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By Senators CODEY and GORMLEY

AN ACT concerning casino gambling, amending P.L.1978, c.7 1 ¹[and], P.L.1981, c.142 and P.L.1987, c.409, ¹[and]³[,¹]³ 2 amending and supplementing P.L.1977, c.110¹, and repealing 3 sections 48 and 142 of P.L.1977, c.110¹. 4 5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the 6 7 State of New Jersey: 1. Section 1 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1) is amended to read 8 9 as follows: 1. Short title; Declaration of Policy and Legislative Findings. 10 11 a. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Casino 12 Control Act." 13 b. The Legislature hereby finds and declares to be the public 14 policy of this State, the following: (1) The tourist, resort and convention industry of this State 15 constitutes a critical component of its economic structure and, if 16 properly developed, controlled and fostered, is capable of 17 providing a substantial contribution to the general welfare, health 18 and prosperity of the State and its inhabitants. 19 20 (2) By reason of its location, natural resources and worldwide prominence and reputation, the city of Atlantic City and its 21 resort, tourist and convention industry represent a critically 22 23 important and valuable asset in the continued viability and 24 economic strength of the tourist, convention and resort industry 25 of the State of New Jersey. (3) The rehabilitation and redevelopment of existing tourist 26 and convention facilities in Atlantic City, and the fostering and 27 28 encouragement of new construction and the replacement of lost 29 convention, tourist, entertainment and cultural centers in 30 Atlantic City will offer a unique opportunity for the inhabitants 31 of the entire State to make maximum use of the natural 32 resources available in Atlantic City for the expansion and 33 encouragement of New Jersey's hospitality industry, and to that 34 end, the restoration of Atlantic City as the Playground of the World and the major hospitality center of the Eastern United 35 States is found to be a program of critical concern and 36 37 importance to the inhabitants of the State of New Jersey.

EXPLANATION---Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

latter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows: Senate SIH committee amendments adopted March 25, 1991. Senate floor amendments adopted May 9, 1991.

³ Assembly AIA committee amendments adopted June 17, 1991.

(4) Legalized casino gaming has been approved by the citizens 1 2 of New Jersev as a unique tool of urban redevelopment for 3 Atlantic City. In this regard, the introduction of a limited number 4 of casino rooms in major hotel convention complexes, permitted as an additional element in the hospitality industry of Atlantic 5 City, will facilitate the redevelopment of existing blighted areas 6 7 and the refurbishing and expansion of existing hotel, convention, 8 tourist, and entertainment facilities; encourage the replacement of lost hospitality-oriented facilities; provide for judicious use of 9 10 open space for leisure time and recreational activities; and attract new investment capital to New Jersey in general and to 11 Atlantic City in particular. 12

(5) Restricting the issuance of casino licenses to major hotel 13 14 and convention facilities is designed to assure that the existing nature and tone of the hospitality industry in New Jersey and in 15 Atlantic City is preserved, and that the casino rooms licensed 16 17 pursuant to the provisions of this act are always offered and 18 maintained as an integral element of such hospitality facilities, rather than as the industry unto themselves that they have 19 20 become in other jurisdictions.

(6) An integral and essential element of the regulation and 21 control of such casino facilities by the State rests in the public 22 23 confidence and trust in the credibility and integrity of the 24 regulatory process and of casino operations. To further such 25 public confidence and trust, the regulatory provisions of this act 26 are designed to extend strict State regulation to all persons, locations, practices and associations related to the operation of 27 28 licensed casino enterprises and all related service industries as herein provided. In addition, licensure of a limited number of 29 30 casino establishments, with the comprehensive law enforcement supervision attendant thereto, is further designed to contribute to 31 32 the public confidence and trust in the efficacy and integrity of 33 the regulatory process.

34 Legalized casino gaming in New Jersey can attain, (7) maintain and retain integrity, public confidence and trust, and 35 remain compatible with the general public interest only under 36 37 such a system of control and regulation as insures, so far as 38 practicable, the exclusion from participation therein of persons 39 with known criminal records, habits or associations, and the 40 exclusion or removal from any positions of authority or 41 responsibility within casino gaming operations and establishments 42 of any persons known to be so deficient in business probity, 43 ability or experience, either generally or with specific reference 44 to gaming, as to create or enhance the dangers of unsound, unfair or illegal practices, methods and activities in the conduct of 45 46 gaming or the carrying on of the business and financial 47 arrangements incident thereto.

48 (8) Since the public has a vital interest in casino operations in 49 Atlantic City and has established an exception to the general policy of the State concerning gaming for private gain, 50

participation in casino operations as a licensee or registrant 1 2 under this act shall be deemed a revocable privilege conditioned 3 upon the proper and continued qualification of the individual licensee or registrant and upon the discharge of the affirmative 4 5 responsibility of each such licensee or registrant to provide to the 6 regulatory and investigatory authorities established by this act 7 any assistance and information necessary to assure that the 8 policies declared by this act are achieved. Consistent with this 9 policy, it is the intent of this act to preclude the creation of any 10 property right in any license, registration, certificate or 11 reservation permitted by this act, the accrual of any value to the 12 privilege of participation in gaming operations, or the transfer of 13 any license, registration, certificate, or reservation, and to 14 require that participation in gaming be solely conditioned upon the individual qualifications of the person seeking such privilege. 15

16 (9) Since casino operations are especially sensitive and in need 17 of public control and supervision, and since it is vital to the 18 interests of the State to prevent entry, directly or indirectly, into 19 such operations or the ancillary industries regulated by this act of 20 persons who have pursued economic gains in an occupational 21 manner or context which are in violation of the criminal or civil 22 public policies of this State, the regulatory and investigatory 23 powers and duties shall be exercised to the fullest extent 24 consistent with law to avoid entry of such persons into the casino 25 operations or the ancillary industries regulated by this act.

26 (10) Since the development of casino gaming operations in 27 Atlantic City will substantially alter the environment of New 28 Jersey's coastal areas, and since it is necessary to insure that 29 this substantial alteration be beneficial to the overall ecology of the coastal areas, the regulatory and investigatory powers and 30 31 duties conferred by this act shall include, in cooperation with 32 other public agencies, the power and the duty to monitor and 33 regulate casinos and the growth of casino operations to respond to the needs of the coastal areas. 34

35 (11) The facilities in which licensed casinos are to be located 36 are of vital law enforcement [and social] interest to the State, 37 and it is in the public interest that the regulatory and 38 investigatory powers and duties conferred by this act include the 39 power and duty to review architectural and site plans to assure 40 that the proposal is suitable by law enforcement[, aesthetic and 41 architectural] standards.

42 (12) Since the economic stability of casino operations is in the 43 public interest and competition in the casino operations in 44 Atlantic City is desirable and necessary to assure the residents of Atlantic City and of this State and other visitors to Atlantic City 45 46 varied attractions and exceptional facilities, the regulatory and 47 investigatory powers and duties conferred by this act shall 48 include the power and duty to regulate, control and prevent 49 economic concentration in the casino operations and the ancillary 50 industries regulated by this act, and to encourage and preserve

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1 competition.

2 (13) It is in the public interest that the institution of licensed 3 casino establishments in New Jersey be strictly regulated and 4 controlled pursuant to the above findings and pursuant to the provisions of this act, which provisions are designed to engender 5 6 and maintain public confidence and trust in the regulation of the 7 licensed enterprises, to provide an effective method of rebuilding 8 and redeveloping existing facilities and of encouraging new 9 capital investment in Atlantic City, and to provide a meaningful and permanent contribution to the economic viability of the 10 resort, convention, and tourist industry of New Jersey. 11

(14) Confidence in casino gaming operations is eroded to the
extent the State of New Jersey does not provide a regulatory
framework for casino gaming that permits and promotes stability
and continuity in casino gaming operations.

16 (15) Continuity and stability in casino gaming operations 17 cannot be achieved at the risk of permitting persons with 18 unacceptable backgrounds and records of behavior to control 19 casino gaming operations contrary to the vital law enforcement 20 interest of the State.

The aims of continuity and stability and of law 21 (16) 22 enforcement will best be served by a system in which continuous 23 casino operation can be assured under certain circumstances 24 wherein there has been a transfer of property or another interest relating to an operating casino and the transferee has not been 25 26 fully licensed or qualified, as long as control of the operation 27 under such circumstances may be placed in the possession of a person or persons in whom the public may feel a confidence and a 28 29 trust.

30 (17) A system whereby the suspension or revocation of casino
31 operations under certain appropriate circumstances causes the
32 imposition of a conservatorship upon the suspended or revoked
33 casino operation serves both the economic and law enforcement
34 interests involved in casino gaming operations.

35 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.1)

36 2. Section 5 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-5) is amended to read
37 as follows:

Game" 38 5. "Authorized or "Authorized Gambling 39 Game"--Roulette, baccarat, blackjack, craps, big six wheel, slot 40 machines, minibaccarat, red dog, pai gow, and ¹sic bo;¹ any 41 variations or composites of such games, provided that such 42 variations or composites are found by the commission suitable for 43 casino use after an appropriate test or experimental period under 44 such terms and conditions as the commission may deem appropriate 1; and any other game which is authorized by the 45 commission pursuant to section 3 of this amendatory and 46 supplementary act, P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the 47 Legislature as this bill)¹. "Authorized game" or "authorized 48 49 gambling game" includes gaming tournaments in which players 50 compete against one another in one or more of the games listed

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herein or in approved variations or composites thereof if the 1 tournaments are authorized by the commission. 2 3 (cf: P.L.1985, c.350, s.1) 4 $^{1}3$. (New section) The commission may authorize the 5 operation, for a trial period of not more than six months, of any game in addition to the games authorized by statute or by the 6 commission prior to the effective date of this amendatory and 7 supplementary act, P.L., c. (C.). At any time during the 8 9 trial period or at the conclusion of the trial period, the commission may recommend to the Legislature and the Governor 10 that authorization for that game be provided by statute. No 11 game authorized by the commission pursuant to this section shall 12 continue beyond six months unless authorized by enactment of 13 appropriate legislation.¹ 14 ¹[3.] <u>4.</u>¹ Section 6 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-6) is amended to 15 read as follows: 16 6. "Casino" -- A single room [of at least 15,000 square feet] in 17 which casino gaming is conducted pursuant to the provisions of 18 this act. 19 (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.6) 20 1[4.] 5.1 Section 7 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-7) is amended to 21 read as follows: 22 23 7. "Casino Employee"---Any natural person employed in the 24 operation of a licensed casino, including, without limitation, 25 boxmen; dealers or croupiers; floormen; machine mechanics; casino security employees; count room personnel; cage personnel; 26 27 slot machine and slot booth personnel; collection personnel; casino surveillance personnel; and data processing personnel; or 28 29 any other natural person whose employment duties [require or authorize access to restricted casino areas, including, without 30 31 limitation, appropriate maintenance personnel; waiters and and secretaries] ¹predominantly¹ 32 waitresses; involve the 33 maintenance or operation of gaming activity or equipment and assets associated therewith or who, in the judgment of the 34 35 commission, is so regularly required to work in a restricted casino 36 area in gaming-related activities that licensure as a casino 37 employee is appropriate. 38 (cf: P.L.1987, c.353, s.1) 39 ¹[5.] 6.¹ (New section) "Casino hotel security 40 employee"--Any natural person employed to provide physical 41 security in the conduct of the business of an approved hotel but 42 who is not included within the definition of casino security 43 employee as stated in section 11 of P.L. 1977, c. 110 (C. 5:12-11). 44 ¹[6.] <u>7.</u>¹ Section 11 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-11) is amended 45 to read as follows: 46 11. "Casino security employee" -- Any natural person 47 employed by a casino licensee or its agent to provide physical 48 security in a casino [hotel] or restricted casino area. (cf: P.L.1977, c. 110, s.11) 49 ¹[7.] <u>8.</u>¹ Section 12 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-12) is amended 50

1 to read as follows:

12. "Casino Service Industry"---Any form of enterprise which 2 3 provides casino applicants or licensees with goods or services regarding the realty, construction, maintenance, or business of a 4 proposed or existing casino hotel or related facility on a regular 5 or continuing basis, including, without limitation, security 6 7 businesses, gaming schools, manufacturers, distributors and 8 servicers of gaming devices or equipment, garbage haulers, 9 maintenance companies, food purveyors, and construction 10 companies, or any other enterprise which purchases goods or 11 services from or which does any other business with licensed casinos on a regular or continuing basis. Notwithstanding the 12 foregoing, any form of enterprise engaged in the manufacture, 13 14 sale, distribution or repair of slot machines within New Jersey, other than antique slot machines as defined in N.J.S.2C:37-7, 15 shall be considered a casino service industry for the purposes of 16 17 this act regardless of the nature of its business relationship, if any, with licensed casinos in this State. 18

For the purposes of this section, "casino applicant" includes any person required to hold a casino license pursuant to section 82 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-82) who has applied to the commission for a casino license or any approval required under P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.).

24 (cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.2)

25 ¹9. Section 21 of P.L.1977, $c.110^{*}$ (C.5:12-21) is amended to 26 read as follows:

27 21. "Game" or "gambling game" -- Any banking or percentage
28 game located exclusively within the casino played with cards,
29 dice, tiles, dominoes, or any electronic, electrical, or mechanical
30 device or machine for money, property, or any representative of
31 value.¹

32 (cf: P.L.1979, c.282, s.3)

33 $1[8.] 10.^{1}$ Section 27 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27) is amended 34 to read as follows:

35 27. "Hotel" or "approved hotel" -- A single building, or two or 36 more buildings which are physically connected in a manner 37 deemed appropriate by the commission and which are operated as one casino-hotel facility under the provisions of the "Casino 38 Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.), located within 39 40 the limits of the city of Atlantic City as said limits were defined as of November 2, 1976, and containing not fewer than [500] the 41 number of sleeping units required by section 83 of P.L.1977, c.110 42 43 (C.5:12-83), each of which sleeping units shall: a, be at least 325 square feet measured to the center of perimeter walls, including 44 45 bathroom and closet space and excluding hallways, balconies and 46 lounges; [each containing] b. contain private bathroom facilities; and [each] $\underline{c. be}$ held available and used regularly for the lodging 47 48 of tourists and convention guests [and conforming in all respects 49 to the facilities requirements contained in this act. For the 50 purpose of exceeding the maximum casino size specified in

section 83 of this act, an approved hotel may, by means of 1 physical connection, annex additional buildings or facilities to 2 increase the amount of its qualifying meeting, exhibition, dining, 3 entertainment, sports and kitchen support facilities space, but 4 not to increase its number of qualifying sleeping units. "Physical 5 connection" for the purposes herein means an enclosed permanent 6 pedestrian passageway]. In no event shall the main entrance or 7 only access to an approved hotel be through a casino. 8

9 (cf: P.L.1979, c.282, s.7)

¹[9.] 11.¹ (New section) "Institutional investor"--Any 10 ¹retirement fund administered by a public agency for the 11 exclusive benefit of¹ federal, state, or local ¹[retirement fund] 12 public employees¹; ¹[mutual fund] investment company 13 14 registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 15 <u>§80a-1 et seq.); collective investment trust organized by banks</u> under Part Nine of the Rules of the Comptroller of the 16 <u>Currency</u>¹; closed end investment trust; ¹<u>chartered or licensed</u>¹ 17 life insurance company¹[;] \underline{or}^1 property and casualty insurance 18 company; banking and other ¹<u>chartered or</u>¹ licensed lending 19 institution; investment advisor registered under The Investment 20 Advisors Act of 1940 $1(15 \text{ U.S.C. } \$80b-1 \text{ et seq.})^1$; and such 21 other persons as the commission may determine for reasons 22 consistent with the policies of the "Casino Control Act," 23 24 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.).

25 $2[1[10.] \underline{12.}^1$ Section 53 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-53) is 26 amended to read as follows:

27 53. Compensation of Members. Each member of the 28 commission other than the chairman shall receive [compensation 29 of \$67,500.00 per annum] an annual salary in an amount equal to 30 the annual salary for a Judge of the Superior Court. The 31 chairman shall receive [\$5,000.00 per annum in addition to his 32 compensation as a member of the commission] an annual salary in 33 an amount equal to the annual salary of a Judge of the Superior Court, Appellate Division. 34

35 (cf: P.L.1984, c.82, s.1)]²

36 1 [11.] 2 [13.] 12. Section 58 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-58) is 37 amended to read as follows:

38 58. Restrictions on Pre-Employment by Commissioners,
 39 Commission Employees and Division Employees and Agents.

40 a. Deleted by amendment.

b. No person shall be appointed to or employed by the 41 42 commission or division if, during the period commencing three 43 years prior to appointment or employment, said person held any 44 direct or indirect interest in, or any employment by, any person 45 which is licensed as a casino licensee pursuant to section 87 of 46 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-87) or as a casino service industry 47 pursuant to subsection a. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 48 (C.5:12-92a.) or has an application for such a license pending 49 before the commission; provided, however, that notwithstanding 50 any other provision of this act to the contrary, any such person

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may be appointed to or employed by the commission or division if 1 2 his interest in any such casino licensee or casino service industry 3 which is publicly traded would not, in the opinion of the 4 employing agency, interfere with the objective discharge of such person's employment obligations, but in no instance shall any 5 6 person be appointed to or employed by the commission or division 7 if his interest in such a casino licensee or casino service industry 8 which is publicly traded constituted a controlling interest in that 9 casino licensee or casino service industry; and provided further, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of this act to 10 the contrary, any such person may be employed by the 11 commission or division in a secretarial or clerical position if, in 12 the opinion of the employing agency, his previous employment by, 13 14 or interest in, any such casino licensee or casino service industry would not interfere with the objective discharge of such person's 15 16 employment obligations.

c. Prior to appointment or employment, each member of the commission, each employee of the commission, the director of the Division of Gaming Enforcement and each employee and agent of the division shall swear or affirm that he possesses no interest in any business or organization licensed by or registered with the commission.

23 d. Each member of the commission and the director of the division shall file with the Executive Commission on Ethical 24 Standards a financial disclosure statement listing all assets and 25 liabilities, property and business interests, and sources of income 26 27 of said member or director and his spouse and shall provide to the 28 [Attorney General] Executive Commission on Ethical Standards a 29 financial disclosure statement listing all assets and liabilities, property and business interests, and sources of income of the 30 parents, brothers, sisters, and children of said member or 31 32 director. Such statement shall be under oath and shall be filed at the time of appointment and annually thereafter. 33

34 e. Each employee of the commission, except for secretarial and clerical personnel, and each employee and agent of the 35 division, except for secretarial and clerical personnel, shall file 36 with the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards a financial 37 disclosure statement listing all assets and liabilities, property and 38 business interests, and sources of income of said employee or 39 40 agent and his spouse. Such statement shall be under oath and shall 41 be filed at the time of employment and annually thereafter.

42 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.2)

43 1[12.] 2[14.1] 13.2 Section 63 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-63) is 44 amended to read as follows:

45 63. Duties of the Commission. The Casino Control 46 Commission shall have general responsibility for the 47 implementation of this act, as hereinafter provided, including, 48 without limitation, the responsibility:

a. To hear and decide promptly and in reasonable order all
 license, registration, certificate, and permit applications and

causes affecting the granting, suspension, revocation, or renewal
 thereof;

b. To conduct all hearings pertaining to civil violations of this act or regulations promulgated hereunder;

c. To promulgate such regulations as in its judgment may be necessary to fulfill the policies of this act;

d. To collect all license and registration fees and taxes imposed by this act and the regulations issued pursuant hereto;

9 e. To levy and collect penalties for the violation of provisions
10 of this act and the regulations promulgated hereunder;

11 f. To be present through its inspectors and agents at all times 12 during the operation of any casino for the purpose of certifying 13 the revenue thereof[,] and receiving complaints from the public[, 14 and conducting such other investigations into the conduct of the 15 games and the maintenance of the equipment as from time to 16 time the commission may deem necessary and proper]; and

17 g. To review and rule upon any complaint by a casino licensee regarding any investigative procedures of the division which are 18 unnecessarily disruptive of casino operations. The need to 19 20 inspect and investigate shall be presumed at all times. The disruption of a licensee's operations shall be proved by clear and 21 22 convincing evidence, and establish that: (1) the procedures had 23 no reasonable law enforcement purpose, and (2) the procedures were so disruptive as to inhibit unreasonably casino operations. 24

25 (cf: P.L.1987, c.137, s.2)

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26 $1[13.] 2[15.^{1}] 14.^{2}$ Section 68 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-68) is 27 amended to read as follows:

68. Collection of Fees, Penalties or Tax. At any time within 28 29 five years after any amount of fees, interest, penalties or tax 30 required to be collected pursuant to the provisions of this act shall become due and payable, the commission may bring a civil 31 32 action in the courts of this State or any other state or of the 33 United States, in the name of the State of New Jersey, to collect 34 the amount delinquent, together with penalties and interest. An 35 action may be brought whether or not the person owing the 36 amount is at such time an applicant, licensee or registrant 37 pursuant to the provisions of this act. If such action is brought in 38 this State, a writ of attachment may be issued and no bond or 39 affidavit prior to the issuance thereof shall be required. In all actions in this State, the records of the commission shall be 40 41 prima facie evidence of the determination of the fee or tax or 42 the amount of the delinquency.

43 Each debt that is due and payable as a result of fees, interest, 44 penalties, or taxes required to be collected pursuant to the 45 provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.) or the regulations 46 promulgated thereunder, including any compensation authorized 47 pursuant to section 33 of P.L.1978, c.7 (C.5:12-130.3), and each 48 regulatory obligation imposed as a condition upon the issuance or 49 renewal of a casino license which requires the licensee to maintain, as a fiduciary, a fund for a specific regulatory purpose, 50

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shall constitute a lien on the real property in this State owned or

hereafter acquired by the applicant, licensee, or registrant owing

such a debt or on whom such an obligation has been imposed.

