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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

SB 184

2018 Regular Session

Martiny

Keyword and summary of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

VIDEO POKER. Provides relative to video poker. (8/1/18)

Report adopts House amendments to:

- 1. Make technical changes.
- 2. Increase the minimum fuel sales requirement for truck stops that have been in operation for ten years <u>from</u> 25,000 gallons per month to 30,000 gallons per month to retain the number of devices the facility operated the previous calendar year.
- 3. Limit the number of devices a qualified truck stop facility is permitted to retain after ten years of operation to not more than 40 devices.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

<u>Present law</u> excludes video line up games, mechanical reel games, or any combination thereof from the definition of "video draw poker device".

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes the exclusion of video line up games, mechanical reel games, or any combination thereof from the definition of "video draw poker device".

<u>Present law</u> defines "video draw poker" as any card game approved by the division that utilizes one deck of cards per hand with multiple hands permitted per game.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> requires that, for card games, each video draw poker device shall use a display with images of cards that closely resemble standard poker playing cards.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a video draw poker device may also use additional displays for entertainment purposes and otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> provides that card games must utilize a deck of cards consisting of 52 cards and up to two jokers.

<u>Proposed law</u> clarifies <u>present law</u> and provides that each hand of a card game must utilize a deck of cards consisting of 52 cards and up to two jokers.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a qualified truck stop facility may be granted a license for the placement of up to 50 video draw poker devices in his facility based on the fuel sales of the qualified truck stop.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that after ten years of operation as a qualified truck stop facility, the facility may operate the same number of devices as the previous year, not to exceed 40 devices, if the facility meets a minimum fuel sales requirement of not less than 30,000 gallons per month.

<u>Present law</u> requires all qualified truck stop facilities operate a fuel facility that offers fuel sales for vehicle consumption.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and authorizes the Gaming Control Board to adopt rules to recognize alternative fuel sources to satisfy the fuel sales requirement.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 27:402(17), 405(A)(6) and (C)(2), and 416(C) and (D))