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## DIGEST

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HB 641 Reengrossed

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**Abstract:** Removes the requirement that the central computer monitoring system for gaming devices shall be located within the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, state police gaming division, and provides that only certain fee increases relative to the central computer monitoring system shall require legislative approval.

Present law provides that all electronic gaming devices on riverboats and slots at tracks live racing facilities be monitored by a central computer which is located within the state police, gaming division.

Proposed law removes the requirement that the central computer be located within the state police gaming division and otherwise retains present law.

Proposed law makes technical corrections to clarify that the central computer monitoring applies to electronic gaming devices at licensed riverboats and at live racing facilities.

Present law provides that the office of state police may assess an annual fee to defray costs associated with defraying the cost of maintaining the central computer system.

Present law provides that no fee shall be imposed or collected unless the legislative committees with jurisdiction over gaming have affirmatively approved the amount of the proposed fee.

Proposed law changes present law to provide that the legislative committees with jurisdiction over gaming shall only be required to affirmatively approve the fee if the amount of the proposed fee exceeds by 50% the fee imposed during the prior year or the sum of \$25.00.

(Amends R.S. 27:30.6(D), (G), (I)(4), (J), and (L))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Provide that the legislative committees with gaming jurisdiction affirmatively approve central computer maintenance fees only when the fee exceeds by 50% the fee imposed during the prior year or the sum of \$25.00.