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4 Except as otherwise provided in R.S.54:5-9, such a lien shall be a 5 first lien paramount to all prior or subsequent liens, claims, or 6 encumbrances on that property. 7 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.6) 1 [14.] 2 [16.¹] 15.² Section 69 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-69) is 8 amended to read as follows: 9 69. Regulations. a. The commission shall be authorized to 10 adopt, amend, or repeal such regulations, consistent with the 11 policy and objectives of this act, as it may deem necessary or 12 desirable for the public interest in carrying out the provisions of 13 14 this act. b. Such regulations shall be adopted, amended, and repealed in 15 accordance with the provisions of the "Administrative Procedure 16 17 Act," (P.L.1968, c.410; C.52:14B-1 et seq.). 18 Any interested person may, in accordance with the c. provisions of the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, 19 20 c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), file a petition with the commission 21 requesting the adoption, amendment or repeal of a regulation. The commission may, in emergency circumstances, 22 d. 23 summarily adopt, amend or repeal any regulation pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act" (P.L.1968, c.410; C.52:14B-1 24 25 et seq.). 26 e. Notwithstanding any other provision of this act or the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 27 28 et seq.) to the contrary, the commission may, after notice 29 provided in accordance with this subsection, authorize the 30 temporary adoption, amendment or repeal or any rule concerning 31 the conduct of gaming or the use or design of gaming equipment 32 for an experimental period not to exceed [90] 180 days for the 33 purpose of determining whether such rules should be adopted on a 34 permanent basis in accordance with the requirements of this 35 section. Any rules experiment authorized by this subsection shall be conducted under such terms and conditions as the commission 36 37 may deem appropriate. Notice of any temporary rulemaking 38 action taken by the commission pursuant to this subsection shall 39 be published in the New Jersey Register, and provided to the 40 newspapers designated by the commission pursuant to subsection 41 d. of section 3 of P.L.1975, c.231 (C.10:4-8), at least seven days 42 prior to the initiation of the experimental period and shall be 43 posted in each casino participating in prominently the 44 experiment. Nothing herein shall be deemed to require the 45 publication of the text of any temporary rule adopted by the 46 commission or notice of any modification of a rules experiment 47 initiated in accordance with this subsection. The text of any 48 temporary rule adopted by the commission shall be posted in each 49 casino participating in the experiment and shall be available upon request from the commission. ³[In no case shall any temporary 50

1 . rule authorize the use or operation of any game not authorized by 2 the Legislature.]³

(cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.4) 3

4 1 [15.] 2 [17.1] 16.2 Section 70 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-70) is amended to read as follows: 5

6 70. Required Regulations. The commission shall, without limitation on the powers conferred in the preceding section, 7 8 include within its regulations the following specific provisions in 9 accordance with the provisions of this act:

10 a. Prescribing the methods and forms of application which any applicant shall follow and complete prior to consideration of his 11 application by the commission; 12

b. Prescribing the methods, procedures and form for delivery 13 14 of information concerning any person's family, habits, character, associates, criminal record, business activities and financial 15 affairs; 16

Prescribing procedures for the fingerprinting of an C. 17 applicant, employee of a licensee, or registrant, or other methods 18 of identification which may be necessary in the judgment of the 19 commission to accomplish effective enforcement of restrictions 20 on access to the casino floor and other restricted areas of the 21 22 casino hotel complex;

23 Prescribing the manner and procedure of all hearings d. 24 conducted by the commission or any hearing examiner, including special rules of evidence applicable thereto and notices thereof; 25

Prescribing the manner and method of collection of 26 e. payments of taxes, fees, and penalties; 27

f. Defining and limiting the areas of operation, the rules of authorized games, odds, and devices permitted, and the method 29 of operation of such games and devices; 30

Regulating the practice and procedures for negotiable 31 g. transactions involving patrons, including limitations on the 32 33 circumstances and amounts of such transactions, and the 34 establishment of forms and procedures for negotiable instrument 35 transactions, redemptions, and consolidations;

36 h. Prescribing grounds and procedures for the revocation or 37 suspension of operating certificates and licenses;

38 i. Governing the manufacture, distribution, sale, and servicing of gaming devices and equipment; 39

40 j. Prescribing for gaming operations the procedures, forms and methods of management controls, including employee and 41 42 supervisory tables of organization and responsibility, and minimum security standards, 43 including security personnel 44 structure, alarm and other electrical or visual security measures;

45 k. Prescribing the qualifications of, and the conditions 46 pursuant to which, engineers, accountants, and others shall be 47 permitted to practice before the commission or to submit materials on behalf of any applicant or licensee; provided, 48 however, that no member of the Legislature, nor any firm with 49 which said member is associated, shall be permitted to appear or 50

practice or act in any capacity whatsoever before the commission or division regarding any matter whatsoever, nor shall any member of the family of the Governor or of a member of the Legislature be permitted to so practice or appear in any capacity whatsoever before the commission or division regarding any matter whatsoever;

Prescribing minimum procedures for the exercise of
effective control over the internal fiscal affairs of a licensee,
including provisions for the safeguarding of assets and revenues,
the recording of cash and evidence of indebtedness, and the
maintenance of reliable records, accounts, and reports of
transactions, operations and events, including reports to the
commission;

m. Providing for a minimum uniform standard of accountancy 14 methods, procedures and forms; a uniform code of accounts and 15 accounting classifications; and such other standard operating 16 17 procedures, including those controls listed in section 99a. hereof, 18 as may be necessary to assure consistency, comparability, and 19 effective disclosure of all financial information, including 20 calculations of percentages of profit by games, tables, gaming 21 devices and slot machines;

22 n. Requiring periodic financial reports and the form thereof, 23 including an annual audit prepared by a certified public 24 accountant licensed to do business in this State, attesting to the financial condition of a licensee and disclosing whether the 25 records and control procedures examined 26 accounts, are maintained by the licensee as required by this act and the 27 regulations promulgated hereunder; 28

29 Governing the <u>gaming-related</u> advertising of casino о. 30 licensees, their employees and agents, with the view toward assuring that such advertisements are in no way deceptive; 31 32 provided, however, that such regulations shall not prohibit the 33 advertisement of casino location, hours of operation, or types of 34 games and other amenities offered, but in no circumstance shall 35 permit the advertisement of information about odds, the number of games, or the size of the casino; and provided further, 36 37 however, that such regulations shall require the words "Bet with your head, not over it" to appear on all billboards, signs, and 38 other on-site advertising of a casino operation ³and shall require 39 40 the words "If you or someone you know has a gambling problem and wants help, call 1-800 GAMBLER" to appear on all print, 41 42 electronic, billboard, and sign advertising of a casino operation³; 43 and

p. [Governing entertainment presented by casino licensees in
accordance with the prevailing community standards as
determined by the commission] (Deleted by amendment, P.L. _ ,
<u>c.</u>);

q. Concerning the distribution and consumption of alcoholic
beverages on the premises of the licensee, which regulations shall
be insofar as possible consistent with Title 33 of the Revised

Statutes, and shall deviate only insofar as necessary because of
 the unique character of the hotel casino premises and operations;
 [and]

r. [Limiting signs and other on-site advertising, with a view
toward minimizing solicitation for gaming purposes from the
public thoroughfares or otherwise dominating or despoiling the
architecture or environment of the city] (Deleted by amendment,
P.L., c.).

9 (cf: P.L.1982, c.148, s.1)

10 1 [16.] 2 [<u>18.</u>¹] <u>17.</u>² Section 71 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-71) is 11 amended to read as follows:

12 71. a. The commission shall, by regulation, provide for the 13 establishment of a list of persons who are to be excluded or 14 ejected from any licensed casino establishment. Such provisions 15 shall define the standards for exclusion, and shall include 16 standards relating to persons:

17 (1) Who are career or professional offenders as defined by18 regulations of the commission;

(2) Who have been convicted of a criminal offense under the
laws of any state or of the United States, which is punishable by
more than 6 months in prison, or any crime or offense involving
moral turpitude; or

(3) Whose presence in a licensed casino would, in the opinion of
the commission, be inimical to the interest of the State of New
Jersey or, of licensed gaming therein, or both.

The commission shall promulgate definitions establishing those categories of persons who shall be excluded pursuant to this section, including cheats and persons whose privileges for licensure or registration have been revoked.

b. Race, color, creed, national origin or ancestry, or sex shall
not be a reason for placing the name of any person upon such list.

32 c. The commission may impose sanctions upon a licensed 33 casino or individual licensee or registrant in accordance with the 34 provisions of this act if such casino or individual licensee or 35 registrant knowingly fails to exclude or eject from the premises 36 of any licensed casino any person placed by the commission on 37 the list of persons to be excluded or ejected.

d. Any list compiled by the commission of persons to be
excluded or ejected shall not be deemed an all-inclusive list, and
licensed casino establishments shall have a duty to keep from
their premises persons known to them to be within the
classifications declared in paragraph a. of this section and the
regulations promulgated thereunder.

e. Whenever the division petitions the commission to place the
name [or description] of any person [is placed] on a list pursuant
to this section, the commission shall serve notice of such fact to
such person by personal service, by certified mail at the last
known address of such person, or by publication daily for 1 week
in a newspaper of general circulation in Atlantic City.

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f. Within 30 days after service [by mail or in person or 60 days

from the time of last publication, as the case may be] of the 1 petition in accordance with subsection e. of this section, the 2 3 person named for exclusion or ejection may demand a hearing before the commission [and show cause why he should have his 4 name removed from such list], at which hearing the division shall 5 the affirmative obligation to demonstrate 6 have by а 7 preponderance of the evidence that the person named for exclusion or ejection satisfies the criteria for exclusion 8 established by this section and the commission's regulations. 9 Failure to demand such a hearing within [the time allotted in this 10 section] 30 days after service shall be deemed an admission of all 11 matters and facts alleged in the division's petition and shall 12 preclude a person from having an administrative hearing, but 13 14 shall in no way affect his or her right to judicial review as 15 provided herein.

16 g. [Upon receipt of a demand for a hearing, the commission 17 shall set a time and place for such hearing. Unless] The division file an application with the commission requesting 18 may 19 preliminary placement on the list of a person named in a petition 20 for exclusion or ejection pending completion of a hearing on the 21 petition. The hearing on the application for preliminary placement shall be a limited proceeding at which the division 22 23 shall have the affirmative obligation to demonstrate that there is 24 a reasonable possibility that the person satisfies the criteria for 25 exclusion established by this section and the commission's 26 regulations. If a person has been placed on the list as a result of an application for preliminary placement, unless otherwise agreed 27 28 by the commission and the named person, [such] a hearing on the petition for exclusion or ejection shall [not be later than] be 29 30 initiated within 30 days after the receipt of a demand for such 31 hearing or the date of preliminary placement on the list, 32 whichever is later.

33 h. If, upon completion of the hearing on the petition for 34 exclusion or ejection, the commission determines that the 35 [regulation does not or should not apply to the person so listed] 36 person named therein does not satisfy the criteria for exclusion established by this section and the commission's regulations, the 37 38 commission shall issue an order denying the petition. If the 39 person named in the petition for exclusion or ejection had been 40 placed on the list as a result of an application for preliminary 41 placement, the commission shall notify all casino licensees of 42 [such determination] his or her removal from the list.

i. If, upon completion of a hearing on the petition for exclusion
or ejection, the commission determines that [the] placement of
the name of the person on the [exclusionary] exclusion list [was]
is appropriate, the commission shall make and enter an order to
that effect, which order shall be served on all casino licensees.
Such order shall be subject to review by the Superior Court in
accordance with the rules of court.

50 (cf: P.L.1981, c.503, s.6)

1[17.] 2[19.1] 18.2 Section 74 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-74) is amended to read as follows:

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74. Minutes and Records. a. The commission shall cause to be 3 4 made and kept a [verbatim] record of all proceedings held at public meetings of the commission[, which record shall be open to 5 6 public inspection]. A verbatim transcript of those proceedings 7 shall be prepared by the commission upon the request of any 8 commissioner or upon the request of any other person and the payment by that person of the costs of preparation. A copy of a 9 10 transcript shall be made available to any person upon request and 11 payment of the costs of preparing the copy.

12 A true copy of the minutes of every meeting of the commission 13 and of any regulations finally adopted by the commission shall be 14 forthwith delivered, by and under the certification of the 15 executive secretary, to the Governor, the Secretary of the 16 Senate, and the Clerk of the General Assembly.

17 Ь. The commission shall keep and maintain a list of all applicants for licenses and registrations under this act together 18 19 with a record of all actions taken with respect to such applicants, 20 which file and record shall be open to public inspection; provided, 21 however, that the foregoing information regarding any applicant 22 whose license or registration has been denied, revoked, or not 23 renewed shall be removed from such list after five years from the 24 date of such action.

25 c. The commission shall maintain such other files and records26 as may be deemed desirable.

27 d. Except as provided in subsection h. of this section, all 28 information and data required by the commission to be furnished 29 hereunder, or which may otherwise be obtained, relative to the 30 internal controls specified in section 99a. of this act or to the 31 earnings or revenue of any applicant, registrant, or licensee shall 32 be considered to be confidential and shall not be revealed in 33 whole or in part except in the course of the necessary 34 administration of this act, or upon the lawful order of a court of 35 competent jurisdiction, or, with the approval of the Attorney 36 General, to a duly authorized law enforcement agency.

37 e. All information and data pertaining to an applicant's 38 criminal record, family, and background furnished to or obtained 39 the commission from any source shall be considered by confidential and shall be withheld in whole or in part, except that 40 41 any information shall be released upon the lawful order of a court 42 of competent jurisdiction or, with the approval of the Attorney 43 General, to a duly authorized law enforcement agency.

f. Notice of the contents of any information or data released,
except to a duly authorized law enforcement agency pursuant to
subsection d. or e. of this section, shall be given to any applicant,
registrant, or licensee in a manner prescribed by the rules and
regulations adopted by the commission.

g. Files, records, reports and other information in the possession of the New Jersey Division of Taxation pertaining to

licensees shall be made available to the commission and the
 division as may be necessary to the effective administration of
 this act.

h. The following information to be reported periodically to the
commission by a casino licensee shall not be considered
confidential and shall be made available for public inspection:

7 (1) A licensee's gross revenue from all authorized games as
8 herein defined;

9 (2) (a) The dollar amount of patron checks initially accepted 10 by a licensee, (b) the dollar amount of patron checks deposited to 11 the licensee's bank account, (c) the dollar amount of such checks 12 initially dishonored by the bank and returned to the licensee as 13 "uncollected," and (d) the dollar amount ultimately uncollected 14 after all reasonable efforts;

(3) The amount of gross revenue tax or investment alternative
tax actually paid and the amount of investment, if any, required
and allowed, pursuant to section 144 of P.L.1977, c.110
(C.5:12-144) and section 3 of P.L.1984, c.218 (C.5:12-144.1);

(4) A list of the premises and the nature of improvements,
costs thereof and the payees for all such improvements, which
were the subject of an investment required and allowed pursuant
to section 144 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-144) and section 3 of
P.L.1984, c.218 (C.5:12-144.1);

(5) The amount, if any, of tax in lieu of full local real property
tax paid pursuant to section 146, and the amount of profits, if
any, recaptured pursuant to section 147;

(6) A list of the premises, nature of improvements and costs
thereof which constitute the cumulative investments by which a
licensee has recaptured profits pursuant to section 147; and

(7) All quarterly and annual financial statements presenting
historical data which are submitted to the commission, including
all annual financial statements which have been audited by an
independent certified public accountant licensed to practice in
the State of New Jersey.

Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit access by
the public to those forms and documents required to be filed
pursuant to Article 11 of this act.

38 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.5)

39 1 [18.] 2 [20.1] <u>19.</u> Section 76 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-76) is 40 amended to read as follows:

41 76. General Duties and Powers. a. The Division of Gaming 42 Enforcement shall promptly and in reasonable order investigate 43 all applications, enforce the provisions of this act and any 44 regulations promulgated hereunder, and prosecute before the 45 commission all proceedings for violations of this act or any 46 regulations promulgated hereunder. The division shall provide the 47 commission with all information necessary for all action under 48 Article 6 of this act and for all proceedings involving enforcement of the provisions of this act or any regulations 49 50 promulgated hereunder.

b. The division shall:

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(1) Investigate the qualifications of each applicant before any license, certificate, or permit is issued pursuant to the provisions 3 4 of this act;

(2) Investigate the circumstances surrounding any act or 5 transaction for which commission approval is required; 6

Investigate violations of this act and 7 (3) regulations promulgated hereunder; 8

(4) Initiate, prosecute and defend such proceedings before the 9 commission, or appeals therefrom, as the division may deem 10 11 appropriate;

(5) Provide assistance upon request by the commission in the 12 consideration and promulgation of rules and regulations; 13

(6) Conduct continuing reviews of casino operations through 14 on-site observation and other reasonable means to assure 15 compliance with this act and regulations promulgated hereunder, 16 17 subject to section 63g. of this act;

(7) Conduct audits of casino operations at such times, under 18 19 such circumstances, and to such extent as the director shall determine, including reviews of accounting, administrative and 20 21 financial records, and management control systems, procedures and records utilized by a casino licensee; and 22

23 (8) Be entitled to request information, materials and any other 24 data from any licensee or registrant, or applicant for a license or registration under this act. 25

(cf: P.L.1979, c.282, s.16) 26

1[19.] 2[21.1] 20.2 Section 80 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-80) is 27 amended to read as follows: 28

General Provisions. a. It shall be the affirmative 29 80. responsibility of each applicant and licensee to establish by clear 30 and convincing evidence his individual qualifications, and for a 31 casino license the qualifications of each person who is required to 32 33 be qualified under this act as well as the qualifications of the facility in which the casino is to be located. 34

35 b. Any applicant, licensee, registrant, or any other person who must be qualified pursuant to this act shall provide all 36 information required by this act and satisfy all requests for 37 38 information pertaining to qualification and in the form specified by the commission. All applicants, registrants, and licensees 39 shall waive liability as to the State of New Jersey, and its 40 instrumentalities and agents, for any damages resulting from any 41 42 disclosure or publication in any manner, other than a willfully 43 unlawful disclosure or publication, of any material or information 44 acquired during inquiries, investigations or hearings.

45 All applicants, licensees, registrants, intermediary C. companies, and holding companies shall consent to inspections, 46 47 searches and seizures and the supplying of handwriting exemplars as authorized by this act and regulations promulgated hereunder. 48

49 d. All applicants, licensees, registrants, and any other person 50 who shall be qualified pursuant to this act shall have the

continuing duty to provide any assistance or information required 1 by the commission or division, and to cooperate in any inquiry or 2 3 investigation conducted by the division and any inquiry, investigation, or hearing conducted by the commission. If, upon 4 issuance of a formal request to answer or produce information, 5 evidence or testimony, any applicant, licensee, registrant, or any 6 other person who shall be qualified pursuant to this act refuses to 7 comply, the application, license, registration or qualification of 8 9 such person may be denied or revoked by the commission.

e. No applicant or licensee shall give or provide, offer to give
or provide, directly or indirectly, any compensation or reward or
any percentage or share of the money or property played or
received through gaming activities, except as authorized by this
act, in consideration for obtaining any license, authorization,
permission or privilege to participate in any way in gaming
operations.

f. Each applicant or person who must be qualified under this
act shall be photographed and fingerprinted for identification and
investigation purposes in accordance with procedures established
by the commission.

21 All licensees, all registrants, all persons required to be g. 22 qualified under this act, and all persons employed by a casino 23 service industry licensed pursuant to this act, shall have a duty to 24 inform the commission or division of any action which they 25 believe would constitute a violation of this act. No person who so 26 informs the commission or the division shall be discriminated 27 against by an applicant, licensee or registrant because of the 28 supplying of such information.

29 h. Any person who must be qualified pursuant to the "Casino 30 Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.) in order to hold 31 the securities of a casino licensee or any holding or intermediary 32 company of a casino licensee may apply for gualification status prior to the acquisition of any such securities. ¹The commission 33 34 may determine to accept such an application upon a finding that 35 there is a reasonable likelihood that, if qualified, the applicant 36 will obtain and hold securities of a licensee sufficient to require 37 <u>qualification.¹ Such an applicant shall be subject to the</u> provisions of this section ¹ and shall pay for the costs of all 38 39 investigations and proceedings in relation to the application 40 unless the applicant provides to the commission an agreement 41 with one or more casino licensees which states that the licensee 42 or licensees will pay those costs¹.

43 (cf: P.L.1981, c.503, s.9)

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44 $1[20.] 2[22.1] 21.^2$ Section 81 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-81) is 45 amended to read as follows:

81. a. The commission may issue a statement of compliance
to an applicant for any license or for qualification status under
this act at any time the commission is satisfied that one or more
particular eligibility criteria have been satisfied by an applicant.

b. Such statement shall specify the eligibility criterion

satisfied, the date of such satisfaction and a reservation to the 1 commission to revoke the statement of compliance at any time 2 based upon a change of circumstances affecting such compliance. 3

c. A statement of compliance certifying satisfaction of all of 4 the requirements of subsection 84e. of this act with respect to a 5 specific casino hotel proposal submitted by an eligible applicant 6 may be accompanied by a written commitment from the 7 commission that a casino license shall be reserved for a period 8 not to exceed 30 months or within such additional time period as 9 the commission may, upon a showing of good cause therefor, 10 establish and shall be issued to such eligible applicant with 11 12 respect to such proposal provided that such applicant (1) complies 13 in all respects with the provisions of this act, (2) qualifies for a casino license within a period not to exceed 30 months of the 14 15 date of such commitment or within such additional time period as the commission may, upon a showing of good cause therefor, 16 17 establish, and (3) complies with such other conditions as the commission shall impose. The commission may revoke such 18 reservation at any time it finds that the applicant is disqualified 19 from receiving or holding a casino license or has failed to comply 20 with any conditions imposed by the commission. Such reservation 21 22 shall be automatically revoked if the applicant does not qualify 23 for a casino license within the period of such commitment.

(cf: P.L.1978, c.7, s.14) 24

1[21.] 2[23.1] 22.2 Section 82 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-82) is 25 26 amended to read as follows:

27 82. Casino License--Applicant Eligibility. a. No casino shall operate unless all necessary licenses and approvals therefor have 28 29 been obtained in accordance with law.

30 b. Only the following persons shall be eligible to hold a casino license; and, unless otherwise determined by the commission with 31 32 the concurrence of the Attorney General which may not be unreasonably withheld in accordance with subsection c. of this 33 34 section, each of the following persons shall be required to hold a 35 casino license prior to the operation of a casino in the hotel with 36 respect to which the casino license has been applied for:

37 (1) Any person who either owns an approved hotel building or 38 owns or has a contract to purchase or construct a hotel which in 39 the judgment of the commission can become an approved hotel 40 building within 30 months or within such additional time period as 41 the commission may, upon a showing of good cause therefor, establish; 42

43 (2) Any person who, whether as lessor or lessee, either leases 44 an approved hotel building or leases or has an agreement to lease a hotel which in the judgment of the commission can become an 45 46 approved hotel building within 30 months or within such 47 additional time period as the commission may, upon a showing of 48 good cause therefor, establish;

49 (3) Any person who has a written agreement with a casino licensee or with an eligible applicant for a casino license for the 50

1 complete management of a casino; and

2 (4) Any other person who has any control over either an
3 approved hotel building or the land thereunder or the operation of
4 a casino.

5 c. Prior to the operation of the casino, every agreement to lease an approved hotel building or the land thereunder and every 6 agreement for the management of the casino shall be in writing 7 and filed with the commission. No such agreement shall be 8 9 effective unless expressly approved by the commission. The commission may require that any such agreement include within 10 its terms any provision reasonably necessary to best accomplish 11 the policies of this act. Consistent with the policies of this act: 12

(1) The commission, with the concurrence of the Attorney
General which may not be unreasonably withheld, may determine
that any person who does not have the ability to exercise any
significant control over either the approved hotel building or the
operation of the casino contained therein shall not be eligible to
hold or required to hold a casino license;

19 (2) The commission, with the concurrence of the Attorney 20 General which may not be unreasonably withheld, may determine 21 that any owner, lessor or lessee of an approved hotel building or 22 the land thereunder who does not own or lease the entire 23 approved hotel building shall not be eligible to hold or required to 24 hold a casino license;

(3) The commission shall require that any person or persons
eligible to apply for a casino license organize itself or themselves
into such form or forms of business association as the commission
shall deem necessary or desirable in the circumstances to carry
out the policies of this act;

30 (4) The commission may issue separate casino licenses to any
31 persons eligible to apply therefor;

(5) As to agreements to lease an approved hotel building or the 32 33 land thereunder, unless it expressly and by formal vote for good cause determines otherwise, the commission shall require that 34 35 each party thereto hold either a casino license or casino service 36 industry license and that such an agreement be for a durational 37 term exceeding 30 years, concern 100% of the entire approved 38 hotel building or of the land upon which same is located, and 39 include within its terms a buy-out provision conferring upon the 40 casino licensee-lessee who controls the operation of the approved 41 hotel the absolute right to purchase for an expressly set forth fixed sum the entire interest of the lessor or any person 42 associated with the lessor in the approved hotel building or the 43 44 land thereunder in the event that said lessor or said person associated with the lessor is found by the commission to be 45 unsuitable to be associated with a casino enterprise; 46

(6) The commission shall not permit an agreement for the
leasing of an approved hotel building or the land thereunder to
provide for the payment of an interest, percentage or share of
money gambled at the casino or derived from casino gaming

activity or of revenues or profits of the casino unless the party 1 receiving payment of such interest, percentage or share is a party 2 3 to the approved lease agreement; unless each party to the lease agreement holds either a casino license or casino service industry 4 5 license and unless the agreement is for a durational term exceeding 30 years, concerns a significant portion of the entire 6 approved hotel building or of the land upon which same is located, 7 and includes within its terms a buy-out provision conforming to 8 that described in paragraph (5) above; 9

(7) As to agreements for the management of a casino, the 10 commission shall require that each party thereto hold a casino 11 license, that the party thereto who is to manage the casino own 12 at least 10% of all outstanding equity securities of any casino 13 14 licensee or of any eligible applicant for a casino license if the said licensee or applicant is a corporation and the ownership of an 15 equivalent interest in any casino licensee or in any eligible 16 applicant for a casino license if same is not a corporation, and 17 that such an agreement be for the complete management of the 18 casino, provide for the sole and unrestricted power to direct the 19 20 casino operations of the casino which is the subject of the 21 agreement, and be for such a durational term as to assure continuity, stability and independence 22 reasonable in the 23 management of the casino;

(8) The commission may permit an agreement for the
management of a casino to provide for the payment to the
managing party of an interest, percentage or share of money
gambled at the casino or derived from casino gaming activity or
of revenues or profits of the casino; and,

29 (9) As to agreements to lease an approved hotel building or the land thereunder, agreements to jointly own an approved hotel 30 building or the land thereunder and agreements for the 31 management of a casino, the commission shall require that each 32 party thereto shall be jointly and severally liable for all acts, 33 omissions and violations of this act by any party thereto 34 35 regardless of actual knowledge of such act, omission or violation and notwithstanding any provision in such agreement to the 36 37 contrary.

d. No corporation shall be eligible to apply for a casino license
unless:

(1) The corporation shall be incorporated in the State of New
Jersey, although such corporation may be a wholly or partially
owned subsidiary of a corporation which is organized pursuant to
the laws of another state of the United States or of a foreign
country;

45 (2) The corporation shall maintain an office of the corporation
46 in the premises licensed or to be licensed;

47 (3) The corporation shall comply with all the requirements of48 the laws of the State of New Jersey pertaining to corporations;

49 (4) The corporation shall maintain a ledger in the principal50 office of the corporation in New Jersey which shall at all times

reflect the current ownership of every class of security issued by 1 the corporation and shall be available for inspection by the 2 commission or the division and authorized agents of the 3 commission and the division at all reasonable times without 4 5 notice:

(5) The corporation shall maintain all operating accounts 7 required by the commission in a bank in New Jersey;

(6) The corporation shall include among the purposes stated in 8 9 its certificate of incorporation the conduct of casino gaming and provide that the certificate of incorporation includes all 10 11 provisions required by this act;

(7) The corporation, if it is not a publicly traded corporation, 12 shall file with the commission such adopted corporate charter 13 provisions as may be necessary to establish the right of prior 14 15 approval by the commission with regard to transfers of securities, 16 shares, and other interests in the applicant corporation; and, if it 17 is a publicly traded corporation, provide in its corporate charter 18 that any securities of such corporation are held subject to the 19 condition that if a holder thereof is found to be disqualified by 20 the commission pursuant to the provisions of this act, such holder 21 shall dispose of his interest in the corporation; provided, however, that, notwithstanding the provisions of N.J.S.14A:7-12 and 22 23 N.J.S.12A:8-101 et seq., nothing herein shall be deemed to require that any security of such corporation bear any legend to 24 25 this effect;

26 (8) The corporation, if it is not a publicly traded corporation, 27 shall establish to the satisfaction of the commission that 28 appropriate charter provisions create the absolute right of such non-publicly traded corporations and companies to repurchase at 29 30 the market price or the purchase price, whichever is the lesser, 31 any security, share or other interest in the corporation in the 32 event that the commission disapproves a transfer in accordance with the provisions of this act; 33

34 (9) Any publicly traded holding, intermediary, or subsidiary 35 company of the corporation, whether the corporation is publicly 36 traded or not, shall contain in its corporate charter the same 37 provisions required under paragraph (7) for a publicly traded 38 corporation to be eligible to apply for a casino license; and

39 (10) Any nonpublicly traded holding, intermediary or subsidiary 40 company of the corporation, whether the corporation is publicly 41 traded or not, shall establish to the satisfaction of the 42 commission that its charter provisions are the same as those 43 required under [paragraph] paragraphs (7) and (8) for a nonpublicly 44 traded corporation to be eligible to apply for a casino license.

