not reduce its total operating force or personnel level below 90% of the force or level as such existed on March 8, 2001.
- (2) The casino gaming operator shall not reduce the total salary levels or compensation of its operating force or personnel by more than 10% of the salary level or compensation as such existed on March 8, 2001.

Present law temporarily suspends the requirement that present law provisions be included in the casino operating contract from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2024.

Proposed law extends the temporary suspension of the requirement that present law provisions be included in the casino operating contract through June 30, 2024, to through June 30, 2025.

Effective July 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 27:244(D)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Deletes provision that authorizes the casino operator to either not reduce its total operating force or personnel level below 90% of the force or level as such existed on March 8, 2001, or not reduce the total salary levels or compensation of its operating force or personnel by more than 10% of the salary level or compensation as such existed on March 8, 2001.
2. Adds provision that extends the temporary suspension of present law requirements regarding personnel levels and salary levels from June 30, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Adds July 1, 2024, effective date.