45 Notwithstanding the foregoing, any corporation or company 46 which had bylaw provisions approved by the commission prior to 47 the effective date of this 1987 amendatory act shall have one year from the effective date of this 1987 amendatory act to 48 49 adopt appropriate charter provisions in accordance with the 50 requirements of this subsection.

The provisions of this subsection shall apply with the same force and effect with regard to casino license applicants and 2 3 casino licensees which have a legal existence that is other than corporate to the extent which is appropriate. 4

5 e. No person shall be issued or be the holder of more than 6 three casino licenses. For the purpose of this subsection a person 7 shall be considered the holder of a casino license if such license is issued to such person or if such license is held by any holding, 8 intermediary or subsidiary company thereof, or by any officer, 9 10 director, casino key employee or principal employee of such person, or of any holding, intermediary or subsidiary company 11 12 thereof.

13 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.6)

 1 [22.] 2 [24.1] 23.2 Section 83 of P.L. 1977, c.110 (C.5:12-83) is 14 amended to read as follows: 15

16 83. Approved Hotel. a. An approved hotel for purposes of this 17 act shall be a hotel providing facilities in accordance with this 18 section. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the commission to determine the suitability of 19 facilities as provided in this act, and nothing in this section shall 20 be construed to require a casino to be ¹[larger than the minimum 21 22 size or]¹ smaller than the maximum size herein provided.

[An approved hotel shall, in accordance with the following 23 24 table:

25 a. Contain qualifying sleeping units as defined in section 27 of 26 this act;

27 b. Contain qualifying indoor public space available and of the 28 sort regularly used for conventions, exhibits, meetings, banquets 29 and similar functions, and for dining, entertainment, and sports facilities, including restaurants, bars, lounges, show theaters, 30 31 shops, dance halls, swimming facilities, and tennis facilities but 32 excluding lobbies, casinos, and parking areas; and

33 c. Contain a single casino room as defined in section 6 of this act, in accordance with the minimum number of qualifying 34 35 sleeping units and minimum amount of qualifying indoor public space as provided in the following chart, but, except as 36 37 hereinafter provided, in no event may a casino room be permitted 38 to exceed the maximum square footage stated:

39	Minimum Number	Minimum Square Footage	Maximum Square
40	of Qualifying	of Qualifying Indoor	Footage of
41	Sleeping Units	Public Space	Casino Room
42		Sq. Ft.	Sq. Ft.
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44	500	65,000	30,000
45	750	80,000	40,000
46	1,000	95,000	50,000
47	1,250	110,000	60,000
48	1,500	125,000	70,000
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b. (1) In the case of a casino hotel in operation on the 1 2 effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., 3 c. _, an approved hotel shall: (a) contain at least the number of qualifying sleeping units, as 4 defined in section 27 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), which it has 5 on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, 6 7 except that those units may be consolidated and reconfigured in 8 order to form suites so long as there remain at least 500 9 qualifying sleeping units; and (b) contain a casino of not more than the amount of casino 10 space authorized on the basis of the provisions of this section 11 which were in effect on the day before the effective date of this 12 amendatory and supplementary act and applicable to that casino 13 at that time, ¹[except that the casino space may be increased if 14 15 additional qualifying sleeping units are added as provided hereafter in this paragraph] unless the number of qualifying 16 sleeping units under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph and the 17 number of any qualifying sleeping units added after the effective 18 date of this amendatory and supplementary act permit an 19 increase on the following basis: 50,000 square feet for the first 20 21 500 qualifying sleeping units and 10,000 square feet for each 22 additional 100 qualifying sleeping units above 500, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet. No casino hotel in operation on 23 24 the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act shall be required to reduce the amount of its casino space below 25 the amount authorized as of the day before the effective date of 26 27 this amendatory and supplementary act unless the number of qualifying sleeping units is reduced below the number required in 28 29 subparagraph (a) of this paragraph or, during the two years after that effective date, the amount of qualifying indoor public 30 31 space³, including space serving as kitchen support facilities,³ is reduced in violation of section 3[25] 243 of this 3 amendatory and 32 <u>supplementary³ act¹.</u> 33 ¹[The casino space in such an approved hotel may be increased 34 following the effective date of this amendatory 35 and 36 supplementary act on the basis of the following formula: 37 38 (number of hotel rooms (amount of casino space 39 added) that may be added) 40 (1,000 – number of hotel 41 (120,000 - amount of rooms on that effective 42 casino space on that 43 date) effective date)]¹ 44 For the purpose of increasing casino space, an agreement approved by the commission for the addition of qualifying 45 sleeping units within two years after ¹[approval of the 46 agreement] the commencement of gaming operations in the 47 additional casino space¹ shall be deemed an addition of those 48 49 rooms, but if the agreement is not fulfilled due to conditions 50 within the control of the casino licensee, the casino licensee shall

close the additional casino space or any portion thereof as 1 2 directed by the commission. The calculation of the number of qualifying sleeping units 3 4 added with respect to any such casino hotel shall not include any qualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room in existence 5 6 in Atlantic City on the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or room is offered 7 8 or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or any 9 replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date. 10 (2) In the case of a hotel in operation on the effective date of 11 this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., c., in which a 12 13 licensed casino was located and operated prior to, but not as of, 14 that effective date, and in which a casino is reestablished after 15 that effective date, an approved hotel shall: 16 (a) contain at least the number of qualifying sleeping units, as defined in section 27 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), which it had 17 on the date the casino ceased operations prior to the effective 18 date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, except that 19 20 those units may be consolidated and reconfigured in order to form suites so long as there remain at least 500 qualifying sleeping 21 22 units; and (b) contain a casino of not more than the amount of casino 23 24 space the casino had on the date it ceased operations prior to ¹[that] <u>the¹ effective date</u> ¹of this amendatory and 25 supplementary act¹, ¹[except that the casino space may be 26 27 increased if additional qualifying sleeping units are added as 28 provided hereafter in this paragraph] unless the number of 29 qualifying sleeping units under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph 30 and the number of any qualifying sleeping units added after the 31 effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act permit 32 an increase on the following basis: 50,000 square feet for the 33 first 500 qualifying sleeping units and 10,000 square feet for each 34 additional 100 qualifying sleeping units above 500, up to a 35 maximum of 200,000 square feet. No casino hotel which operates 36 pursuant to this paragraph shall be required to reduce the amount 37 of its casino space below the amount it had on the date it ceased 38 operations unless the number of qualifying sleeping units is 39 reduced below the number required in subparagraph (a) of this 40 paragraph or, during the two years after the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, the amount of qualifying 41 indoor public space³, including space serving as kitchen support 42 <u>facilities,³ is reduced in violation of section 3[25] 24³ of this</u> 43 ³<u>amendatory and supplementary</u>³ <u>act</u>¹. 44 45 ¹[<u>The casino space in such an approved hotel may be increased</u> 46 following the effective date of this amendatory and 47 supplementary act on the basis of the following formula: 48 49 (number of hotel rooms (amount of casino space 50 added) that may be added)

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1 2 (1,000 - number of hotel (120,000 - amount of3 rooms on date casino ceased casino space on date 4 operations) casino ceased opera-5 tions)]¹ For the purpose of increasing casino space, an agreement 6 approved by the commission for the addition of qualifying 7 sleeping units within two years after ¹[approval of the 8 agreement] the commencement of gaming operations in the 9 additional casino space¹ shall be deemed an addition of those 10 rooms, but if the agreement is not fulfilled due to conditions 11 12 within the control of the casino licensee, the casino licensee shall close the additional casino space or any portion thereof as 13 14 directed by the commission. 15 The calculation of the number of qualifying sleeping units 16 added with respect to any such hotel shall not include any qualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room in existence 17 in Atlantic City on the effective date of this ¹amendatory and 18 supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or room is offered 19 or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or any 20 21 replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date. 22 23 c. In the case of a casino hotel not in operation prior to or on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, 24 ¹P.L., c., ¹ an approved hotel shall contain at least ¹[1,000] 25 500¹ qualifying sleeping units, as defined in section 27 of the 26 "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), and a single 27 casino room of not more than ¹[120,000] 50,000¹ square feet ¹, 28 29 except that for each additional 100 qualifying sleeping units 30 above 500, the maximum size of the casino room may be 31 increased by 10,000 square feet, up to a maximum of 200,000 32 square feet¹. The calculation of the number of qualifying 33 sleeping units with respect to any such casino hotel shall not 34 include any qualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room 35 in existence in Atlantic City on the effective date of this 36 ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or 37 room is offered or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or 38 any replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date. 39 40 d. Once a hotel is initially approved, the commission shall 41 thereafter rely on the certification of the casino licensee with 42 regard to the number of rooms and, when applicable, the amount 43 of qualifying indoor public space and shall permit rehabilitation, renovation and alteration of any part of the approved hotel even 44 if the rehabilitation, renovation, or alteration will mean that the 45 46 casino licensee does not temporarily meet the requirements of subsection c. so long as the licensee certifies that the 47 48 rehabilitation, renovation, or alteration shall be completed within 49 one year. e. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1987, c.352.) 50

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1 f. [If an approved hotel shall provide more than the minimum 2 number of qualifying sleeping units as hereinbefore defined than 3 is required by subsection c. hereof, the maximum casino space 4 may be permitted to increase by 40 square feet for each such 5 excess sleeping unit.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L. , c. .)

6 g. [If a licensed facility shall provide more qualifying indoor 7 public space as hereinbefore defined than is required by 8 subsection c. hereof, the maximum allowable casino space may be 9 permitted to increase by a figure representing one-half of the 10 amount of such excess qualifying indoor public space, including 11 space serving as kitchen support facilities.] (Deleted by 12 amendment, P.L. __, c. _.)

h. [In no event may the total of the increased allowable casino
space be permitted to exceed a figure representing the original
maximum casino size.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L. , c. .)

The commission shall not impose any criteria 16 i. or requirements regarding the contents of the hotel, including 17 [qualifying] indoor public space, in addition to the criteria and 18 requirements expressly specified in the "Casino Control Act," 19 20 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.); provided, however, that the 21 commission shall be authorized to require each casino licensee to 22 establish and maintain an approved hotel which is in all respects a superior, first-class facility of exceptional quality which will help 23 24 restore Atlantic City as a resort, tourist and convention 25 destination.

26 (cf: P.L.1987, c.352, s.1)

27 1[23.] 2[25.1] 24.2 (New section) Notwithstanding the 28 provisions of section 83 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-83) to the 29 contrary, for a period of two years after the effective date of 30 this amendatory and supplementary act:

31 a. a casino hotel in operation on the effective date of this 32 amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. , C. , shall, in 33 addition to the number of qualifying sleeping units required by 34 that section, contain sufficient qualifying indoor public space³, including space serving as kitchen support facilities,³ to provide 35 the basis, in conjunction with the number of qualifying sleeping 36 37 units, for the size of the casino in operation on that effective 38 date, as determined by the provisions of section 83 which were in 39 effect on the day before the effective date of this amendatory 40 and supplementary act; and

a hotel in operation on the effective date of this 41 b. 42 amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. , c. , in which a 43 casino was located and operated prior to, but not as of, that effective date, and in which a casino is reestablished after that 44 effective date, shall contain sufficient qualifying indoor ³public³ 45 space³, including space serving as kitchen support facilities,³ to 46 provide the basis, in conjunction with the number of qualifying 47 sleeping units, for the size of the casino in operation on the date 48 49 that it ceased operations prior to the effective date of this act, as determined by the provisions of section 83 which were 50

1 applicable at that time.

2 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.7)

3 $1[24.] 2[\underline{26.1}] \underline{25.2}$ Section 84 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-84) is 4 amended to read as follows:

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84. Casino License--Applicant Requirements. Any applicant for a casino license must produce information, documentation and assurances concerning the following qualification criteria:

8 Each applicant shall produce such information, a. 9 documentation and assurances concerning financial background and resources as may be required to establish by clear and 10 11 convincing evidence the financial stability, integrity and 12 responsibility of the applicant, including but not limited to bank references, business and personal income and disbursement 13 14 schedules, tax returns and other reports filed with governmental agencies, and business and personal accounting and check records 15 16 and ledgers. In addition, each applicant shall, in writing, authorize the examination of all bank accounts and records as 17 18 may be deemed necessary by the commission or the division.

b. Each applicant shall produce such information, 19 documentation and assurances as may be necessary to establish 20 21 by clear and convincing evidence the integrity of all financial 22 backers, investors, mortgagees, bond holders, and holders of 23 indentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, either in 24 effect or proposed, which bears any relation to the casino proposal submitted by the applicant or applicants; provided, 25 26 however, that this section shall not apply to banking or other 27 licensed lending institutions exempted from the qualification 28 requirements of subsections c. and d. of section 85 of P.L.1977, 29 c.110 (C.5:12-85) and institutional investors waived from the 30 gualification requirements of those subsections pursuant to the 31 provisions of subsection f. of section 85 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-85). Any such banking or licensed lending institution or 32 institutional investor shall, however, produce for the commission 33 ¹or the division¹ upon ¹[its]¹ request any document or 34 information which bears any relation to the casino proposal 35 submitted by the applicant or applicants. The integrity of 36 37 financial sources shall be judged upon the same standards as the applicant. In addition, the applicant shall produce whatever 38 39 information, documentation or assurances as may be required to 40 establish by clear and convincing evidence the adequacy of 41 financial resources both as to the completion of the casino 42 proposal and the operation of the casino.

43 Each applicant shall produce such С. information, documentation and assurances as may be required to establish by 44 clear and convincing evidence the applicant's good character, 45 honesty and integrity. Such information shall include, without 46 limitation, information pertaining to family, habits, character, 47 reputation, criminal and arrest record, business activities, 48 49 financial affairs, and business, professional and personal associates, covering at least the 10-year period immediately 50

preceding the filing of the application. Each applicant shall 1 2 notify the commission of any civil judgments obtained against any 3 such applicant pertaining to antitrust or security regulation laws of the federal government, of this State or of any other state, 4 jurisdiction, province or country. In addition, each applicant shall 5 produce letters of reference from law enforcement agencies 6 7 having jurisdiction in the applicant's place of residence and principal place of business, which letters of reference shall 8 9 indicate that such law enforcement agencies do not have any pertinent information concerning the applicant, or if such law 10 11 enforcement agency does have information pertaining to the 12 applicant, shall specify what the information is. If the applicant has conducted gaming operations in a jurisdiction which permits 13 14 such activity, the applicant shall produce letters of reference 15 from the gaming or casino enforcement or control agency which 16 shall specify the experiences of such agency with the applicant, 17 his associates, and his gaming operation; provided, however, that 18 if no such letters are received within 60 days of request therefor, 19 the applicant may submit a statement under oath that he is or 20 was during the period such activities were conducted in good standing with such gaming or casino enforcement or control 21 22 agency.

23 d. Each applicant shall produce such information, documentation and assurances as may be required to establish by 24 25 clear and convincing evidence that the applicant has sufficient business ability and casino experience as to establish the 26 27 likelihood of creation and maintenance of a successful, efficient casino operation. The applicant shall produce the names of all 28 proposed casino key employees as they become known and a 29 30 description of their respective or proposed responsibilities, and a full description of security systems and management controls 31 32 proposed for the casino and related facilities.

33 Each applicant shall produce such information, e. 34 documentation and assurances to establish to the satisfaction of the commission the suitability of the casino and related facilities 35 36 subject to subsection i. of section 83 of P.L.1977, c.110 37 (C.5:12-83) and its proposed location will not adversely affect 38 casino operations or overall environmental conditions. Each 39 applicant shall submit an impact statement which shall include, 40 without limitation, architectural and site plans which establish 41 that the proposed facilities comply in all respects with the 42 requirements of this act, the requirements of the master plan and 43 zoning and planning ordinances of Atlantic City, without any use 44 variance from the provisions thereof, and the requirements of the "Coastal Area Facility Review Act," P.L.1973, c.185 (C.13:19-1 45 46 et seq.), a market impact study which analyzes the adequacy of 47 the patron market and the effect of the proposal on such market 48 and on the existing casino facilities licensed under this act; and an analysis of the effect of the proposal on the overall 49 50 environment, including, without limitation, economic, social,

demographic and competitive conditions as well as the natural 1 resources of Atlantic City and the State of New Jersey. 2

(cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.7) 3

1[25.] 2[27.1] 26.2 Section 85 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-85) is 4 amended to read as follows: 5

6 85. Additional Requirements. a. In addition to other 7 information required by this act, a corporation applying for a 8 casino license shall provide the following information:

9 (1) The organization, financial structure and nature of all 10 businesses operated by the corporation; the names and personal employment and criminal histories of all officers, directors and 11 principal employees of the corporation; the names of all holding, 12 13 intermediary and subsidiary companies of the corporation; and 14 the organization, financial structure and nature of all businesses operated by such of its holding, intermediary and subsidiary 15 companies as the commission may require, including names and 16 personal employment and criminal histories of such officers, 17 directors and principal employees of such corporations and 18 19 companies as the commission may require;

20 The rights and privileges acquired by the holders of (2) different classes of authorized securities of such corporations and 21 22 companies as the commission may require, including the names, addresses and amounts held by all holders of such securities; 23

24 (3) The terms upon which securities have been or are to be 25 offered;

26 (4) The terms and conditions of all outstanding loans, 27 mortgages, trust deeds, pledges or any other indebtedness or security devices utilized by the corporation; 28

29 (5) The extent of the equity security holding in the corporation of all officers, directors and underwriters, and their remuneration 30 31 in the form of salary, wages, fees or otherwise;

32 (6) Names of persons other than directors and officers who 33 occupy positions specified by the commission or whose 34 compensation exceeds an amount determined by the commission, 35 and the amount of their compensation;

(7) A description of all bonus and profit-sharing arrangements;

(8) Copies of all management and service contracts; and

(9) A listing of stock options existing or to be created.

39 b. If a corporation applying for a casino license is, or if a 40 corporation holding a casino license is to become, a subsidiary, 41 each holding company and each intermediary company with 42 respect thereto must, as a condition of the said subsidiary 43 acquiring or retaining such license, as the case may be:

(1) Qualify to do business in the State of New Jersey; and

45 (2) If it is a corporation, register with the commission and 46 furnish the commission with all the information required of a corporate licensee as specified in subsection a. (1), (2) and (3) of 47 48 this section and such other information as the commission may 49 require; or

50 (3) If it is not a corporation, register with the commission and furnish the commission with such information as the commission 51

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may prescribe. [The commission may, in its discretion, make the officers, such investigations concerning directors. underwriters, security holders, partners, principals, trustees or persons owning or beneficially holding any interest in any holding company or intermediary company as it deems necessary, either at the time of initial registration or at any time thereafter.]

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c. No corporation shall be eligible to hold a casino license 7 8 unless each officer; each director; each person who directly or 9 indirectly holds any beneficial interest or ownership of the securities issued by the corporation; any person who in the 10 opinion of the commission has the ability to control the 11 corporation or elect a majority of the board of directors of that 12 corporation, other than a banking or other licensed lending 13 14 institution which <u>makes a loan or</u> holds a mortgage or other lien 15 acquired in the ordinary course of business; each principal 16 employee; and any lender, underwriter, agent, employee of the 17 corporation, or other person whom the commission may consider appropriate for approval or qualification would, but for residence, 18 individually be qualified for approval as a casino key employee 19 pursuant to the provisions of this act. 20

21 d. No corporation which is a subsidiary shall be eligible to receive or hold a casino license unless each holding and 22 23 intermediary company with respect thereto:

24 (1) If it is a corporation, shall comply with the provisions of 25 subsection c. of this section as if said holding or intermediary company were itself applying for a casino license; provided, 26 27 however, that the commission with the concurrence of the director may waive compliance with the provisions of subsection 28 c. hereof on the part of a publicly-traded corporation which is a 29 holding company as to any officer, director, lender, underwriter, 30 agent or employee thereof, or person directly or indirectly 31 holding a beneficial interest or ownership of the securities of 32 33 such corporation, where the commission and the director are 34 satisfied that such officer, director, lender, underwriter, agent or 35 employee is not significantly involved in the activities of the corporate licensee, and in the case of security holders, does not 36 have the ability to control the publicly-traded corporation or 37 38 elect one or more directors thereof; or

39 (2) If it is not a corporation, shall comply with the provisions 40 of subsection e. of this section as if said company were itself applying for a casino license. 41

42 e. Any noncorporate applicant for a casino license shall 43 provide the information required in subsection a. of this section 44 in such form as may be required by the commission. No such 45 applicant shall be eligible to hold a casino license unless each 46 person who directly or indirectly holds any beneficial interest or ownership in the applicant, or who in the opinion of the 47 48 commission has the ability to control the applicant, or whom the 49 commission may consider appropriate for approval or 50 qualification, would, but for residence, individually be qualified 51 for approval as a casino key employee pursuant to the provisions

of this act. 1 2 f. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections c. and d. of this section, ¹and in the absence of a prima facie showing by the 3 director that there is any cause to believe that the institutional 4 investor may be found unqualified,¹ an institutional investor 5 holding either (1) under 10% of the equity securities of a casino 6 licensee's holding or intermediary companies, or (2) debt 7 securities of a casino licensee's holding or intermediary 8 9 companies 1, or another subsidiary company of a casino 10 licensee's holding or intermediary companies which is related in any way to the financing of the casino licensee,¹ where the 11 securities represent a percentage of ³[¹any issue of¹ the 12 company's debt] the outstanding debt of the company³ not 13 exceeding 20%³, or a percentage of any issue of the outstanding 14 debt of the company not exceeding 50%,³ shall be granted a 15 waiver of qualification if 1 such securities are 3 those of a^3 16 publicly traded ³corporation³ and¹ its holdings of such securities 17 were purchased for investment purposes only and upon request by 18 the commission it files with the commission a certified statement 19 20 to the effect that it has no intention of influencing or affecting 21 the affairs of the issuer, the casino licensee or its holding or intermediary companies; provided, however, that it shall be 22 permitted to vote on matters put to the vote of the outstanding 23 security holders. The commission may grant a waiver of 24 25 qualification to an institutional investor holding a higher percentage of such securities upon a showing of good cause and if 26 the conditions specified above are met. ¹Any institutional 27 investor granted a waiver under this subsection which 28 subsequently determines to influence or affect the affairs of the 29 issuer shall provide not less than 30 days' notice of such intent 30 and shall file with the commission an application for qualification 31 before taking any action that may influence or affect the affairs 32 33 of the issuer; provided, however, that it shall be permitted to 34 vote on matters put to the vote of the outstanding security 35 holders.¹ If an institutional investor changes its investment intent, or if the commission finds reasonable cause to believe 36 37 that the institutional investor may be found unqualified, no action other than divestiture shall be taken by such investor with 38 39 respect to its security holdings until there has been compliance with the provisions of P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.12 et seq.), 40 41 including the execution of a trust agreement. ³The casino 42 licensee and its relevant holding, intermediary or subsidiary 43 company shall immediately notify the commission and the 44 division of any information about, or actions of, an institutional investor holding its equity or debt securities where such 45 46 information or action may impact upon the eligibility of such institutional investor for a waiver pursuant to this subsection.³ 47 48 g. If at any time the commission finds that an institutional investor holding any security ¹[of a casino licensee or]¹ of a 49 50 holding or intermediary company ¹[with respect thereto] of a casino licensee, or, where relevant, of another subsidiary 51

1 company of a holding or intermediary company of a casino licensee which is related in any way to the financing of the casino 2 licensee,¹ fails to comply with the terms of subsection f. of this 3 section, or if at any time the commission finds that, by reason of 4 the extent or nature of its holdings, an institutional investor is in 5 6 a position to exercise such a substantial impact upon the controlling interests of a licensee that qualification of the 7 8 institutional investor is necessary to protect the public interest, the commission may, in accordance with the provisions of 9 ¹subsections a. through e. of this section or ¹ subsections d. and e. 10 of section 105 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-105), take any 11 necessary action to protect the public interest, including 12 13 requiring such an institutional investor to be qualified pursuant to the provisions of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 14 15 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). 16 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.9) 1[26.] 2[28.1] 27.2 Section 86 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-86) is 17 amended to read as follows: 18 86. Casino License--Disgualification 19 Criteria. The 20 commission shall deny a casino license to any applicant who is disqualified on the basis of any of the following criteria: 21 22 a. Failure of the applicant to prove by clear and convincing evidence that the applicant is qualified in accordance with the 23 provisions of this act; 24 Failure of 25 b. the applicant to provide information, 26 documentation and assurances required by the act or requested by 27 the commission, or failure of the applicant to reveal any fact 28 material to qualification, or the supplying of information which is 29 untrue or misleading as to a material fact pertaining to the 30 qualification criteria; 31 c. The conviction of the applicant, or of any person required to be qualified under this act as a condition of a casino license, of 32 33 any offense in any jurisdiction which would be: (1) Any of the following offenses under the "New Jersey Code 34 of Criminal Justice," P.L.1978, c.95 (Title 2C of the New Jersey 35 Statutes) as amended and supplemented: 36 37 all crimes of the first degree; 38 N.J.S.2C:5-1 (attempt to commit an offense which is listed in 39 this subsection); 40 N.J.S.2C:5-2 (conspiracy to commit an offense which is listed 41 in this subsection); 42 N, J.S.2C:11-4b. (manslaughter); 43 N.J.S.2C:12-1b. (aggravated assault which constitutes a crime 44 of the second or third degree); 45 N.J.S.2C:13-1 (kidnapping); 46 N.J.S.2C:14-1 et seq. (sexual offenses which constitute crimes 47 of the second or third degree); 48 N.J.S.2C:15-1 (robberies); N.J.S.2C:17-1a. and b. (crimes involving arson and related 49 50 offenses); N.J.S.2C:17-2a. and b. (causing or risking widespread injury or

1 damage); 2 N.J.S.2C:18-2 (burglary which constitutes a crime of the 3 second degree); N.J.S.2C:20-1 et seq. (theft and related offenses which 4 5 constitute crimes of the second or third degree); 6 N.J.S.2C:21-1 et seq. (forgery and fraudulent practices which constitute crimes of the second or third degree); 7 8 [N.J.S.2C:21-4a. (falsifying or tampering with records); N.J.S.2C:21-14 (receiving deposits in a failing financial 9 10 institution);] N.J.S.2C:27-1 et seq. (bribery and corrupt influence); 11 12 N.J.S.2C:28-1 et seq. (perjury and other falsification in official 13 matters which constitute crimes of the second, third or fourth 14 degree); 15 N.J.S.2C:30-2 and N.J.S.2C:30-3 (misconduct in office and abuse in office which constitutes a crime of the second degree); 16 N.J.S.2C:35-5 (manufacturing, distributing or dispensing a 17 controlled dangerous substance or a controlled dangerous 18 substance analog which constitutes a crime of the second or third 19 20 degree); 21 N.J.S.2C:35-6 (employing a juvenile in a drug distribution 22 scheme); 23 N.J.S.2C:35-7 (distributing, dispensing or possessing a 24 controlled dangerous substance or a controlled substance analog 25 on or within 1,000 feet of school property or bus); 26 N.J.S.2C:35-11 (distribution, possession or manufacture of 27 imitation controlled dangerous substances); N.J.S.2C:35-13 (acquisition of controlled dangerous substances 28 29 by fraud); N.J.S.2C:37-1 et seq. (gambling offenses which constitute 30 31 crimes of third or fourth degree); 32 N.J.S.2C:37-7 (possession of a gambling device); or 33 (2) Any other offense under present New Jersey or federal law which indicates that licensure of the applicant would be inimical 34 35 to the policy of this act and to casino operations; provided, 36 however, that the automatic disqualification provisions of this 37 subsection shall not apply with regard to any conviction which did not occur within the 10-year period immediately preceding 38 application for licensure and which the applicant demonstrates by 39 40 clear and convincing evidence does not justify automatic 41 disqualification pursuant to this subsection and any conviction 42 which has been the subject of a judicial order of expungement or 43 sealing: 44 d. Current prosecution or pending charges in any jurisdiction of the applicant or of any person who is required to be qualified 45 under this act as a condition of a casino license, for any of the 46 47 offenses enumerated in subsection c. of this section; provided, however, that at the request of the applicant or the person 48 charged, the commission shall defer decision upon such 49 50 application during the pendency of such charge;

e. The pursuit by the applicant or any person who is required 1 2 to be qualified under this act as a condition of a casino license of 3 economic gain in an occupational manner or context which is in 4 violation of the criminal or civil public policies of this State, if 5 such pursuit creates a reasonable belief that the participation of such person in casino operations would be inimical to the policies 6 7 of this act or to legalized gaming in this State. For purposes of this section, occupational manner or context shall be defined as 8 9 systematic planning, administration, management, execution of an activity for financial gain; 10

f. The identification of the applicant or any person who is 11 required to be qualified under this act as a condition of a casino 12 license as a career offender or a member of a career offender 13 cartel or an associate of a career offender or career offender 14 15 cartel in such a manner which creates a reasonable belief that 16 the association is of such a nature as to be inimical to the policy of this act and to gaming operations. For purposes of this 17 section, career offender shall be defined as any person whose 18 19 behavior is pursued in an occupational manner or context for the 20 purpose of economic gain, utilizing such methods as are deemed 21 criminal violations of the public policy of this State. A career 22 offender cartel shall be defined as any group of persons who 23 operate together as career offenders;

24 The commission by the applicant or any person who is g. required to be qualified under this act as a condition of a casino 25 26 license of any act or acts which would constitute any offense 27 under subsection c. of this section, even if such conduct has not 28 been or may not be prosecuted under the criminal laws of this 29 State or any other jurisdiction or has been prosecuted under the 30 criminal laws of this State or any other jurisdiction and such 31 prosecution has been terminated in a manner other than with a 32 conviction; and

h. Contumacious defiance by the applicant or any person who is required to be qualified under this act of any legislative investigatory body or other official investigatory body of any state or of the United States when such body is engaged in the investigation of crimes relating to gaming, official corruption, or organized crime activity.

39 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.10)

40 2[129.] 28.2 Section 88 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-88) is 41 amended to read as follows:

42 88. Renewal of Casino Licenses a. Subject to the power of the 43 commission to deny, revoke, or suspend licenses, any casino 44 license in force shall be renewed by the commission for the next 45 succeeding license period upon proper application for renewal and payment of license fees and taxes as required by law and the 46 regulations of the commission. The license period for a renewed 47 casino license shall be ${}^{3}up$ to³ one year for ${}^{3}each$ of³ the first 48 two renewal periods succeeding the initial issuance of a casino 49 50 license pursuant to section 87 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-87). Thereafter, a casino license ³[shall] may³ be renewed for a period 51

of up to two years, but the commission may reopen licensing 1 2 hearings at any time. In addition, the commission shall reopen 3 licensing hearings at any time at the request of the Division of Gaming Enforcement in the Department of Law and Public 4 5 Safety. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the commission may, for 6 the purpose of facilitating its administration of this act, renew 7 the casino license of the holders of licenses initially opening after 8 January 1, 1981 for a period of one year; provided, however, the renewal period for those particular casino licenses may not be 9 adjusted more than once pursuant to this provision. 10 The commission shall act upon any such application prior to the date 11 of expiration of the current license. 12

b. Application for renewal shall be filed with the commission
no later than 90 days prior to the expiration of the current
license, and all license fees and taxes as required by law shall be
paid to the commission on or before the date of expiration of the
current license.

c. Upon renewal of any license the commission shall issue an
appropriate renewal certificate or validating device or sticker
which shall be attached to each casino license.¹

21 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.11)

22 1[27.] 2[30.1] 29.2 Section 90 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-90) is 23 amended to read as follows:

90. Licensing of Casino Employees. a. No person may
commence employment as a casino employee unless he is the
holder of a valid casino employee license.

b. Any applicant for a casino employee license must, prior to 27 28 the issuance of any such license, produce sufficient information, 29 documentation and assurances to meet the qualification criteria, 30 including New Jersey residency, contained in subsection b. of section 89 of this act and any additional residency requirement 31 32 imposed under subsection c. of this section; except that the standards for business ability and casino experience may be 33 34 satisfied by a showing of casino job experience and knowledge of 35 the provisions of this act and regulations pertaining to the 36 particular position involved, or by successful completion of a 37 course of study at a licensed school in an approved curriculum.

38 The commission may, by regulation, require that all C. applicants for casino employee licenses be residents of this State 39 40 for a period not to exceed six months immediately prior to the 41 issuance of such license, but application may be made prior to the 42 expiration of the required period of residency. The commission 43 shall, by resolution, waive the required residency period for an 44 applicant upon a showing that the residency period would cause 45 undue hardship upon the casino licensee which intends to employ 46 said applicant, or upon a showing of other good cause.

d. The commission shall endorse upon any license issued
hereunder the particular positions as defined by regulation which
the licensee is qualified to hold.

50 e. The commission shall deny a casino employee license to any 51 applicant who is disqualified on the basis of the criteria contained 1 in section 86 of this act.

f. For the purposes of this section, casino security employees 2 shall be considered casino employees and must, in addition to any 3 requirements under other laws, be licensed in accordance with 4 5 the provisions of this act.

6 g. A temporary license may be issued by the commission to casino employees for positions not directly related to gaming 7 8 activity if, in its judgment, the issuance of a plenary license will be restricted by necessary investigations and said temporary 9 10 licensing of the applicant is necessary for the operation of the 11 casino. In addition, a temporary license may be issued by the 12 commission to a casino employee for the position of slot 13 changeperson if the division has not responded to the application for licensure within 1[30] 15¹ days of the filing of the application 14 and if the employee's position involves working with an 15 impressment of ¹[\$1,000] \$3,000¹ or less and no access to any 16 17 other funds. Unless otherwise terminated pursuant to this act, a temporary license issued pursuant to this subsection shall expire 18 six months from the date of its issuance and be renewable, at the 19 20 discretion of the commission, for one additional six month period. 21 Positions "directly related to gaming activity" shall include, but not be limited to, boxmen, floormen, dealers or croupiers, cage 22 23 personnel, count room personnel, slot and slot booth personnel, credit and collection personnel, casino surveillance personnel, and 24 25 casino security employees whose employment duties require or authorize access to the casino. 26

27 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection e. of this **h**. section, no applicant shall be denied a casino employee license on 28 29 the basis of a conviction of any of the offenses enumerated in 30 this act as disqualification criteria or the commission of any act 31 or acts which would constitute any offense under subsection c. of section 86 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-86), as specified in 32 33 subsection g. of that section; provided that the applicant has affirmatively demonstrated his rehabilitation. In determining 34 35 whether the applicant has affirmatively demonstrated his 36 rehabilitation the commission shall consider the following factors: 37

(1) The nature and duties of the position applied for;

(2) The nature and seriousness of the offense or conduct;

39 (3) The circumstances under which the offense or conduct 40 occurred;

(4) The date of the offense or conduct;

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42 (5) The age of the applicant when the offense or conduct was 43 committed;

44 (6) Whether the offense or conduct was an isolated or repeated 45 incident;

46 (7) Any social conditions which may have contributed to the 47 offense or conduct;

48 (8) Any evidence of rehabilitation, including good conduct in 49 prison or in the community, counseling or psychiatric treatment 50 received, acquisition of additional academic or vocational 51 schooling, successful participation in correctional work-release

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1 programs, or the recommendation of persons who have or have 2 had the applicant under their supervision.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.13) 3

¹[28.] ²[31.¹] 30.² Section 91 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-91) is 4 amended to read as follows: 5

6 91. Registration of Casino Hotel and Casino Hotel Security 7 Employees. a. No person may commence employment as a 8 casino hotel employee or a casino hotel security employee unless he has been registered with the commission, which registration 9 10 shall be in accordance with subsection f. of this section.

b. Any applicant for casino hotel employee or casino hotel 11 security employee registration shall produce such information as 12 13 the commission may require. Subsequent to the registration of a 14 casino hotel employee or a casino hotel security employee, the 15 commission may revoke, suspend, limit, or otherwise restrict the 16 registration upon a finding that the registrant is disqualified on the basis of the criteria contained in section 86 of P.L.1977, 17 c.110 (C.5:12-86). 18

The commission may, by regulation, require that all 19 . **C**. 20 applicants for casino hotel employee or casino hotel security employee registration be residents of this State for a period not 21 22 to exceed three months immediately prior to such registration, but application may be made prior to the expiration of the 23 24 required period of residency. The commission shall waive the 25 required residency period for an applicant upon a showing that the residency period would cause undue hardship upon the casino 26 licensee which intends to employ said applicant, or upon a 27 28 showing of other good cause.

d. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. of this 29 section, no casino hotel employee or casino hotel security 30 employee registration shall be revoked on the basis of a 31 conviction of any of the offenses enumerated in this act as 32 33 disqualification criteria or the commission of any act or acts which would constitute any offense under subsection c. of section 34 35 86 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-86), as specified in subsection g. of 36 that section, provided that the registrant has affirmatively demonstrated his rehabilitation. In determining whether the 37 38 registrant has affirmatively demonstrated his rehabilitation the commission shall consider the following factors: 39

(1) The nature and duties of the registrant's position; 40

41 (2) The nature and seriousness of the offense or conduct;

(3) The circumstances under which the offense or conduct 42 43 occurred;

(4) The date of the offense or conduct;

45 (5) The age of the registrant when the offense or conduct was committed; 46

47 (6) Whether the offense or conduct was an isolated or repeated 48 incident;

49 (7) Any social conditions which may have contributed to the 50 offense or conduct;

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(8) Any evidence of rehabilitation, including good conduct in

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prison or in the community, counseling or psychiatric treatment received, acquisition of additional academic or vocational schooling, successful participation in correctional work-release programs, or the recommendation of persons who have or have had the registrant under their supervision.

e. The commission may waive any disqualification criterion for
a casino hotel employee or a casino hotel security employee
consistent with the public policy of this act and upon a finding
that the interests of justice so require.

10 f. Upon petition by the holder of a casino license, casino hotel 11 employee or casino hotel security employee registration shall be 12 granted to each applicant for [casino hotel employee] such 13 registration named therein, provided that the petition certifies 14 that each such applicant has filed a completed application for 15 casino hotel employee or casino hotel security employee 16 registration as required by the commission.

17 [Any person who, on the effective date of this amendatory act, 18 possesses a current and valid temporary or plenary casino hotel 19 employee license, or has a completed application for such 20 licensure pending before the commission, shall be considered 21 registered in accordance with the provisions of this section.]

Any person who, on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., c., possesses a current and valid casino employee license and serves solely as a casino hotel security employee, or has a completed application for such licensure pending before the commission in order to serve as a casino hotel security employee, shall be considered registered in accordance with the provisions of this section.

29 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.14)

30 1 [29.] 2 [32.1] 31.2 Section 94 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-94) is 31 amended to read as follows:

32 94. Approval and Denial of Registrations and Licenses Other 33 Than Casino Licenses. a. Upon the filing of an application for any license or registration required by this act, other than a 34 35 casino license, and after submission of such supplemental information as the commission may require, the commission shall 36 request the division to conduct such investigation into the 37 38 qualification of the applicant, and the commission shall conduct 39 such hearings concerning the qualification of the applicant, in 40 accordance with its regulations, as may be necessary to determine qualification for such license or registration. 41

b. After such investigation, the commission may either deny
the application or grant a license to or accept the registration of
an applicant whom it determines to be qualified to hold such
license or registration.

c. The commission shall have the authority to deny any
application pursuant to the provisions of this act. When an
application is denied, the commission shall prepare and file its
order denying such application with the general reasons therefor,
and if requested by the applicant, shall further prepare and file a

statement of the reasons for the denial, including the specific
 findings of fact.

d. When the commission grants an application, the commission 3 may limit or place such restrictions thereupon as it may deem 4 necessary in the public interest. Licenses shall be granted and 5 registrations approved for a term of one year; provided, however, 6 that: (1) all casino employee licenses, gaming school resident 7 8 director, instructor, principal employee and sales representative licenses, casino service industry licenses issued pursuant to 9 10 subsection c. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92c.), and junket representative and junket enterprise licenses issued 11 pursuant to section 102 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-102) shall be 12 granted for a term of three years; (2) casino hotel employee 13 14 registration shall remain in effect unless revoked, suspended, 15 limited, or otherwise restricted by the commission in accordance 16 with the provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.); and (3) 17 after the first two renewal periods succeeding the issuance of a casino key employee license or of a casino service industry 18 license required pursuant to subsection a. of section 92 of 19 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92), the license term shall be for two 20 21 years[, but the]. The commission shall reconsider the granting of 22 [such a] any license or the approval of any registration at any 23 time at the request of the Division of Gaming Enforcement in the Department of Law and Public Safety. 24

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (3) of this subsection, the commission may, for the purpose of avoiding the renewal in the same year of all the licenses existing on the effective date of this 1987 amendatory act which are affected by that paragraph, renew an appropriate number of those licenses for a term of one year, but the renewal period for those licenses may not be adjusted more than once pursuant to this provision.

e. After an application is submitted to the commission, final action of the commission shall be taken within 90 days after completion of all hearings and investigations and the receipt of all information required by the commission.

36 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.15)

37 $1[30.] \ 2[33.^{1}] \ 32.^{2}$ Section 3 of P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.12) 38 is amended to read as follows:

39 3. Applicability and Requirements.

Except as provided in subsection b. of this section, 40 a. whenever any person contracts to transfer any property relating 41 to an ongoing casino operation, including a security holding in a 42 casino licensee or holding or intermediary company, under 43 circumstances which require that the transferee obtain casino 44 licensure under section 82 of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, 45 c.110 (C.5:12-82), or qualification under section 84 or 85 of the 46 "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-84 and 5:12-85), 47 48 the contract shall not specify a closing or settlement date which 49 is earlier than the 121st day after the submission of a completed 50 application for licensure or qualification, which application shall

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include a fully executed and approved trust agreement in 1 accordance with section 5 of this 1987 amendatory and 2 supplementary act. Any contract provision which specifies an 3 4 earlier closing or settlement date shall be void for all purposes. Subsequent to the earlier of the report of the division on interim 5 6 authorization or the 90th day after the timely submission of the 7 completed application, but no later than the closing or settlement 8 date, the commission shall hold a hearing and render a decision on 9 the interim authorization of the applicant. If the commission grants interim authorization, then, subject to the provisions of 10 sections 3 through 7 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary 11 12 act, the closing or settlement may occur without interruption of 13 casino operations. If the commission denies interim 14 authorization, there shall be no closing or settlement until the commission makes a determination on the qualification of the 15 applicant, and if the commission then denies qualification the 16 contract shall thereby be terminated for all purposes without 17 liability on the part of the transferor. 18

Whenever any person, as a result of a transfer of 19 **b**. publicly-traded securities of a casino licensee or a holding or 20 intermediary company or a ¹[subsidiary] financing entity¹ of a 21 <u>casino licensee 1[or of a holding or intermediary company]</u>¹, is 22 23 required to qualify under section 84 or 85 of the "Casino Control 24 Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-84 and 5:12-85), the person shall, 25 within 30 days after the commission determines that qualification is required [under section 84] or declines to waive qualification 26 27 under section 84, under paragraph (1) of subsection d. of section 28 85, or under subsection f. of section 85, or within such additional 29 time as the commission may for good cause allow, file a 30 completed application for such licensure or qualification, which 31 application shall include a fully executed and approved trust 32 agreement in accordance with section 5 of [this 1987 amendatory 33 and supplementary act] P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.14), or in the 34 alternative, such person, within 120 days after the commission determines that qualification is ¹[necessary] required or a waiver 35 of qualification is denied¹, shall divest such securities as the 36 37 commission may require in order to remove the need for ¹If such person determines to divest such 38 qualification. 39 securities, notice of such determination shall be filed with the 40 commission within 30 days after the commission determines that 41 gualification is required or that a waiver of gualification is 42 <u>denied.¹</u> No extension of the time for filing a completed application shall be granted unless the person submits a written 43 44 acknowledgement of the jurisdiction of the commission and the obligations imposed by the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 45 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). If a person required by this section to file an 46 47 application fails to do so in a timely manner, such failure shall 48 constitute a per se disqualification to continue to act as a 49 security holder, and the commission shall take appropriate action 50 under the "Casino Control Act." If a person required by this

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1 section to file an application does so in a timely manner, then, subsequent to the earlier of the report of the division on interim 2 authorization or the 90th day after submission of the completed 3 application, but not later than the 120th day after such 4 submission, the commission shall hold a hearing and render a 5 6 decision on the interim authorization of such person. The pendency of proceedings under this subsection shall not prevent 7 the renewal of a casino license under section 88 of the "Casino 8 9 Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-88), so long as any person 10 required by this subsection to file an application has complied with this subsection and has otherwise complied with the "Casino 11 Control Act." 12

(cf: P.L.1987, c.409, s.3) 13

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¹[31.] $\frac{2[34,1]}{33.2}$ Section 5 of P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.14) 14 is amended to read as follows: 15

5. Provisions and Application of Trust Agreement.

a. (1) Where the applicant is not required to obtain a casino 17 license, the trust agreement filed pursuant to section 3 of this 18 1987 amendatory and supplementary act shall transfer and convey 19 all of the applicant's present and future right, title and interest 20 21 in the property described in section 3, including all voting rights 22 in securities, to the trustee.

23 (2) Where the applicant is required to obtain a casino license, 24 the trust agreement filed pursuant to section 3 of this 1987 25 amendatory and supplementary act shall transfer and convey to the trustee, if the applicant is a corporation, all outstanding 26 27 equity securities of the corporation, and, if the applicant is other 28 than a corporation, all outstanding interest in the applicant.

29 (3) The compensation for the service, costs and expenses of 30 the trustee or trustees shall be stated in the trust agreement and 31 shall be approved by the commission.

32 (4) The trust agreement filed pursuant to section 3 of this 1987 33 amendatory and supplementary act shall, in all instances, contain 34 such provisions as the commission may deem necessary and 35 desirable.

36 b. With respect to applicants described in subsection b. of 37 section 3 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act, if the 38 commission denies interim authorization, it shall order that the trust agreement become operative, or take such other action as 39 40 may be appropriate in accordance with this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act. With respect to all applicants under section 41 3, if the commission grants interim authorization, it shall 42 43 thereafter order that the trust agreement become operative at such time as it finds reasonable cause to believe that the 44 45 applicant or any person required to be qualified in connection with the application may be found unqualified. 46

c. While the trust agreement remains operative, the trustee 47 48 shall exercise all rights incident to the ownership of the property 49 subject to the trust, and shall be vested with all powers, authority and duties necessary to the unencumbered exercise of such rights, 50

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as provided in sections 31 through 40 of P.L.1978, c.7 (C.5:12-130.1 through 5:12-130.11), except that the applicant shall have no right to participate in the earnings of the casino hotel or receive any return on its investment or debt security

holdings during the time the trust is operative. 5 d. The trust agreement, once operative, shall remain operative 6 until the commission finds the applicant qualified, or the 7 commission finds the applicant unqualified and the property 8 9 subject to the trust is disposed of in accordance with subsection e. of section 5 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act, 10 except that the applicant may request the commission to direct 11 the trustee to dispose of the property subject to the trust, in 12 accordance with that subsection e., prior to a finding with 13 14 respect to qualification.

e. If the commission denies qualification to a person subject to 15 sections 3 through 7 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary 16 act, the trustee shall endeavor and be authorized to sell, assign, 17 18 convey or otherwise dispose of all property subject to the trust to such persons as shall be appropriately licensed or qualified or 19 20 shall obtain interim authorization in accordance with those 21 sections. The disposition of trust property by the trustee shall be completed within 120 days of the denial of qualification, or 22 23 within such additional time as the commission may for good cause allow, and shall be conducted in accordance with sections 31 24 25 through 40 of P.L.1978, c.7 (C.5:12-130.1 through 5:12-130.11), except that the proceeds of such disposition shall be distributed 26 27 to the unqualified applicant only in an amount not ¹[exceeding] to exceed the lower of 1 the actual cost of the assets to such 28 unqualified applicant¹[,] or the value of such assets¹ calculated 29 as if the investment had been made on the date the trust becomes 30 31 operative, and any excess remaining proceeds shall be paid to the casino revenue fund. 32

33 (cf: P.L.1987, c.409, s.5)

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96. Operation Certificate. a. Notwithstanding the issuance of 36 37 a license therefor, no casino may be opened or remain open to the 38 public, and no gaming activity, except for test purposes, may be 39 conducted therein, unless and until a valid operation certificate 40 has been issued to the casino licensee by the commission. Such certificate shall be issued by the commission upon a finding that 41 a casino complies in all respects with the requirements of this act 42 43 and regulations promulgated hereunder, that the casino licensee 44 has implemented necessary management controls and security 45 precautions, that casino personnel are properly trained and licensed for their respective responsibilities, and that the casino 46 47 is prepared in all respects to receive the public.

b. The operation certificate shall include a statement of
compliance with subsection a. of this section and an itemized list
by category and number of the authorized games permitted in the

1 particular casino establishment.

2 c. A casino licensee shall [notify the commission in advance of 3 proposed change], in accordance with regulations any promulgated by the commission, file any changes in the number 4 of authorized games to be played in a particular casino[, and shall 5 request the issuance of an operation certificate which permits 6 7 such changes to occur. The commission shall issue a revised operation certificate unless it finds that the planned change in 8 authorized games does not conform to the requirements of this 9 act or regulations promulgated hereunder, or that there has been 10 11 a change of circumstances in the casino or with respect to the casino licensee materially affecting compliance with subsection 12 a. of this section] with the commission and the division, which 13 shall review the changes for compliance with the "Casino Control 14 Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.) or regulations 15 promulgated thereunder. 16

d. An operation certificate shall remain in force and effect
unless altered in accordance with subsection c. of this section, or
revoked, suspended, limited, or otherwise altered by the
commission in accordance with this act.

21 e. It shall be an express condition of continued operation under this act that a casino licensee shall maintain all books, records, 22 23 and documents pertaining to the licensee's operations and approved hotel in a manner and location within this State 24 25 approved by the commission. All such books, records and 26 documents shall be immediately available for inspection during 27 all hours of operation in accordance with the rules of the commission and shall be maintained for [a period of seven years 28 29 or] such [other] period of time as the commission shall require.

30 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.17)

31 $1[33.] 2[36.1] 35.^2$ Section 97 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C₁5:12-97) is 32 amended to read as follows:

97. Hours of Operation. a. No casino licensed pursuant to this 33 act shall operate between the hours of [6] 1[8] 6^1 a.m. and 10 34 a.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and State and Federal holidays, or 35 between the hours of 4 a.m. and 10 a.m. on all other days, except 36 that for a period of three years following the effective date of 37 this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., c., the 38 commission may extend the hours of operation ³[on any day]³, up 39 to and including 24 hours of operation, ³[if] on any Saturday, 40 Sunday, or State or Federal holiday, or on any day on which³ the 41 commission determines that there is an event to be held in a 42 casino or in Atlantic City that will have a substantial citywide 43 impact with respect to the number of visitors to the city and will 44 have an economic impact on the casino industry which would 45 46 justify the extension of those hours.

b. A casino licensee shall file with the commission a schedule
of hours prior to the issuance of an initial operation certificate.
If the casino licensee proposes any change in scheduled hours,
such change may not be effected until such licensee files a notice

of the new schedule of hours with the commission. Such filing must be made 30 days prior to the effective date of the proposed change in hours.

c. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit a casino licensee
in opening its casino later than, or closing its casino earlier than,
the times stated in its schedule of operating hours; provided,
however, that any such alterations in its hours shall comply with
the provisions of subsection a. of this section and with regulations
of the commission pertaining to such alterations.

10 (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.97)

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11 $1[34.] 2[37.1] 36.^2$ Section 98 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-98) is amended to read as follows:

98. a. Each casino licensee shall arrange the facilities of its
casino in such a manner as to promote maximum comfort for the
patrons and optimum security for the casino operation, and shall
comply in all respects with regulations of the commission
pertaining thereto.

b. Each casino licensee shall:

(1) Install a closed circuit television system according to
specifications approved by the commission, and provide access on
the licensed premises to the system or its signal by the
commission or the division, in accordance with regulations
pertaining thereto;

(2) [Provide exterior public entrances to a casino only through
an enclosed lobby or receiving foyer of not less than 400 square
feet; provided, however, that nothing herein shall limit the
number of such entrances to a casino;

(3)] Establish a single room [of at least 15,000 square feet] as
its casino, and provide that visibility between any two areas in
the casino, whether or not contiguous, may not be obstructed by
partitions of any kind which cover more than 50% of the
structural opening; provided, however, that multi-level casinos
otherwise complying with this subsection shall be permitted; and

34 [(4)] (3) Not permit the interior of the casino to be visible from
35 outside the casino hotel facility[; and

(5) Not be entitled to have considered any meeting space and
restaurant, entertainment, and sports space which has direct
public access only through the casino as counting toward the
minimum ancillary space requirements of section 83 of this act].

40 (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.98)

41 $1[35.] 2[38.^1] 37.^2$ Section 99 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-99) is 42 amended to read as follows:

43 99. Internal Controls. a. Each casino licensee shall submit to 44 the commission a description of its system of internal procedures and administrative and accounting controls for gaming operations 45 46 and a description of any changes thereof. Such submission shall 47 be made at least [120] 60 days before gaming operations are to 48 commence [or at least 90 days before changes in previously 49 submitted control plans are to become effective] or_at least 50 60 days before any change in those procedures or controls is to

46 take effect, unless otherwise directed by the commission. Each 1 such submission shall contain both narrative and diagrammatic 2 3 representations of the internal control system to be utilized by 4 the casino, including, but not limited to: 5 (1) Accounting controls, including the standardization of forms and definition of terms to be utilized in the gaming operations; 6 7 (2) Procedures, forms, and, where appropriate, formulas 8 covering the calculation of hold percentages, revenue drop, expense and overhead schedules, complimentary services, junkets, 9 10 cash equivalent transactions, salary structure and personnel practices; 11 Job descriptions and the system of personnel and 12 (3) 13 chain-of-command, establishing a diversity of responsibility among employees engaged in casino operations and identifying 14 primary and secondary supervisory positions for areas of 15 responsibility, which areas shall not be so extensive as to be 16 17 impractical for an individual to monitor; (4) Procedures within the cashier's cage for the receipt, 18 19 storage and disbursal of chips, cash, and other cash equivalents used in gaming; the cashing of checks; the redemption of chips 20 21 and other cash equivalents used in gaming; the pay-off of 22 jackpots; and the recording of transactions pertaining to gaming 23 operations; 24 (5) Procedures for the collection and security of moneys at the 25 gaming tables; 26 (6) Procedures for the transfer and recordation of chips 27 between the gaming tables and the cashier's cage; 28 (7) Procedures for the transfer of moneys from the gaming 29 tables to the counting process; 30 (8) Procedures and security for the counting and recordation of 31 revenue; (9) Procedures for the security, storage and recordation of 32 33 chips and other cash equivalents utilized in the gaming operation; 34 (10) Procedures for the transfer of moneys or chips from and 35 to the slot machines; 36 (11) Procedures and standards for the opening and security of 37 slot machines; 38 (12)Procedures for the payment and recordation of slot 39 machine jackpots; (13) Procedures for the cashing and recordation of checks 40 exchanged by casino patrons; 41 42 (14) Procedures governing the utilization of the private 43 security force within the casino; 44 (15) Procedures and security standards for the handling and 45 storage of gaming apparatus including cards, dice, machines, 46 wheels and all other gaming equipment; 47 (16) Procedures and rules governing the conduct of particular 48 games and the responsibility of casino personnel in respect 49 thereto; and 50 Procedures for separately recording all transactions (17)

pursuant to section 101 of this act involving the Governor, any State officer or employee, or any special State officer or employee, any member of the Judiciary, any member of the Legislature, or any officer of a municipality or county in which casino gaming is authorized, and for the quarterly filing with the Attorney General of a list reporting all such transactions.

In addition, each casino licensee shall submit to the commission
a description of its system of internal procedures and
administrative and accounting controls for non-gaming operations
and a description of any changes thereof no later than five days
after those operations commence or after any change in those
procedures or controls takes effect.

b. The commission shall review each submission required by 13 14 subsection a. hereof, and shall determine whether it conforms to the requirements of this act and to the regulations promulgated 15 16 thereunder and whether the system submitted provides adequate and effective controls for the operations of the particular casino 17 hotel submitting it. If the commission finds any insufficiencies, it 18 shall specify same in writing to the casino licensee, who shall 19 make appropriate alterations. When the commission determines a 20 submission to be adequate in all respects, it shall notify the 21 casino licensee of same. No casino licensee shall commence or 22 23 alter gaming operations[, or alter in fact its internal controls,] unless and until such system of controls is approved by the 24 commission. [Except for submissions pending on the effective 25 date of this 1987 amendatory act, the commission shall make a 26 27 determination concerning a submission for changes in previously submitted control plans no later than 90 days following receipt of 28 the submission unless the commission and the casino licensee 29 agree to extend the period for making such a determination. If 30 there is no determination made within 90 days and there is no 31 agreement to extend the period for making such a determination, 32 then the submission shall be deemed to be approved.] 33

34 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.18)

35 $1[36.] 2[39.1] 38.^2$ Section 100 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-100) 36 is amended to read as follows:

37 100. Games and Gaming Equipment. a. This act shall not be
38 construed to permit any gaming except the conduct of authorized
39 games in a casino room in accordance with this act and the
40 regulations promulgated hereunder.

b. Gaming equipment shall not be possessed, maintained or 41 42 exhibited by any person on the premises of a casino hotel complex 43 except in the casino room and in secure areas used for the 44 inspection, repair or storage of such equipment and specifically 45 designated for that purpose by the casino licensee with the 46 approval of the commission. No gaming equipment shall be possessed, maintained, exhibited, brought into or removed from a 47 casino room by any person unless such equipment is necessary to 48 49 the conduct of an authorized game, has permanently affixed, 50 imprinted, impressed or engraved thereon an identification

number or symbol authorized by the commission, is under the exclusive control of a casino licensee or his employees, and is brought into or removed from the casino room at times authorized for that purpose by the commission or at other times when prior notice has been given to and written approval granted by an authorized agent of the commission.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a person may, with the prior
approval of the commission and under such terms and conditions
as may be required by the commission, possess, maintain or
exhibit gaming equipment in any other area of the casino hotel
complex; provided such equipment is used for nongaming purposes.

12 c. Each casino hotel shall contain a count room and such other secure facilities as may be required by the commission for the 13 counting and storage of cash, coins, tokens and checks received in 14 the conduct of gaming and for the inspection, counting and 15 storage of dice, cards, chips and other representatives of value. 16 All drop boxes and other devices wherein cash, coins, or tokens 17 18 are deposited at the gaming tables or in slot machines, and all areas wherein such boxes and devices are kept while in use, shall 19 20 be equipped with two locking devices, one key to which shall be under the exclusive control of the commission and the other 21 22 under the exclusive control of the casino licensee, and said drop 23 boxes and other devices shall not be brought into or removed from the casino room, or locked or unlocked, except at such $\mathbf{24}$ 25times, in such places, and according to such procedures as the 26 commission may require.

d. All chips used in gaming at all casinos shall be of such size
and uniform color by denomination as the commission shall
require by regulation.

30 e. All gaming shall be conducted according to rules promulgated by the commission. All wagers and pay-offs of 31 winning wagers at table games shall be made according to rules 32 promulgated by the commission, which shall establish such 33 minimum wagers and other limitations as may be necessary to 34 assure the vitality of casino operations and fair odds to and 35 maximum participation by casino patrons; provided, however, 36 that a licensee may establish a higher minimum wager with the 37 prior approval of the commission. Each slot machine shall have a 38 39 minimum payout of 83%.

f. Each casino licensee shall make available in printed form to 40 any casino patron upon request the complete text of the rules of 41 the commission regarding games and the conduct of gaming, 42 pay-offs of winning wagers, an approximation of the odds of 43 winning for each wager, and such other advice to the player as 44 Each casino licensee shall the commission shall require. 45 prominently post within the casino room according to regulations 46 47 of the commission such information about gaming rules, pay-offs of winning wagers, the odds of winning for each wager, and such 48 other advice to the player as the commission shall require. 49

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g. Each gaming table shall be equipped with a sign indicating

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made by a patron and not rejected by a casino licensee prior to stated maximum; provided, however, that any wager actually wager to be greater than the stated minimum or less than the thereto. It shall be unlawful for a casino licensee to require any the permissible muminime prefining wagers pertaining

38 subject to the prior approval of the commission. 32 denominations of such machines shall be set by the licensee, 36 or frequent distraction to players at gaming tables. эцТ 32 gracious playing environment in the casino and to avoid deception ₽£ size and light and noise levels, so as to create and maintain a 33 licensed slot machines or combinations thereof, based upon their 32 regulation, determine the permissible density of particular 33 third year after the effective date. The commission shall, by 30 and up to 30% of that number may be added by the end of the 67 be added by the end of the second year after the effective date, 82 first year after the effective date, up to 20% of that number may 22 operation on that effective date may be added by the end of the 97 , c. , up to 10% of the number of slot machines in D.L. 52 on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, ₽2 1,200 qualifying sleeping units. In the case of casinos in operation 23 additional floor space in the case of a casino hotel with at least 22 sleeping units or more than ¹[40%] ³[42%¹] 45%³ of such 12 feet in the case of a casino hotel with fewer than 1,200 qualifying 20 of any additional floor space of a casino larger than 50,000 square **6**I feet of floor space of a casino, or more than $[25\%] \frac{1}{20\%}$ 8I more than [30%] $1^{40.0}$ $3^{45.0}$ $1^{45.0}$ of the first 50,000 square ۲2 shall slot machines, including walkways between them, occupy 9T or deception and to insure the integrity of gaming. In no event JΩ levels, as it may deem necessary to protect the player from fraud ₽ī tampering, the comprehensibility of wagering, and noise and light 13 including mechanical and electrical reliability, security against ΖI regulation, establish such technical standards for licensure, ττ and licensed for use by the commission. The commission shall, by 10 model thereof which has been specifically tested by the division 6 identical in all electrical, mechanical and other aspects to a 8 h. No slot machine shall be used to conduct gaming unless it is L the commencement of play shall be treated as a valid wager. 9

by the table, in accordance with the following: 0₽ floor space for each gaming table, including the space occupied 36 i. [Each casino shall be arranged in such fashion as to allow

Baccarat--300 square feet 14

Blackjack--100 square feet 7₽

Craps--200 square feet €₽

Roulette-150 square feet ₽₽

Big Six Wheel--150 square feet] (Deleted by amendment,

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not, according to the following: that gaming tables shall at all times be present, whether in use or Each casino shall be arranged in such fashion as to assure

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1 50,000 square feet of casino space or part thereof; and

2 (2) No more than one Big Six Wheel and table for every 10,000 3 square feet of casino space or part thereof.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c. .) 4

k. It shall be unlawful for any person to exchange or redeem 5 chips for anything whatsoever, except currency, negotiable 6 personal checks, negotiable counter checks or other chips. A 7 casino licensee shall, upon the request of any person, redeem that 8 9 licensee's gaming chips surrendered by that person in any amount over \$25.00 with a check drawn upon the licensee's account at 10 any banking institution in this State and made payable to that 11 person. 12

1. It shall be unlawful for any casino licensee or 1[his] its 113 agents or employees to employ, contract with, or use any shill or 14 barker to induce any person to enter a casino or play at any game 15 16 or for any purpose whatsoever.

17 m. It shall be unlawful for a dealer in any authorized game in which cards are dealt to deal cards by hand or other than from a 18 device specifically designed for that purpose. 19

n. It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee, other than 20 a junket representative, or any casino employee, other than a 21 bartender, waiter, waitress, or other casino employee who in the 22 judgment of the commission is not directly involved with the 23 conduct of gaming operations, to wager at any game in any casino 24 25 in this State.

26 o. (1) It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee or boxman, floorman, or any other casino employee who shall serve 27 28 in a supervisory position to solicit or accept, and for any other 29 casino employee to solicit, any tip or gratuity from any player or 30 patron at the casino where he is employed.

(2) A dealer may accept tips or gratuities from a patron at the 31 32 table at which such dealer is conducting play, subject to the 33 provisions of this subsection. All such tips or gratuities shall be 34 immediately deposited in a lockbox reserved for that purpose, 35 accounted for, and placed in a pool for distribution pro rata 36 among the dealers [on a weekly basis], with the distribution based 37 upon the number of hours each dealer has worked.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.7) 38

39 ¹[37.] ²[$40.^{1}$] <u>39.</u>² Section 101 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-101) is amended to read as follows: 40

101. Credit. a. Except as otherwise provided in this section, 41 42 no casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no 43 person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a 44 casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, shall:

45 (1) Cash any check, make any loan, or otherwise provide or 46 allow to any person any credit or advance of anything of value or 47 which represents value to enable any person to take part in 48 gaming activity as a player; or

49 (2) Release or discharge any debt, either in whole or in part, or 50 make any loan which represents any losses incurred by any player

in gaming activity, without maintaining a written record thereof 1 in accordance with the rules of the commission. 2

b. No casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and 3 no person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a 4 casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, may 5 accept a check, other than a recognized traveler's check or other 6 cash equivalent from any person to enable such person to take part in gaming activity as a player, or may give cash or cash 8 equivalents in exchange for such check unless: 9

(1) The check is made payable to the casino licensee;

(2) The check is dated, but not postdated;

(3) The check is presented to the cashier or his representative 12 and is exchanged only for a credit slip or slips which total an 13 amount equal to the amount for which the check is drawn, which 14 slip or slips may be presented for chips at a gaming table; and

(4) The regulations concerning check cashing procedures are observed by the casino licensee and its employees and agents. 17

Nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to preclude the 18 establishment of an account by any person with a casino licensee 19 by a deposit of cash [or], recognized traveler's check or other 20 21 cash equivalent, or a check which meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section, or to preclude the withdrawal, 22 either in whole or in part, of any amount contained in such 23 24 account.

25 c. When a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, or any person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement 26 with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, 27 cashes a check in conformity with the requirements of subsection 28 29 b. of this section, the casino licensee shall cause the deposit of such check in a bank for collection or payment within (1) seven 30 calendar days of the date of the transaction for a check in an 31 amount of \$1,000.00 or less; (2) 14 calendar days of the date of 32 the transaction for a check in an amount greater than \$1,000.00 33 34 but less than or equal to \$5,000.00; or (3) 45 calendar days of the date of the transaction for a check in an amount greater than 35 36 \$5,000.00. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the drawer of the 37 check may redeem the check by exchanging cash [or], cash 38 equivalents, chips, or a check which meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section in an amount equal to the amount for 39 40 which the check is drawn; or he may redeem the check in part by exchanging cash [or], cash equivalents, chips, or a check which 41 42 meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section and 43 another check which meets the requirements of subsection b. of 44 this section for the difference between the original check and the 45 cash [or], cash equivalents, chips, or check tendered; or he may 46 issue one check which meets the requirements of subsection b. of this section in an amount sufficient to redeem two or more 47 checks drawn to the order of the casino licensee. If there has 48 49 been a partial redemption or a consolidation in conformity with 50 the provisions of this subsection, the newly issued check shall be

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1 delivered to a bank for collection or payment within the period herein specified. No casino licensee or any person licensed under 2 this act, and no person acting on behalf of or under any 3 arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under 4 5 this act, shall accept any check or series of checks in redemption 6 or consolidation of another check or checks in accordance with 7 this subsection for the purpose of avoiding or delaying the deposit of a check in a bank for collection or payment within the time 8 period prescribed by this subsection. 9

10 In computing a time period prescribed by this subsection, the 11 last day of the period shall be included unless it is a Saturday, 12 Sunday, or a State or federal holiday, in which event the time 13 period shall run until the next business day.

d. No casino licensee or any other person licensed under this 14 act, or any other person acting on behalf of or under any 15 arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under 16 this act, shall transfer, convey, or give, with or without 17 check cashed in conformity 18 consideration, a with the 19 requirements of this section to any person other than:

20 (1) The drawer of the check upon redemption or consolidation
21 in accordance with subsection c. of this section;

(2) A bank for collection or payment of the check; or

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(3) A purchaser of the casino license as approved by the
commission. The limitation on transferability of checks imposed
herein shall apply to checks returned by any bank to the casino
licensee without full and final payment.

e. No person other than one licensed as a casino key employee
or as a casino employee may engage in efforts to collect upon
checks that have been returned by banks without full and final
payment, except that an attorney-at-law representing a casino
licensee may bring action for such collection.

32 f. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, 33 checks cashed in conformity with the requirements of this act 34 shall be valid instruments, enforceable at law in the courts of this 35 State. Any check cashed, transferred, conveyed or given in 36 violation of this act shall be invalid and unenforceable for the 37 purposes of collection but shall be included in the calculation of 38 gross revenue pursuant to section 24 of P.L.1977, c.110 39 (C.5:12-24).

g. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. of this
section to the contrary, a casino licensee may accept a check
from a person to enable the person to take part in gaming
activity as a player, [or] may give cash or cash equivalents in
exchange for ¹[the] such a¹ check, or may accept a check in
redemption or partial redemption of a check issued in accordance
with subsection b., provided that:

(1) (a) The check is drawn by a casino licensee pursuant to the
provisions of subsection k. of section 100 of P.L.1977, c.110
(C.5:12-100 k.) or upon a withdrawal of funds from an account
established in accordance with the provisions of subsection b. of

this section or is drawn by a casino licensee for winnings from slot machine payoffs;

(b) The check is issued by a banking institution which is 3 4 chartered in a country other than the United States on its account at a federally chartered or state-chartered bank and is 5 6 made payable to "cash," "bearer," a casino licensee, or the 7 person presenting the check; or

8 (c) The check is issued by a banking institution which is chartered in the United States on its account at another federally 9 chartered or state-chartered bank and is made payable to "cash," 10 "bearer," a casino licensee, or the person presenting the check; 11

(2) The check is identifiable in a manner approved by the 12 13 commission as a check issued for a purpose listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection; 14

(3) The check is dated, but not postdated;

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(4) The check is presented to the cashier or the cashier's 16 representative by the original payee and its validity is verified by 17 the drawer ¹in the case of a check drawn pursuant to 18 subparagraph (a) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, or the check 19 20 is verified in accordance with regulations promulgated by the commission in the case of a check issued pursuant to 21 subparagraph (b) or subparagraph (c) of paragraph (1) of this 22 23 subsection¹; and

24 (5) The regulations concerning check cashing procedures are observed by the casino licensee and its employees and agents. 25

26 No casino licensee shall issue a check for the purpose of making a loan or otherwise providing or allowing any advance or 27 28 credit to a person to enable the person to take part in gaming 29 activity as a player.

30 h. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. and subsection c. of this section to the contrary, a casino licensee 31 may, at a location outside the casino, accept a personal check or 32 checks from a person for up to ³[\$2,500] \$1,500³ in exchange for 33 cash or cash equivalents, and may, at ¹[a cashier's cage] such 34 locations within the casino as may be permitted by the 35 commission¹, accept a personal check or checks for up to 36 37 ³[\$2,500] \$1,500³ in exchange for cash, cash equivalents, tokens, chips, or plaques to enable the person to take part in gaming 38 39 activity as a player or non-gaming activity, as the case may be, 40 provided that:

41 (1) The check is drawn on the patron's bank or brokerage cash 42 management account;

(2) The check is for a specific amount; 43

(3) The check is ¹[make] made¹ payable to the casino licensee; 44

(4) The check is dated but not post-dated; 45

46 (5) The patron's identity is established by examination of one 47 of the following: valid credit card, driver's license, passport, or other form of identification credential which contains, at a 48 49 minimum, the patron's signature; 50

(6) The check is restrictively endorsed "For Deposit Only" to

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the casino licensee's bank account and deposited on the next

(7) ¹[No other check or checks are outstanding.] The total amount of personal checks accepted by ³[all licensees] any one licensee³ pursuant to this subsection that are outstanding at any time, including the current check being submitted ³[to a licensee]³, does not exceed 3[\$2,500] \$1,500³.¹ i. Checks cashed pursuant to the provisions of subsection h. of this section which are subsequently uncollectable may not be deducted from the total of all sums received in calculating gross revenue pursuant to section 24 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-24)¹[;].¹ j. A person may request the commission to put that person's name on a list of persons to whom the extension of credit by a casino as provided in this section would be prohibited ¹by submitting to the commission the person's name, address, and date of birth¹. The person does not need to provide a reason for this request. The commission shall provide this list to the credit department of each casino; neither the commission nor the credit department of a casino shall divulge the names on this list

banking day following the date of the transaction; ¹and¹

19 credit department of a casino shall divulge the names on this list 20 to any person or entity other than those provided for in this 21 subsection. If such a person wishes to have that person's name 22 removed from the list, the person shall submit this request to the 23 commission, which shall so inform the credit departments of 24 casinos no later than three days after the submission of the 25 request.

26 (cf: P.L.1987, c.426, s.4)

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27 $1[38.] \ 2[\underline{41.}^1] \ \underline{40.}^2$ Section 102 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-102)28is amended to read as follows:

29 102. Junkets and Complimentary Services. a. No junkets may 30 be organized or permitted except in accordance with the provisions of this act. No person may act as a junket 31 32 representative or junket enterprise except in accordance with this section. Notwithstanding any other provisions of P.L.1977, 33 34 c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.), junket enterprises engaged in activities governed by this section shall not be subject to the provisions of 35 36 section 92 and subsection b. of section 104 of P.L.1977, c.110 37 (C.5:12-92 and c.5:12-104) with regard to those activities, unless 38 otherwise directed by the commission pursuant to subsection k. of 39 this section.

b. A junket representative shall be licensed as a casino key 40 employee in accordance with the provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 41 (C.5:12-1 et seq.); provided, however, that said licensee need not 42 43 be a resident of this State. Any person who holds a current and 44 valid casino key employee license may act as a junket representative while employed by a casino licensee without 45 further endorsement of his license. No casino licensee or junket 46 engage 47 enterprise may employ or otherwise a junket representative who is not so licensed. 48

c. A junket enterprise shall be licensed in accordance with the
 provisions of this section prior to conducting any business

whatsoever with a casino licensee, its employees or agents. A 1 2 junket enterprise, as well as such of its owners, management and supervisory personnel and other principal employees as the 3 commission may consider appropriate for qualification, must 4 5 qualify under the standards, except residency, established for qualification of a casino key employee under P.L.1977, c.110 6 7 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). No casino licensee or junket enterprise may employ or otherwise engage the services of a junket enterprise 8 9 who is not so licensed.

10 Notwithstanding the foregoing, any licensed junket 11 representative who is the sole owner and operator of a junket 12 enterprise shall not be required to be licensed as a junket 13 enterprise pursuant to this section if his junket representative 14 license is endorsed as such.

15 d. Prior to the issuance of any license required by this section, an applicant for licensure shall submit to the jurisdiction of the 16 State of New Jersey and shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of 17 the commission that he is amenable to service of process within 18 19 this State. Failure to establish or maintain compliance with the 20 requirements of this subsection shall constitute sufficient cause 21 for the denial, suspension or revocation of any license issued 22 pursuant to this section.

e. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1987, c.426.)

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24 Every agreement concerning junkets entered into by a f. 25 casino licensee and a junket representative or junket enterprise 26 shall be deemed to include a provision for its termination without 27 liability on the part of the casino licensee, if the commission 28 orders the termination upon the suspension, limitation, 29 conditioning, denial or revocation of the licensure of the junket 30 representative or junket enterprise, in accordance with the provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). Failure to 31 32 expressly include such a condition in the agreement shall not 33 constitute a defense in any action brought to terminate the 34 agreement.

g. A casino licensee shall be responsible for the conduct of any
junket representative or junket enterprise associated with it and
for the terms and conditions of any junket engaged in on its
premises, regardless of the fact that the junket may involve
persons not employed by such a casino licensee.

40 h. A casino licensee shall be responsible for any violation or 41 deviation from the terms of a junket. Notwithstanding any other 42 provisions of this act, the commission may, after hearings in 43 accordance with this act, order restitution to junket participants, 44 assess penalties for such violations or deviations, prohibit future 45 junkets by the casino licensee, junket enterprise or junket representative, and order such further relief as it deems 46 47 appropriate.

i. The commission shall, by regulation, prescribe methods,
procedures and forms for the delivery and retention of
information concerning the conduct of junkets by casino

licensees. Without limitation of the foregoing, each casino
 licensee, in accordance with the rules of the commission, shall:

3 (1) Maintain on file a report describing the operation of any 4 junket engaged in on its premises, which report may include 5 acknowledgments by the participants, signed on the date of 6 arrival, that they understand the terms of the particular junket;

7 (2) Submit to the commission and division a report on those 8 arrangements which would be junkets but for the fact that those 9 arrangements do not include a selection or approval of 10 participants in accordance with the terms of section 29 of 11 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-29); and

(3) Submit to the commission and division a list of all its
employees who are acting as junket representatives but whose
licenses are not endorsed as such.

j. Each casino licensee, junket representative or junket enterprise shall, in accordance with the rules of the commission, file a report with the division with respect to each list of junket patrons or potential junket patrons purchased directly or indirectly by the casino licensee, junket representative or enterprise.

k. The commission shall have the authority to determine, 21 either by regulation, or upon petition by the holder of a casino 22 license, that a type of arrangement otherwise included within the 23 definition of "junket" established by section 29 of P.L.1977, c.110 24 25 (C.5:12-29) shall not require compliance with any or all of the 26 requirements of this section. The commission shall seek the 27 opinion of the division prior to granting any exemption. In 28 granting exemptions, the commission shall consider such factors 29 as the nature, volume and significance of the particular type of 30 arrangement, and whether the exemption would be consistent 31 with the public policies established by this act. In applying the provisions of this subsection, the commission may condition, 32 33 limit, or restrict any exemption as the commission may deem 34 appropriate.

l. No junket enterprise or junket representative or person
acting as a junket representative may:

37 (1) Engage in efforts to collect upon checks that have been
38 returned by banks without full and final payment;

39 (2) Exercise approval authority with regard to the
40 authorization or issuance of credit pursuant to section 101 of
41 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-101);

42 (3) Act on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino
43 licensee or a gaming patron with regard to the redemption,
44 consolidation, or substitution of the gaming patron's checks
45 awaiting deposit pursuant to subsection c. of section 101 of
46 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-101);

47 (4) Individually receive or retain any fee from a patron for the
48 privilege of participating in a junket;

49 (5) Pay for any services, including transportation, or other
50 items of value provided to, or for the benefit of, any patron

participating in a junket.

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m. No casino licensee shall offer or provide any complimentary services, gifts, cash or other items of value to any person unless:

5 (1) The complimentary consists of room, food, beverage or 6 entertainment expenses provided directly to the patron and his 7 guests by the licensee or indirectly to the patron and his guests 8 on behalf of a licensee by a third party; or

9 (2) The complimentary consists of documented transportation 10 expenses provided directly to the patron and his guests by the 11 licensee or indirectly to the patron and his guests on behalf of a 12 licensee by a third party, provided that the licensee complies 13 with regulations promulgated by the commission to ensure that a 14 patron's and his guests' documented transportation expenses are 15 paid for or reimbursed only once; or

(3) The complimentary consists of coins, tokens, cash or other
complimentary items or services provided through a bus coupon
or other complimentary distribution program approved by the
commission or maintained pursuant to commission regulation[; or

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21 Notwithstanding the foregoing, a casino licensee may offer and provide complimentary cash or noncash gifts which are not 22 23 otherwise included in paragraphs (1) through (3) of this subsection to any person, provided that any such [noncash] gifts in excess of 24 25 \$2,000.00 per trip, or such greater amount as the commission may establish by regulation [provided directly to the patron and his 26 27 guests by the licensee or indirectly to the patron and his guests on behalf of a licensee by a third party shall be], are supported by 28 documentation regarding the reason the [noncash] gift was 29 30 provided to the patron and his guests, including where applicable, a patron's player rating, [to] which documentation shall be 31 maintained by the casino licensee. For the purposes of this 32 paragraph, all [noncash] gifts presented to a patron and the 33 patron's guests directly by the licensee or indirectly on behalf of 34 35 the licensee by a third party within any five-day period shall be 36 considered to have been made during a single [noncash gift] trip. 37 ¹In the case of cash gifts, the commission shall establish by 38 regulation the total amount of such gifts that a licensee may 39 provide to a patron each year.¹

40 Each casino licensee shall maintain a regulated complimentary service account, for those complimentaries which are permitted 41 42 pursuant to this section, and shall submit a quarterly report to 43 the commission based upon such account and covering all 44 complimentary services offered or engaged in by the licensee 45 during the immediately preceding quarter. Such reports shall 46 include identification of the regulated complimentary services 47 and their respective costs, the number of persons by category of 48 service who received the same, and such other information as the 49 commission may require.

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n. As used in this subsection, "person" means any State officer

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No casino applicant or licensee shall provide directly or indirectly to any person any complimentary service or discount 20 indirectly to any person any complimentary service or discount

remaining term of his current license. 67 for the representative or junket enterprise, respectively, 82 accordance with the provisions of this section as a junket 22 the conduct of junket activities, shall be considered licensed in 92 representative license or a junket enterprise license authorizing 52 amendatory act, holds a current, and valid plenary junket ₽2 o. (1) Any person who, on the effective date of this 1987 23 members of the general public in like circumstance. 22

which is other than such service or discount that is offered to

from and after the effective date of this 1987 amendatory act. **₽**₽ representative or junket enterprise upon the expiration of 90 days €₽ not be permitted to act as, or perform the services of, a junket 74 Any junket representative or junket enterprise not so filing shall IÞ activities until the commission has acted upon such application. 0₽ junket enterprise so filing shall be permitted to engage in junket 36 days of the effective date hereof. Any junket representative or • 85 0e nithiw tos trotschame 78et sith to anoisivory act within 90 32 enterprise files with the commission an application for licensure 36 enterprise so long as such junket representative or junket 35 perform the services of a junket representative or junket ¥£ conduct of junket activities shall be permitted to act as, or 33 representative or junket enterprise license authorizing the 32 amendatory act, holds a current and valid temporary junket τe Any person who, on the effective date of this 1987 (Z) 30

(cf: P.L.1987, c.426, s.5)

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¹[39.] 2 [42.¹] <u>41.</u>² Section 103 of P.L.1977, C.110 (C.5:12-103) is smended to read as follows: 103 - 3 - Notwithstanding any law to the contart the authority

103. a. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the authority to grant any license for, or to permit or prohibit the presence of, alcoholic beverages in, on, or about any premises licensed as part of a casino hotel shall exclusively be vested in the commission.

b. Unless otherwise stated, and except where inconsistent with
the purpose or intent of this act or the common understanding of
usage thereof, definitions contained in Title 33 of the Revised
Statutes shall apply to this section. Any definition contained
therein shall apply to the same word in any form.

c. Notwithstanding any provision of Title 33 of the Revised 7 8 Statutes, the rules, regulations and bulletins promulgated by the director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, or any 9 provision promulgated by any local authority, the authority to 10 issue, renew, transfer, revoke or suspend a Casino Hotel 11 Alcoholic Beverage License or any portion, location, privilege or 12 13 condition thereof; to fine or penalize a Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage Licensee; to enforce all statutes, laws, ruling, or 14 regulations relating to such license; and to collect license fees 15 16 and establish application standards therefor, shall be, consistent with this act, exclusively vested in the commission or the division. 17 d. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions 18

of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes and the rules, regulations and
bulletins promulgated by the director of the Division of Alcoholic
Beverage Control shall apply to a Casino Hotel and Casino Hotel
Alcoholic Beverage Licensee licensed under this act.

23 Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, the **e**.: 24 commission may promulgate any regulations and special rulings 25 and findings as may be necessary for the proper enforcement, 26 regulation, and control of alcoholic beverages in casino hotels 27 when the commission finds that the uniqueness of casino 28 operations and the public interest require that such regulations, 29 rulings, and findings are appropriate. Regulations of the 30 commission may include but are not limited to: designation and 31 duties of enforcement personnel; all forms necessary or 32 convenient in the administration of this section; inspections, 33 investigations, searches, seizures; licensing and disciplinary standards; requirements and standards for any hearings or 34 35 disciplinary or other proceedings that may be required from time 36 to time; the assessment of fines or penalties for violations; hours 37 of sale; sales in original containers; sales on credit; out-of-door 38 sales; limitations on sales; gifts and promotional materials; locations or places for sale; control of signs and other displays; 39 40 identification of licensees and their employees; employment of 41 aliens and minors; storage, transportation and sanitary requirements; records to be kept by the Casino Hotel Alcoholic 42 43 Beverage Licensees and availability thereof; practices unduly 44 designed to increase consumption of alcoholic beverages; and 45 such other matters whatsoever as are or may become necessary 46 and consistent with the administration of this act.

f. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person, including any casino
licensee[,] or any of its lessees, agents or employees, to expose
for sale, solicit or promote the sale of, possess with intent to sell,
sell, give, dispense, or otherwise transfer or dispose of alcoholic

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beverages in, on or about any portion of the premises of a casino
 hotel, unless said person possesses [an appropriate] <u>a</u> Casino Hotel
 Alcoholic Beverage License.

4 (2) It shall be unlawful for any person issued a Casino Hotel 5 Alcoholic Beverage License to expose, possess, sell, give, 6 dispense, transfer, or otherwise dispose of alcoholic beverages, 7 other than within the terms and conditions of the Casino Hotel 8 Alcoholic Beverage License issued, the provisions of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes, the rules and regulations promulgated by 9 10 the director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, and, when applicable, the regulations promulgated pursuant to this act. 11

g. In issuing a Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License the commission shall describe the scope of the particular license and the restrictions and limitations thereon as it deems necessary and reasonable. The commission may, in a single Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License, permit the holder of such a license to perform any or all of the following activities, subject to applicable laws, rules and regulations:

(1) To sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open 19 20 receptacle, but not in an original container, for on-premise consumption within a casino; provided, however, that no [food or] 21 22 alcoholic beverage[, other than nonalcoholic beverages or garnishments used in the preparation of alcoholic beverages for 23 24 consumption by the glass,] shall be sold, given or be available for consumption; offered, delivered or otherwise brought to a patron; 25 or consumed at a gaming table unless so requested by the patron. 26

27 (2) To sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open
28 receptacle for on-premise consumption within [an enclosed
29 cabaret or entertainment room not in a casino.

30 (3) To sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open
31 receptacle for on-premise consumption within an enclosed
32 restaurant or banquet room or a series of enclosed connected
33 rooms, with or without an adjacent outdoor dining area, not in a
34 casino.

(4) To sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open
receptacle for on-premise consumption within a pub room not in
a casino, or from onel <u>a casino hotel</u>, but not in a casino, or from
<u>a</u> fixed location outside a building or structure containing a
casino but oh a casino hotel premises.

[(5)] (3) To sell any alcoholic beverage in original containers for
consumption outside the licensed area from [one] an enclosed
package room not in a casino[; provided, however, that no food
shall be made available for consumption in a package room and no
direct access to or from a casino may exist in a package room].

45 [(6)] (4) To sell any alcoholic beverage [from one fixed] by the 46 glass or other open receptacle or in original containers from a 47 room service location within an enclosed room not in a casino; 48 provided, however, that [the licensed room service room has no 49 direct access to or from a casino and] any sale of alcoholic 50 beverages is delivered only to a guest room or to any other room in the casino hotel authorized by the commission, other than any room authorized by the commission pursuant to paragraph (1), [(2),](3), [(4),] or (5) of this subsection.

[(7)] (5) To possess or to store alcoholic beverages in original 4 containers intended but not actually exposed for sale [in an area, 5 room or location so licensed. The holder of a Casino Hotel 6 7 Alcoholic Beverage License permitting such possession and 8 storage shall be entitled, subject to applicable laws, rules, and regulations, to store any alcoholic beverage intended for sale] at 9 10 a fixed location on a casino hotel premises, not in a casino[, and not otherwise licensed under this section]; and to transfer or 11 deliver such alcoholic beverages only to a [licensed location for 12 which such licensee is licensed] location approved pursuant to this 13 section; provided, however, that no access to or from a [licensed] 14 storage location shall be permitted except during the normal 15 course of business by employees or agents of the licensee, or by 16 17 licensed employees or agents of wholesalers or distributors licensed pursuant to Title 33 of the Revised Statutes and any 18 applicable rules and regulations; and provided further, however, 19 that no provision of this section shall be construed to prohibit a 20 Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage Licensee from obtaining an 21 off-site storage license from the Division of Alcoholic Beverage 22 Control. 23

h. (1) No Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License which authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages within a casino pursuant to subsection g.(1) of this section shall issue to any applicant who does not hold a casino license issued pursuant to this act.

No Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License which 29 (2) authorizes the possession, sale or storage of alcoholic beverages 30 pursuant to subsection g_{2} , (3), (4), or (5)[, (6), or (7)] of this 31 section shall issue to any applicant who would not qualify under 32 33 the standards for licensure of a casino [employee as defined under this act, except that such applicant need not be an employee of 34 35 the casino licensee] service industry pursuant to subsection c. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92). 36

37 (3) No Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License which
authorizes the possession or storage of alcoholic beverages
pursuant to subsection g.[(7)] of this section, shall issue to any
applicant who does not hold a Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage
License, permitting any activity pursuant to subsection g.(1), (2),
(3), or (4)[, (5) or (6)] of this section.

i. The commission may revoke, suspend, refuse to renew or
refuse to transfer any Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License,
or fine or penalize any Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage Licensee
for violations of any provision of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes,
the rules and regulations promulgated by the director of the
Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, and the regulations
promulgated by the commission.

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j. Jurisdiction over all alcoholic beverage licenses previously

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issued with respect to the casino hotel facility is hereby vested in
 the commission, which in its discretion may by regulation provide
 for the conversion thereof into a Casino Hotel Alcoholic
 Beverage License as provided in this section.

5 (cf: P.L.1982, c.148, s.2)

6 1 [40.] 2 [<u>43.</u>¹] <u>42.</u>² Section 105 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12–105) 7 is amended to read as follows:

8 105. Disposition of Securities by Corporate Licensee. a. The 9 sale, assignment, transfer, pledge or other disposition of any 10 security issued by a corporation which holds a casino license is 11 conditional and shall be ineffective if disapproved by the 12 commission.

b. Every security issued by a corporation which holds a casino license shall bear, on both sides of the certificate evidencing such security, a statement of the restrictions imposed by this section, except that in the case of a publicly traded corporation incorporated prior to the effective date of this act, a statement of restriction shall be necessary only insofar as certificates are issued by such corporation after the effective date of this act.

20 c. The Secretary of State shall not accept for filing any 21 articles of incorporation of any corporation which includes as a 22 stated purpose the conduct of casino gaming, or any amendment 23 which adds such purpose to articles of incorporation already filed, 24 unless such articles or amendments have been approved by the 25 commission and a copy of such approval is annexed thereto upon 26 presentation for filing with the Secretary of State.

27 d. If at any time the commission finds that an individual owner 28 or holder of any security of a corporate licensee or of a holding 29 or intermediary company with respect thereto is not qualified under this act, and if as a result the corporate licensee is no 30 31 longer qualified to continue as a casino licensee in this State, the 32 commission shall, pursuant to the provisions of this act, [propose] 33 take any necessary action to protect the public interest, including 34 the suspension or revocation of the casino license of the 35 corporation; provided, however, that if the holding or 36 intermediary company is a publicly traded corporation and the commission finds disqualified any holder of any security thereof 37 38 who is required to be qualified under section 85 d. of this act, and 39 the commission also finds that: (1) the holding or intermediary 40 company has complied with the provisions of section 82 d. (7) of 41 this act; (2) the holding or intermediary company has made a good 42 faith effort, including the prosecution of all legal remedies, to 43 comply with any order of the commission requiring the divestiture of the security interest held by the disqualified 44 holder; and (3) such disgualified holder does not have the ability 45 to control the corporate licensee or any holding or intermediary 46 47 company with respect thereto, or to elect one or more members 48 of the board of directors of such corporation or company, the 49 commission shall not take action against the casino licensee or 50 the holding or intermediary company with respect to the

continued ownership of the security interest by the disqualified 1 holder. For purposes of this act, a security holder shall be 2 presumed to have the ability to control a publicly traded 3 corporation, or to elect one or more members of its board of 4 directors, if such holder owns or beneficially holds 5% or more of 5 the ¹[voting] equity¹ securities of such corporation, unless such 6 presumption of control or ability to elect is rebutted by clear and 7 convincing evidence. 8

9 e. Commencing on the date the commission serves notice upon
10 a corporation of the determination of disqualification under
11 subsection d. of this section, it shall be unlawful for the named
12 individual:

13 (1) To receive any dividends or interest upon any such
14 securities;

15 (2) To exercise, directly or through any trustee or nominee,
any right conferred by such securities; or

17 (3) To receive any remuneration in any form from the18 corporate licensee for services rendered or otherwise.

f. After a nonpublicly traded corporation has been issued a 19 20 casino license pursuant to the provisions of this act, but prior to 21 the issuance or transfer of any security to any person required to 22 be but not yet qualified in accordance with the provisions of this 23 act, such corporation shall file a report of its proposed action 24 with the commission, and shall request the approval of the commission for the transaction. If the commission shall deny the 25 26 request, the corporation shall not issue or transfer such security. 27 After a publicly traded corporation has been issued a casino 28 license, such corporation shall file a report quarterly with the 29 commission, which report shall list all owners and holders of any 30 security issued by such corporate casino licensee.

31 g. Each corporation which has been issued a casino license 32 pursuant to the provisions of this act shall file a report of any 33 change of its corporate officers or members of its board of 34 directors with the commission. No officer or director shall be 35 entitled to exercise any powers of the office to which he was so 36 elected or appointed until qualified by the commission in 37 accordance with the provisions of this act.

38 (cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.9)

39 $1[41.] 2[\underline{44.}^1] \underline{43.}^2$ Section 106 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-106) 40 is amended to read as follows:

41 106. [Work Permits] Casino Employment. a. A casino licensee 42 shall not appoint or employ any person not registered or not 43 possessing a current and valid license permitting such appointment or employment. [A casino licensee shall, in 44 45 accordance with the rules of the commission, apply for a work 46 permit for each such employee, which shall be granted if the 47 employee is the holder of a current and valid registration or ·48 license which permits employment in the position to be held. 49 Each work permit shall be renewed annually in accordance with 50 rules and regulations promulgated by the commission.]

b. A casino licensee shall, within 24 hours of receipt of written
notice thereof, terminate the appointment or employment of any
person whose license or registration has been revoked or has
expired. A casino licensee shall comply in all respects with any
order of the commission imposing limitations or restrictions upon
the terms of employment or appointment in the course of any
investigation or hearing.

8 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.9)

9 $1[42.] 2[45.1] 44.^2$ Section 111 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-111) 10 is amended to read as follows:

111. Penalties for Willful Evasion of Payment of License Fees, 11 Other Acts and Omissions. Any person who willfully fails to 12 13 report, pay or truthfully account for and pay over any license fee or tax imposed by the provisions of this act, or willfully attempts 14 15 in any manner to evade or defeat any such license fee, tax, or payment thereof is guilty of a [misdemeanor] crime of the fourth 16 degree and subject to [not more than three years imprisonment or 17 18 a fine of] the penalties therefor, except that the amount of a fine 19 may be up to \$25,000.00 [or both], and in the case of a person 20 other than a natural person, [to a fine of not more than] the 21 amount of a fine may be up to \$100,000.00, and shall in addition 22 be liable for a penalty of three times the amount of the license 23 fee evaded and not paid, collected or paid over, which penalty 24 shall be assessed by the commission and collected in accordance 25 with the provisions of this act.

26 (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.111)

27 $1[43.] \ 2[\underline{46.1}] \ \underline{45.2}$ Section 112 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-112) 28 is amended to read as follows:

112. Unlicensed Casino Gambling Games Unlawful; Penalties. 29 30 a. Any person who violates the provisions of sections 80 or 82 or 31 of Article 7 of this act, or permits any gambling game, slot 32 machine or device to be conducted, operated, dealt or carried on in any casino by a person other than a person licensed for such 33 purposes pursuant to this act is guilty of a [misdemeanor] crime 34 of the fourth degree and subject to [a term of imprisonment of 35 36 not more than three years or a fine of] the penalties therefor, 37 except that the amount of a fine may be up to \$25,000.00 [or 38 both], and in the case of a person other than a natural person, [to 39 a fine of not more than] the amount of a fine may be up to 40 \$100,000.00.

b. Any licensee who places games or slot machines into play or 41 42 displays such games or slot machines in a casino without 43 authority of the commission to do so is guilty of a [misdemeanor] crime of the fourth degree and subject to [not more than three 44 45 years imprisonment or a fine of] the penalties therefor, except that the amount of a fine may be up to \$25,000.00 [or both], and 46 47 in the case of a person other than a natural person, [to a fine of not more than] the amount of a fine may be up to \$100,000.00. 48

c. Any person who operates, carries on or exposes for play any
gambling game, gaming device or slot machine after his license

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has expired and prior to the actual renewal thereof is guilty of a
[misdemeanor] crime of the fourth degree and subject to [not
more than three years imprisonment or a fine of] the penalties
therefor, except that the amount of a fine may be up to
\$25,000.00 [or both], and in the case of a person other than a
natural person, [to a fine of not more than] the amount of a fine
may be up to \$100,000.00.

(cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.112)

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1[44.] 2[47.1] 46.2 (New section) A person commits a 9 disorderly persons offense if, in playing a game in a licensed 10 casino, the person uses, or assists another in the use of, an 11 electronic, electrical or mechanical device which is designed, 12 constructed, or programmed specifically for use in obtaining an 13 14 advantage at playing any game in a licensed casino. A device 15 used by any person in violation of this section shall be subject to forfeiture pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.2C:64-1 et seq. 16

Each casino licensee shall post notice of this prohibition and
the penalties of this section in a manner determined by the
commission.

20 $1[45.] 2[\underline{48.1}] \underline{47.2}$ Section 115 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-115) 21 is amended to read as follows:

22 115. Cheating Games and Devices in a Licensed Casino;23 Penalty. a. It shall be unlawful:

(1) Knowingly to conduct, carry on, operate, deal or allow to
be conducted, carried on, operated or dealt any cheating or
thieving game or device; or

27 (2) Knowingly to deal, conduct, carry on, operate or expose for play any game or games played with cards, dice or any 28 29 mechanical device, or any combination of games or devices, 30 which have in any manner been marked or tampered with, or 31 placed in a condition, or operated in a manner, the result of 32 which tends to deceive the public or tends to alter the normal 33 random selection of characteristics or the normal chance of the 34 game which could determine or alter the result of the game.

b. It shall be unlawful knowingly to use or possess any marked 35 36 cards, loaded dice, plugged or tampered with machines or devices. 37 C. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a 38 [misdemeanor] crime of the fourth degree and subject to [not 39 more than three years imprisonment or a fine of] the penalties 40 therefor, except that the amount of a fine may be up to 41 \$25,000.00 [or both], and in the case of a person other than a 42 natural person, [to a fine of not more than] the amount of a fine 43 may be up to \$100,000.00.

44 (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.115)

45 $1[46.] 2[\underline{49.1}] \underline{48.2}$ Section 116 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-116) 46 is amended to read as follows:

47 116. Unlawful possession of device, equipment or other
48 material illegally manufactured, distributed, sold or serviced
49 Any person who possesses any device, equipment or material
50 which he knows has been manufactured, distributed, sold,

tampered with or serviced in violation of the provisions of this act is guilty of a [misdemeanor] <u>crime of the fourth degree</u> and subject to [not more than three years imprisonment or a fine of] <u>the penalties therefor, except that the amount of a fine may be</u> <u>up to</u> \$25,000.00 [or both], and in the case of a person other than a natural person, [to a fine of not more than] <u>the amount of a fine</u> may be up to \$100,000.00.

8 (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.116)

9 $1[47.] \ \frac{2[50.1]}{49.2}$ Section 117 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-117) 10 is amended to read as follows:

117. Employment Without License[,] or Registration[, or Work 11 Permit]; Penalty. a. Any person who, without obtaining the 12 13 requisite license or registration as provided in this act, works or is employed in a position whose duties would require licensing or 14 registration under the provisions of this act is guilty of a 15 16 [misdemeanor] crime of the fourth degree and subject to [not 17 more than three years' imprisonment or a fine of <u>the penalties</u> 18 therefor, except that the amount of a fine may be up to \$10,000.00 [or both], and in the case of a person other than a 19 20 natural person, [to a fine of not more than] the amount of a fine may be up to \$50,000.00. 21

22 Any person who employs or continues to employ an b. individual not duly licensed or registered under the provisions of 23 this act in a position whose duties require a license or 24 25 registration under the provisions of this act is guilty of a 26 [misdemeanor] crime of the fourth degree and subject to [not 27 more than three years' imprisonment or a fine of] the penalties 28 therefor, except that the amount of a fine may be up to \$10,000.00 [or both], and in the case of a person other than a 29 30 natural person, [to a fine of not more than] the amount of a fine may be up to \$50,000.00. 31

c. [Any person who employs an individual without obtaining a
work permit as required by this act, is guilty of a misdemeanor
and subject to a fine of not more than \$10,000.00, and in the case
of a person other than a natural person, to a fine of not more
than \$50,000.00.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c.)

37 d. Any person violating the provisions of subsection 101 e. of 38 this act shall be guilty of a [misdemeanor] crime of the third 39 degree, and shall be subject to [imprisonment for not more than 40 seven years or a fine of not more than] the penalties therefor, 41 except that the amount of a fine may be up to \$25,000.00[, or 42 both]. Any licensee permitting or allowing such a violation shall 43 also be punishable under this subsection, in addition to any other sanctions the commission may impose. 44

45 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.10)

46 1 [48.] 2 [51.] 50. 2 Section 118 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-118) 47 is amended to read as follows:

118. Regulations Requiring Exclusion or Rejection of Certain
Persons from Licensed Casinos; Unlawful Entry by Person Whose
Name Has Been Placed on List; Penalty. Any person whose name

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is on the list of persons promulgated by the commission pursuant to the provisions of section 71 of this act who knowingly enters the premises of a licensed casino is guilty of a [misdemeanor] disorderly persons offense¹, except that any person who has been convicted of this offense three times is guilty of a crime of the fourth degree for each subsequent offense¹.

7 (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.118)

8 1[49.] 2[52.1] 51.2 Section 119 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-119) 9 is amended to read as follows:

10 119. Gaming by Certain Persons Prohibited; Penalties; 11 Defenses. a. No person under the age at which a person is 12 authorized to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages, other 13 than a person licensed under the provisions of this act in the 14 regular course of his licensed activities, shall enter a licensed 15 casino except by way of passage to another room.

b. Any licensee or employee of a casino who allows a person under the age at which a person is authorized to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages to remain in a casino is <u>guilty of</u> a disorderly [person] <u>persons offense</u>; except that the establishment of all of the following facts by a licensee or employee allowing any such underage person to remain shall constitute a defense to any prosecution therefor:

(1) That the underage person falsely represented in writing
that he or she was at or over the age at which a person is
authorized to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages;

(2) That the appearance of the underage person was such that
an ordinary prudent person would believe him or her to be at or
over the age at which a person is authorized to purchase and
consume alcoholic beverages; and

30 (3) That the admission was made in good faith, relying upon 31 such written representation and appearance, and in the 32 reasonable belief that the underage person was actually at or 33 over the age at which a person is authorized to purchase and 34 consume alcoholic beverages.

35 (cf: P.L.1983, c.134, s.2)

36 $1[50.] 2[53.1] 52.^2$ Section 120 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-120) 37 is amended to read as follows:

120. Prohibited Political Contributions; Penalty. Any person 38 39 who makes or causes to be made a political contribution prohibited by the provisions of this act is guilty of a 40 41 [misdemeanor] <u>crime of the fourth degree</u> and subject to [not more than three years' imprisonment or a fine of] the penalties 42 therefor, except that the amount of a fine may be up to 43 \$100,000.00 [or both], and in the case of a person other than a 44 natural person, [to a fine of not more than] the amount of a fine 45 may be up to \$250,000.00. 46

47 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.12)

48 $2[^{1}54.] \frac{53.^{2}}{53.^{2}}$ Section 121 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-121) is 49 amended to read as follows:

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121. Authority of gaming licensee and agents to detain or

question persons suspected of cheating; immunity from liability;
 posted notice required.

a. Any licensee or its officers, employees or agents may
question any individual in the casino reasonably suspected of
violating any of the provisions of sections 113 through 116 of [this
act] P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-113 through 116) or of section ³[47]
46³ of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as
this bill). No licensee or its officers, employees or agents shall
be criminally or civilly liable by reason of any such questioning.

10 b. Any licensee or its officers, employees or agents who shall have probable cause for believing there has been a violation of 11 12 sections 113 through 116 of [this act] P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-113 through 116) or of section ³[47] 46³ of P.L. , c. (C.) (now 13 pending before the Legislature as this bill) in the casino by any 14 15 person may take such person into custody and detain him in the establishment in a reasonable manner for a reasonable length of 16 17 time, for the purpose of notifying law enforcement or commission 18 authorities. Such taking into custody and detention shall not 19 render such licensee or its officers, employees or agents 20 criminally or civilly liable for false arrest, false imprisonment, 21 slander or unlawful detention, unless such taking into custody or 22 detention is unreasonable under all of the circumstances.

c. No licensee or his officers, employees or agents shall be
entitled to any immunity from civil or criminal liability provided
in this section unless there is displayed in a conspicuous manner
in the casino a notice in bold face type clearly legible and in
substantially this form:

"Any gaming licensee or officer, employee or agent thereof
who has probable cause for believing that any person is violating
any of the provisions of the Casino Control Act prohibiting
cheating or swindling in gaming may detain such person in the
establishment for the purpose of notifying a police officer or
Casino Control Commission authorities."¹

34 (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.121)

35 $1[51.] 2[55.1] 54.^2$ Section 31 of P.L.1978, c.7 (C.5:12-130.1) is 36 amended to read as follows:

37 31. Institution of Conservatorship and Appointment of38 Conservators.

a. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Casino Control 39 40 Act, (1) upon the revocation of a casino license, (2) upon, in the discretion of the commission, the suspension of a casino license 41 42 or operation certificate for a period of in excess of 120 days, or 43 (3) upon the failure or refusal to renew a casino license, and 44 notwithstanding the pendency of any appeal therefrom, the commission [shall] may appoint and constitute a conservator to, 45 46 among other things, take over and into his possession and control 47 all the property and business of the licensee relating to the casino 48 and the approved hotel; provided, however, that this subsection 49 shall not apply in any instance in which the casino in the casino hotel facility for which the casino license had been issued has not 50

been, in fact, in operation and open to the public, and provided further that no person shall be appointed as conservator unless the commission is satisfied that he is individually qualified according to the standard applicable to casino key employees, except that casino experience shall not be necessary for qualification.

b. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1987, c.410.)

c. The commission may proceed in a conservatorship action in 8 a summary manner or otherwise and shall have the power to 9 appoint and remove one or more conservators and to enjoin the 10 former or suspended licensee from exercising any of its privileges 11 and franchises, from collecting or receiving any debts and from 12 13 paying out, selling, assigning or transferring any of its property to 14 other than a conservator, except as the commission may otherwise order. The commission shall have such further powers 15 16 as shall be appropriate for the fulfillment of the purposes of this 17 act.

d. Every conservator shall, before assuming his duties, execute
and file a bond for the faithful performance of his duties payable
to the commission in the office of the commission with such
surety or sureties and in such form as the commission shall
approve and in such amount as the commission shall prescribe.

e. When more than one conservator is appointed pursuant to this section, the provisions of this article applicable to one conservator shall be applicable to all; the debts and property of the former or suspended licensee may be collected and received by any of them; and the powers and rights conferred upon them shall be exercised by a majority of them.

29 <u>f. The commission shall require that the former or suspended</u> 30 <u>licensee purchase liability insurance, in an amount determined by</u> 31 <u>the commission, to protect a conservator from liability for any</u> 32 <u>acts or omissions of the conservator occurring during the duration</u> 33 <u>of the conservatorship which are reasonably related to, and</u> 34 <u>within the scope of, the conservator's duties.</u>

35 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.15)

¹[52.] 2 [<u>56.</u>¹] <u>55.</u>² (New section) Upon the appointment of a 36 37 conservator, the commission shall provide the conservator with 38 written instructions which enumerate the specific powers and 39 duties conferred by the commission on the conservator with 40 respect to the conservatorship. A conservator shall be under the 41 direct supervision of the commission and shall exercise only those 42 powers and perform only those duties expressly conferred on the 43 conservator by the commission. The commission may, at any 44 time after a conservatorship is established, modify the powers of the conservator by providing the conservator with a new set of 45 written instructions. 46

47 $1[53.] 2[57.1] 56.^2$ Section 32 of P.L.1978, c.7 (C:5:12-130.2) is 48 amended to read as follows:

- 49 32. Powers, Authorities and Duties of Conservators.
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a. Upon his appointment, the conservator shall become vested

1 with the title of all the property of the former or suspended 2 licensee relating to the casino and the approved hotel, subject to 3 any and all valid liens, claims, and encumbrances. The 4 conservator shall have the duty to conserve and preserve the 5 assets so acquired to the end that such assets shall continue to be 6 operated on a sound and businesslike basis.

b. Subject to the [general] <u>direct</u> supervision of the
commission and pursuant to <u>the written instructions of the</u>
<u>commission issued pursuant to section</u> ³[52] <u>55</u>³ <u>of P.L., c.</u>
(C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) and any
[specific] <u>other</u> order [it] <u>the commission</u> may deem appropriate,
a conservator shall have power to:

(1) Take into his possession all the property of the former or
suspended licensee relating to the casino and the approved hotel,
including its books, records and papers;

16 (2) Institute and defend actions by or on behalf of the former17 or suspended licensee;

(3) Settle or compromise with any debtor or creditor of the
former or suspended licensee, including any taxing authority;

(4) Continue the business of the former or suspended licensee
and to that end enter into contracts, borrow money and pledge,
mortgage or otherwise encumber the property of the former or
suspended licensee as security for the repayment of the
conservator's loans; provided, however, that such power shall be
subject to any provisions and restrictions in any existing credit
documents;

(5) Hire, fire and discipline employees;

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(6) Review all outstanding agreements to which the former or suspended licensee is a party that fall within the purview of section 104b. of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-104b.) and advise the commission as to which, if any, of such agreements should be the subject of scrutiny, examination or investigation by the commission; and

34 (7) Do all further acts as shall best fulfill the purposes of the35 Casino Control Act.

c. Except during the pendency of a suspension or during the 36 37 pendency of any appeal from any action or event set forth in section 31 a. of this amendatory and supplementary act which 38 39 precipitated the conservatorship or in instances in which the commission finds that the interests of justice so require, the 40 conservator, subject to the prior approval of and in accordance 41 with such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the 42 commission, and after appropriate prior consultation with the 43 former licensee as to the reasonableness of such terms and 44 conditions, shall endeavor to and be authorized to sell, assign, 45 convey or otherwise dispose of in bulk, subject to any and all 46 47 valid liens, claims, and encumbrances, all the property of a former licensee relating to the casino and the approved hotel only 48 49 upon prior written notice to all creditors and other parties in interest and only to such persons who shall be eligible to apply for 50

and shall qualify as a casino licensee in accordance with the
provisions of the Casino Control Act. Prior to any such sale, the
former licensee shall be granted, upon request, a summary review
by the commission of such proposed sale.

d. The commission may direct that the conservator, for an 5 6 indefinite period of time, retain the property and continue the business of the former or suspended licensee relating to the 7 casino and the approved hotel. During such period of time or any 8 period of operation by the conservator, he shall pay when due, 9 without in any way being personally liable, all secured obligations 10 and shall not be immune from foreclosure or other legal 11 proceedings to collect the secured debt, nor with respect thereto 12 shall such conservator have any legal rights, claims, or defenses 13 other than those which would have been available to the former 14 15 or suspended licensee.

e. A conservator shall cooperate fully with any investigation
 or inquiry conducted by the commission or the division during the
 conservatorship or after the discontinuation of the
 conservatorship.

20 (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.16)

21 $1[54.] 2[\underline{58.1}] \underline{57.2}$ Section 33 of P.L.1978, c.7 (C.5:12-130.3) is 22 amended to read as follows:

23 33. Compensation of Conservators and Others. In any 24 proceeding pursuant to section 31 of [this amendatory and 25 supplementary act] P.L.1978, c.7 (C.5:12-130.1), the commission 26 shall [allow], upon the appointment of a conservator, establish a 27 reasonable rate of compensation for the services, costs and 28 expenses in the conservatorship action of the conservator[,]. The 29 commission shall also designate the party or parties responsible 30 for the payment of compensation to the conservator and shall 31 direct that the responsible party or parties guarantee payment in 32 such manner as the commission shall deem appropriate. The rate 33 of compensation payable to the attorney for the conservator, the 34 appraiser, the auctioneer, the accountant and such other persons 35 the commission may appoint in connection with the as 36 conservatorship action shall be established by the commission at the time of appointment. All requests for payment by the 37 38 conservator and other persons appointed by the commission in 39 connection with the conservatorship shall be subject to the 40 approval of the commission, and the commission shall reduce any 41 fee which it deems to be excessive. Fees payable to the 42 conservator and expenses incurred in the course of the 43 conservatorship shall have priority for payment over all other debts or obligations of the former or suspended licensee, 44 including debts or obligations secured by the former or suspended 45. licensee's property. 46

47 (cf: P.L.1978, c.7, s.33)

48 $1[55.] 2[59.1] 58.^2$ Section 145 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-145) 49 is amended to read as follows:

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145. Casino revenue fund. a. There is hereby created and

established in the Department of the Treasury a separate special 1 account to be known as the "Casino Revenue Fund," into which 2 shall be deposited all revenues from the tax imposed by section 3 144 of this act [and]; the investment alternative tax imposed by 4 section 3 of P.L.1984, c.218 (C.5:12-144.1); and all penalties 5 levied and collected by the commission pursuant to P.L.1977, 6 c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.) and the regulations promulgated 7 8 thereunder, except that the first \$500,000 in penalties collected each fiscal year shall be paid into the General Fund for 9 appropriation by the Legislature to the Department of Health to 10 11 provide funds to the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New 12 Jersey.

b. The commission shall require at least monthly deposits by 13 the licensee of the tax established pursuant to subsection a. of 14 section 144 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-144), at such times, under 15 such conditions, and in such depositories as shall be prescribed by 16 the State Treasurer. The deposits shall be deposited to the credit 17 of the Casino Revenue Fund. The commission may require a 18 19 monthly report and reconciliation statement to be filed with it on 20 or before the 10th day of each month, with respect to gross 21 revenues and deposits received and made, respectively, during the 22 preceding month.

23 c. Moneys in the Casino Revenue Fund shall be appropriated 24 exclusively for reductions in property taxes, rentals, telephone, 25 gas, electric, and municipal utilities charges of eligible senior 26 citizens and disabled residents of the State, and for additional or expanded health services or benefits or transportation services or 27 28 benefits to eligible senior citizens and disabled residents, as shall 29 be provided by law. On or about March 15 and September 15 of 30 each year, the State Treasurer shall publish in at least 10 31 newspapers circulating generally in the State a report accounting 32 for the total revenues received in the Casino Revenue Fund and the specific amounts of money appropriated therefrom for 33 specific expenditures during the preceding six months ending 34 35 December 31 and June 30.

36 (cf: P.L.1984, c.218, s.4)

37 $1[56.] 2[\underline{60.1}] \underline{59.2}$ Section 150 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-150) 38 is amended to read as follows:

150. Penalties. a. Any licensee who shall fail to file his 39 40 return when due or to pay any tax or deposit when the same becomes due, as herein provided, shall be subject to such 41 42 penalties and interest as provided in the "State Tax Uniform Procedure Law," Subtitle 9 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes. If 43 44 the State Treasurer determines that the failure to comply with provision of this Article was excusable under the 45 any 46 circumstances, he may remit such part or all of the penalty as 47 shall be appropriate under such circumstances.

b. Any person failing to file a return, failing to pay the tax or
deposit, or filing or causing to be filed, or making or causing to
be made, or giving or causing to be given any return, certificate,

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affidavit, representation, information, testimony or statement 1 required or authorized by this act, or rules or regulations adopted 2 3 hereunder which is willfully false, or failing to keep any records 4 required by this act or rules and regulations adopted hereunder, shall, in addition to any other penalties herein or elsewhere 5 6 prescribed, be guilty of a [misdemeanor] a crime of the fourth 7 degree and subject to [not more than three years' imprisonment or a fine of] the penalties therefor, except that the amount of a 8 9 fine may be up to \$100,000.00 [or both].

c. Except as to those determinations required to be made by 10 the commission pursuant to section 149 of P.L.1977, c.110 11 (C.5:12-149), the certificate of the State Treasurer to the effect 12 13 that a tax or deposit has not been paid, that a return has not been 14 filed, that information has not been supplied, or that inaccurate information has been supplied pursuant to the provisions of this 15 act or rules or regulations adopted hereunder, shall be 16 presumptive evidence thereof. 17

d. If any part of any underpayment of tax required to be shown
on a return is due to fraud, there shall be added to the tax an
amount equal to 50% of the underpayment.

21 (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.22)

22 $2[161.] \underline{60.}^2$ Section 4 of P.L.1981, c.142 (C.52:13D-17.2) is 23 amended to read as follows:

24 4. a. As used in this section "person" means any State officer 25 or employee subject to financial disclosure by law or executive order and any other State officer or employee with responsibility 26 27 for matters affecting casino activity; any special State officer 28 or employee with responsibility for matters affecting casino 29 activity; the Governor; any member of the Legislature or any 30 full-time member of the Judiciary; any full-time professional employee of the Office of the Governor, or the Legislature; 31 32 members of the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority; 33 the head of a principal department; the assistant or deputy heads 34 of a principal department, including all assistant and deputy 35 commissioners; the head of any division of a principal department; any member of the governing body, or the municipal 36 37 judge or the municipal attorney of a municipality wherein a casino is located; any member of or attorney for the planning 38 39 board or zoning board of adjustment of a municipality wherein a casino is located, or any professional planner, or consultant 40 41 regularly employed or retained by such planning board or zoning board of adjustment. 42

43 b. No State officer or employee, nor any person, nor any member of the immediate family of any State officer or 44 45 employee, or person, nor any partnership, firm or corporation with which any such State officer or employee or person is 46 associated or in which he has an interest, nor any partner, 47 officer, director or employee while he is associated with such 48 49 partnership, firm, or corporation, shall hold, directly or indirectly, an interest in, or hold employment with, or represent, 50

appear for, or negotiate on behalf of, any holder of, or applicant 1 2 for, a casino license, or any holding or intermediary company 3 with respect thereto, in connection with any cause, application, 4 or matter. No special State officer or employee without responsibility for matters affecting casino activity, excluding 5 those serving in the Departments of Education, Health, Higher 6 7 Education and Human Services, shall hold, directly or indirectly, 8 an interest in, [or hold employment with,] or represent, appear 9 for, or negotiate on behalf of, any holder of, or applicant for, a 10 casino license, or any holding or intermediary company with respect thereto, in connection with any cause, application, or 11 matter. However, a special State officer or employee without 12 responsibility for matters affecting casino activity may hold 13 14 employment directly with any holder of or applicant for a casino license or any holding or intermediary company thereof and if so 15 employed may hold, directly or indirectly, an interest in, or 16 represent, appear for, or negotiate on behalf of, his employer, 17 18 except as otherwise prohibited by law.

c. No person or any member of his immediate family, nor any 19 partnership, firm or corporation with which such person is 20 21 associated or in which he has an interest, nor any partner, 22 officer, director or employee while he is associated with such 23 partnership, firm or corporation, shall, within two years next subsequent to the termination of the office or employment of 24 25 such person, hold, directly or indirectly, an interest in, or hold 26 employment with, or represent, appear for or negotiate on behalf 27 of, any holder of, or applicant for, a casino license in connection 28 with any cause, application or matter, or any holding or 29 intermediary company with respect to such holder of, or 30 applicant for, a casino license in connection with any phase of 31 casino development, permitting, licensure or any other matter 32 whatsoever related to casino activity. Nothing herein contained 33 shall alter or amend the post-employment restrictions applicable 34 to members and employees of the Casino Control Commission and employees and agents of the Division of Gaming Enforcement 35 36 pursuant to subsection b. (2) of section 59 and to section 60 of 37 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-59b. (2) and C.5:12-60).

38 d. This section shall not apply to the spouse of a State officer 39 or employee, which State officer or employee is without 40 responsibility for matters affecting casino activity, who becomes 41 the spouse subsequent to the State officer's or employee's 42 appointment or employment as a State officer or employee and 43 who is not individually or directly employed by a holder of, or 44 applicant for, a casino license, or any holding or intermediary 45 company.

e. The Joint Legislative Committee on Ethical Standards and
the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, as appropriate,
shall forthwith determine and publish, and periodically update, a
list of those positions in State government with responsibility for
matters affecting casino activity.

1 f. No person shall solicit or accept, directly or indirectly, any 2 complimentary service or discount from any casino applicant or 3 licensee which he knows or has reason to know is other than a 4 service or discount that is offered to members of the general 5 public in like circumstance.

g. No person shall influence, or attempt to influence, by use of 6 7 his official authority, the decision of the commission or the 8 investigation of the division in any application for licensure or in 9 any proceeding to enforce the provisions of this act or the regulations of the commission. Any such attempt shall be 10 promptly reported to the Attorney General; provided, however, 11 12 that nothing in this section shall be deemed to proscribe a request for information by any person concerning the status of any 13 application for licensure or any proceeding to enforce the 14 provisions of this act or the regulations of the commission. 15

h. Any person who willfully violates the provisions of this
section is a disorderly person and shall be subject to a fine not to
exceed \$500.00 or imprisonment not to exceed six months, or
both.¹

20 (cf: P.L.1984, c.218, s.36)

211[57.] $2[\underline{62.1}]$ $\underline{61.2}$ Sections 48 and 142 of P.L.1977, c.11022(C.5:12-48 and 5:12-142) are repealed.

²³ ¹[58.] ²[$\underline{63.}^{1}$] $\underline{62.}^{2}$ This act shall take effect immediately²[, ²⁴ but the change in compensation authorized pursuant to section 53 ²⁵ of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-53) as amended by section 10 of this ²⁶ act shall be inoperative until an increase takes effect which ²⁷ raises the amount of the annual salaries received by the heads of ²⁸ the principal departments above \$95,000]².

GAMBLING

Makes various changes in the laws governing the operation and
 regulation of casinos.

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STATEMENT

This bill makes numerous changes in the laws governing the operation and regulation of casinos. Among those changes are the following:

1) The Casino Control Commission is relieved from the responsibility of making judgments about the architecture and aesthetics of casino hotels.

2) New casino hotels must have at least 1,000 rooms, which would entitle them to casino space of up to 120,000 square feet. Existing casino hotels that add to their present number of rooms would be entitled to expanded casino space up to the same maximum.

3) Present statutory requirements for minimum indoor public space (e.g., restaurants and convention space) are eliminated. Existing hotels, however, must maintain such space for two years after the effective date of this act.

4) The ability of institutional investors (e.g., mutual funds and pension funds) to invest in casinos is facilitated in order to expand the sources of financing for casinos.

5) Greater flexibility is given to the casinos in both non-gaming operations (e.g., the elimination of commission review of non-gaming advertising) and in gaming operations (e.g., the elimination of statutory requirements requiring a minimum amount of space for various games).

6) Two new games, red dog and pai gow, are authorized.

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7) Weekend and holiday gaming hours are expanded from 20 to 22, and the commission is empowered to authorize 24-hour gaming on certain occasions.

8) Licensure as a casino employee is required only of employees involved in gaming-related activities. Security employees who work solely in the hotel and not the casino are required to be registered rather than licensed.

9) Certain checks, such as bank-to-bank checks and personal checks of up to \$2,500, are permitted to be accepted and cashed by casinos.

10) Cash as well as the presently authorized noncash gifts are permitted as complimentaries.

11) The use of an electronic device by a player to gain advantage while playing a game is prohibited.

12) The appointment of a conservator for a casino in trouble is made permissive rather than mandatory in order to give the commission more flexibility in dealing with such circumstances, and the compensation and the mode of operation of the conservator are clarified.

13) If and when the increase in the salaries of cabinet officers occurs, the salaries of the commissioners will become comparable to those of Judges of the Superior Court. This will restore the parity which previously existed and served as the basis for the commissioners' salaries. 14) A person may request to be put on a list of persons to whom the extension of credit by a casino is prohibited.

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15) Moneys from penalties levied and collected by the commission are to be paid into the Casino Revenue Fund, except that the first \$500,000 collected each fiscal year shall be used to support the Council on Compulsive Gambling in New Jersey.

SENATE INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

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STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 3279

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 25, 1991

The Senate Institutions, Health and Welfare Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 3279 with committee amendments.

As amended by committee, this bill makes numerous changes in the laws governing the operation and regulation of casinos. Among those changes are the following:

1) Three new games, red dog, pai gow and sic bo, are authorized.

2) Greater flexibility is given to the casinos in both non-gaming operations (e.g., the elimination of commission review of non-gaming advertising) and in gaming operations (e.g., the elimination of statutory requirements requiring a minimum amount of space for various games).

3) The formula for determining the maximum allowable casino size is changed and is based on the number of hotel rooms of a licensee. New casino hotels must have at least 500 rooms, which would entitle them to casino space of up to 50,000 square feet. A casino could add an additional 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 rooms over 500, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet. Existing casino hotels that add to their present number of rooms would be entitled to expanded casino space of 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 rooms over 500, up to the same maximum of 200,000 square feet.

4) Present statutory requirements for minimum indoor public space (e.g., restaurants and convention space) are eliminated; however, existing hotels must maintain such space for two years after the effective date of this bill.

5) The ability of institutional investors (e.g., investment companies and pension funds) to invest in casinos is facilitated in order to expand the sources of financing for casinos.

6) Licensure as a casino employee is required only of employees involved in gaming-related activities. Security employees who work solely in the hotel and not the casino are required to be registered rather than licensed.

7) The commission is empowered to authorize 24-hour gaming on certain occasions.

8) The commission is relieved of the responsibility of making judgments about the architecture and aesthetics of casino hotels.

9) Casinos can increase their space allotment for slot machines from 30% to 42% and 25% to 32%, where applicable. The increase must be phased-in over a three-year period.

10) Certain checks, such as bank-to-bank checks and personal checks of up to \$2,500, are permitted to be accepted and cashed by casinos.

11) A person may request the commission to put his name on a list of persons to whom the extension of credit by a casino is prohibited.

12) Cash, as well as the presently authorized noncash gifts, is permitted as a complimentary, except that the commission is directed to establish a maximum amount of cash gifts that a licensee may provide to a patron each year.

13) The use of an electronic device by a player to gain advantage while playing a game is prohibited.

14) The appointment of a conservator for a casino in trouble is made permissive rather than mandatory in order to give the commission more flexibility in dealing with such circumstances, and the compensation and the mode of operation of the conservator are clarified.

15) Moneys from penalties levied and collected by the commission are to be paid into the Casino Revenue Fund, except that the first \$500,000 collected each fiscal year shall be used to support the Council on Compulsive Gambling in New Jersey.

16) If and when the increase in the salaries of cabinet officers occurs, the salaries of the commissioners of the Casino Control Commission will become comparable to those of Judges of the Superior Court. This will restore the parity which previously existed and served as the basis for the commissioners' salaries.

The committee amended the bill to:

- Add the game of sic bo to the list of authorized games (section 2);

- Permit the Casino Control Commission to authorize the operation of new games for a trial period of up to six months and to recommend to the Legislature and the Governor that a game be added to the statutory list of games (section 3);

- Clarify the language regarding the identification of employees who would fall within the category of "casino employees," that is, a casino employee shall include a person whose duties "predominantly" involve the maintenance and operation of gaming activity or equipment and assets associated therewith (section 5);

- Add technical language to the definition of "game," that is, that a game can be played with tiles or dominoes, as well as with dice or cards, to take into account the addition of the games of pai gow and sic bo (section 9);

- Refine the definition of "institutional investor" and clarify the provisions governing the waiver of qualification for institutional investors (sections 11 and 27);

- Authorize the commission to determine whether an application for prequalification (in order to hold the securities of a casino licensee) is to be accepted and require an applicant for prequalification to pay the costs of the investigation unless a casino licensee agrees to pay (section 21);

- Change the formula for casino space so that a 500 hotel room facility authorizes 50,000 square feet of casino space. Provision is made for an additional 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 rooms above 500, up to a maximum casino space of 200,000 square feet for existing and new casino hotels (section 24); 05/09/91wlb 000728

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SENATE Amendments (Proposed by Senator Codey)

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SENATE, No. 3279 (1R)

ADOPTED

May -9 1991

(Sponsored by Senator CODEY)

OMIT SECTION 12 IN ITS ENTIRETY

RENUMBER SECTIONS 13 THROUGH 62 AS SECTIONS 12 THROUGH 61

REPLACE SECTION 63 TO READ:

¹[58.] ²[$\underline{63.1}$] $\underline{62.2}$ This act shall take effect immediately²[, but the change in compensation authorized pursuant to section 53 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-53) as amended by section 10 of this act shall be inoperative until an increase takes effect which raises the amount of the annual salaries received by the heads of the principal departments above \$95,000]².

STATEMENT

This amendment removes from the bill the provisions that would establish the salary of each commissioner of the Casino Control Commission at an amount equal to that for a Judge of the Superior Court and the salary of the chairman at an amount equal to that for a Judge of the Superior Court, Appellate Division. 03/25/91wlb 001568

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SENATE, No 3279 (Sponsored by Senator Codey)

REPLACE TITLE TO READ:

AN ACT concerning casino gambling, amending P.L.1978, c.7 ¹[and], P.L.1981, c.142 and¹ P.L.1987, c.409, ¹[and],¹ amending and supplementing P.L.1977, c.110¹, and repealing sections 48 and 142 of P.L.1977, c.110¹.

REPLACE SECTION 2 TO READ:

2. Section 5 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-5) is amended to read as follows:

"Authorized 5. "Authorized Game" or Gambling Game"--Roulette, baccarat, blackjack, craps, big six wheel, slot machines, minibaccarat, red dog, pai gow, and ¹sic bo;¹ any variations or composites of such games, provided that such variations or composites are found by the commission suitable for casino use after an appropriate test or experimental period under such terms and conditions as the commission may deem appropriate 1; and any other game which is authorized by the commission pursuant to section 3 of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill)¹. "Authorized game" or "authorized gambling game" includes gaming tournaments in which players compete against one another in one or more of the games listed herein or in approved variations or composites thereof if the tournaments are authorized by the commission. (cf: P.L.1985, c.350, s.1)

INSERT NEW SECTION 3 TO READ:

¹3. (New section) The commission may authorize the operation, for a trial period of not more than six months, of any game in addition to the games authorized by statute or by the commission prior to the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. <u>, c. (C.). At any time during the</u> trial period or at the conclusion of the trial period, the commission may recommend to the Legislature and the Governor that authorization for that game be provided by statute. No game authorized by the commission pursuant to this section shall continue beyond six months unless authorized by enactment of appropriate legislation.¹

RENUMBER SECTION 3 AS SECTION 4

¹[4.] <u>5.</u>¹ Section 7 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-7) is amended to read as follows:

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7. "Casino Employee" -- Any natural person employed in the operation of a licensed casino, including, without limitation, boxmen; dealers or croupiers; floormen; machine mechanics; casino security employees; count room personnel; cage personnel; slot machine and slot booth personnel; collection personnel; casino surveillance personnel; and data processing personnel; or any other natural person whose employment duties [require or authorize access to restricted casino areas, including, without limitation, appropriate maintenance personnel; waiters and waitresses; and secretaries] ¹predominantly¹ involve the maintenance or operation of gaming activity or equipment and assets associated therewith or who, in the judgment of the commission, is so regularly required to work in a restricted casino area in gaming-related activities that licensure as a casino employee is appropriate.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.353, s.1)

RENUMBER SECTIONS 5 THROUGH 7 SECTIONS THROUGH 8

INSERT NEW SECTION 9 TO READ:

¹9. Section 21 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-21) is amended to read as follows:

21. "Game" or "gambling game" -- Any banking or percentage game located exclusively within the casino played with cards, dice, tiles, dominoes, or any electronic, electrical, or mechanical device or machine for money, property, or any representative of value.1

(cf: P.L.1979, c.282, s.3)

RENUMBER SECTION 8 AS SECTION 10

REPLACE SECTION 9 TO READ:

"Institutional investor"--Any ¹[9.] <u>11.</u>¹ (New section) ¹retirement fund administered by a public agency for the exclusive benefit of¹ federal, state, or local ¹[retirement fund] public employees¹; ¹[mutual fund] investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. §80a-1 et seq.); collective investment trust organized by banks under Part Nine of the Rules of the Comptroller of the Currency¹; closed end investment trust; ¹chartered or licensed¹ life insurance company¹[;] or¹ property and casualty insurance company; banking and other ¹chartered or¹ licensed lending institution; investment advisor registered under The Investment Advisors Act of 1940 $1(15 \text{ U.S.C. }80b-1 \text{ et seq.})^1$; and such other persons as the commission may determine for reasons consistent with the policies of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.).

RENUMBER SECTIONS 10 THROUGH 18 AS SECTIONS 12 THROUGH 20

REPLACE SECTION 19 TO READ:

 $1_{[19.]}$ <u>21.</u>¹ Section 80 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-80) is amended to read as follows:

80. General Provisions. a. It shall be the affirmative responsibility of each applicant and licensee to establish by clear and convincing evidence his individual qualifications, and for a casino license the qualifications of each person who is required to be qualified under this act as well as the qualifications of the facility in which the casino is to be located.

b. Any applicant, licensee, registrant, or any other person who must be qualified pursuant to this act shall provide all information required by this act and satisfy all requests for information pertaining to qualification and in the form specified by the commission. All applicants, registrants, and licensees shall waive liability as to the State of New Jersey, and its instrumentalities and agents, for any damages resulting from any disclosure or publication in any manner, other than a willfully unlawful disclosure or publication, of any material or information acquired during inquiries, investigations or hearings.

c. All applicants, licensees, registrants, intermediary companies, and holding companies shall consent to inspections, searches and seizures and the supplying of handwriting exemplars as authorized by this act and regulations promulgated hereunder.

d. All applicants, licensees, registrants, and any other person who shall be qualified pursuant to this act shall have the continuing duty to provide any assistance or information required by the commission or division, and to cooperate in any inquiry or investigation conducted by the division and any inquiry, investigation, or hearing conducted by the commission. If, upon issuance of a formal request to answer or produce information, evidence or testimony, any applicant, licensee, registrant, or any other person who shall be qualified pursuant to this act refuses to comply, the application, license, registration or qualification of such person may be denied or revoked by the commission.

e. No applicant or licensee shall give or provide, offer to give or provide, directly or indirectly, any compensation or reward or any percentage or share of the money or property played or received through gaming activities, except as authorized by this act, in consideration for obtaining any license, authorization, permission or privilege to participate in any way in gaming operations.

f. Each applicant or person who must be qualified under this act shall be photographed and fingerprinted for identification and investigation purposes in accordance with procedures established by the commission. g. All licensees, all registrants, all persons required to be qualified under this act, and all persons employed by a casino service industry licensed pursuant to this act, shall have a duty to inform the commission or division of any action which they believe would constitute a violation of this act. No person who so informs the commission or the division shall be discriminated against by an applicant, licensee or registrant because of the supplying of such information.

h. Any person who must be qualified pursuant to the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.) in order to hold the securities of a casino licensee or any holding or intermediary company of a casino licensee may apply for qualification status prior to the acquisition of any such securities. ¹The commission may determine to accept such an application upon a finding that there is a reasonable likelihood that, if qualified, the applicant will obtain and hold securities of a licensee sufficient to require qualification.¹ Such an applicant shall be subject to the provisions of this section ¹and shall pay for the costs of all investigations and proceedings in relation to the application unless the applicant provides to the commission an agreement with one or more casino licensees which states that the licensee or licensees will pay those costs¹.

(cf: P.L.1981, c.503, s.9)

RENUMBER SECTIONS 20 AND 21 AS SECTIONS 22 AND 23

REPLACE SECTION 22 TO READ:

¹[22.] <u>24.</u>¹ Section 83 of P.L. 1977, c.110 (C.5:12-83) is amended to read as follows:

83. Approved Hotel. <u>a.</u> An approved hotel for purposes of this_ act shall be a hotel providing facilities in accordance with this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the commission to determine the suitability of facilities as provided in this act, and nothing in this section shall be construed to require a casino to be ¹[larger than the minimum size or]¹ smaller than the maximum size herein provided.

[An approved hotel shall, in accordance with the following table:

a. Contain qualifying sleeping units as defined in section 27 of this act;

b. Contain qualifying indoor public space available and of the sort regularly used for conventions, exhibits, meetings, banquets and similar functions, and for dining, entertainment, and sports facilities, including restaurants, bars, lounges, show theaters, shops, dance halls, swimming facilities, and tennis facilities but excluding lobbies, casinos, and parking areas; and

c. Contain a single casino room as defined in section

6 of this act, in accordance with the minimum number of qualifying sleeping units and minimum amount of qualifying indoor public space as provided in the following chart, but, except as hereinafter provided, in no event may a casino room be permitted to exceed the maximum square footage stated:

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Minimum Number of Qualifying Sleeping Units	Minimum Square Footage of Qualifying Indoor Public Space Sq. Ft.	Maximum Square Footage-of Casino Room Sq. Ft.	
500	65,000	30,000	
750	80,000	40,000	
1,000	95,000	50,000	
1,250	110,000	60,000	
1,500	125,000	70,000	
1,750	140,000	85,000	

b. (1) In the case of a casino hotel in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., c., an approved hotel shall:

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(a) contain at least the number of qualifying sleeping units, as defined in section 27 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), which it has on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, except that those units may be consolidated and reconfigured in order to form suites so long as there remain at least 500 qualifying sleeping units; and

(b) contain a casino of not more than the amount of casino space authorized on the basis of the provisions of this section which were in effect on the day before the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act and applicable to that casino at that time, ¹[except that the casino space may be increased if additional qualifying sleeping units are added as provided hereafter in this paragraph] unless the number of qualifying sleeping units under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph and the number of any qualifying sleeping units added after the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act permit an increase on the following basis: 50,000 square feet for the first 500 qualifying sleeping units and 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 qualifying sleeping units above 500, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet. No casino hotel in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act shall be required to reduce the amount of its casino space below the amount authorized as of the day before the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act unless the number of qualifying sleeping units is reduced below the number required in subparagraph (a) of this paragraph or, during the two years after that effective date, the amount of qualifying indoor public space is reduced in violation of section 25 of this act¹.

¹[The casino space in such an approved hotel may be increased following the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act on the basis of the following formula:

(number of hotel rooms added) (amount of casino space that may be added)

(1,000 - number of hotel rooms on that effective date)

(120,000 – amount of casino space on that effective date)]¹

For the purpose of increasing casino space, an agreement approved by the commission for the addition of qualifying sleeping units within two years after ¹[approval of the agreement] the commencement of gaming operations in the additional casino space¹ shall be deemed an addition of those rooms, but if the agreement is not fulfilled due to conditions within the control of the casino licensee, the casino licensee shall close the additional casino space or any portion thereof as directed by the commission.

The calculation of the number of qualifying sleeping units added with respect to any such casino hotel shall not include any qualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room in existence in Atlantic City on the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or room is offered or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or any replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date.

(2) In the case of a hotel in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. , c. , in which a licensed casino was located and operated prior to, but not as of, that effective date, and in which a casino is reestablished after that effective date, an approved hotel shall:

(a) contain at least the number of qualifying sleeping units, as defined in section 27 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), which it had on the date the casino ceased operations prior to the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, except that those units may be consolidated and reconfigured in order to form suites so long as there remain at least 500 qualifying sleeping units; and

(b) contain a casino of not more than the amount of casino space the casino had on the date it ceased operations prior to ¹[that] the¹ effective date ¹of this amendatory and supplementary act¹, ¹[except that the casino space may be increased if additional qualifying sleeping units are added as provided hereafter in this paragraph] unless the number of qualifying sleeping units under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph and the number of any qualifying sleeping units added after the effective date of this amendatory and SINDER ST

supplementary act permit an increase on the following basis: 50,000 square feet for the first 500 qualifying sleeping units and 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 qualifying sleeping units above 500, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet. No casino hotel which operates pursuant to this paragraph shall be required to reduce the amount of its casino space below the amount it had on the date it ceased operations unless the number of qualifying sleeping units is reduced below the number required in subparagraph (a) of this paragraph or, during the two years after the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, the amount of qualifying indoor public space is reduced in violation of section 25 of this act¹.

¹[<u>The casino space in such an approved hotel may be increased</u> <u>following the effective date of this amendatory and</u> <u>supplementary act on the basis of the following</u> <u>formula:</u>

(number of hotel rooms added)

(amount of casino space that may be added)

(1,000 – number of hotel rooms on date casino ceased operations) (120,000 - amount of casino space on date casino ceased operations)]¹

For the purpose of increasing casino space, an agreement approved by the commission for the addition of qualifying sleeping units within two years after ¹[approval of the agreement] the commencement of gaming operations in the additional casino space¹ shall be deemed an addition of those rooms, but if the agreement is not fulfilled due to conditions within the control of the casino licensee, the casino licensee shall close the additional casino space or any portion thereof as directed by the commission.

The calculation of the number of qualifying sleeping units added with respect to any such hotel shall not include any gualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room in existence in Atlantic City on the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or room is offered or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or any replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date.

c. In the case of a casino hotel not in operation prior to or on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, $^{1}P.L.$, c. (G.), 1 an approved hotel shall contain at least $^{1}[1,000]$ 500¹ qualifying sleeping units, as defined in section 27 of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), and a single casino room of not more than $^{1}[120,000]$ 50,000¹ square feet ¹, except that for each additional 100 qualifying sleeping units _______ above 500, the maximum size of the casino room may be increased by 10,000 square feet, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet¹. The calculation of the number of qualifying sleeping units with respect to any such casino hotel shall not include any qualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room in existence in Atlantic City on the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or room is offered or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or any replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date.

d. Once a hotel is initially approved, the commission shall thereafter rely on the certification of the casino licensee with regard to the number of rooms and, when applicable, the amount of qualifying indoor public space and shall permit rehabilitation, renovation and alteration of any part of the approved hotel even if the rehabilitation, renovation, or alteration will mean that the casino licensee does not temporarily meet the requirements of subsection c. so long as the licensee certifies that the rehabilitation, renovation, or alteration shall be completed within one year.

e. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1987, c.352.)

f. [If an approved hotel shall provide more than the minimum number of qualifying sleeping units as hereinbefore defined than is required by subsection c. hereof, the maximum casino space may be permitted to increase by 40 square feet for each such excess sleeping unit.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L. , c. .)

g. [If a licensed facility shall provide more qualifying indoor public space as hereinbefore defined than is required by subsection c. hereof, the maximum allowable casino space may be permitted to increase by a figure representing one-half of the amount of such excess qualifying indoor public space, including space serving as kitchen support facilities.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L. , c. .)

h. [In no event may the total of the increased allowable casino space be permitted to exceed a figure representing the original maximum casino size.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c. .)

i. The commission shall not impose any criteria or requirements regarding the contents of the hotel, including [qualifying] indoor public space, in addition to the criteria and requirements expressly specified in the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.); provided, however, that the commission shall be authorized to require each casino licensee to establish and maintain an approved hotel which is in all respects a superior, first-class facility of exceptional quality which will help restore Atlantic City as a resort, tourist and convention destination.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.352, s.1)

RENUMBER SECTION 23 AS SECTION 25

REPLACE SECTION 24 TO READ:

¹[24.] <u>26.</u>¹ Section 84 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-84) is amended to read as follows:

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84. Casino License--Applicant Requirements. Any applicant for a casino license must produce information, documentation and assurances concerning the following qualification criteria:

a. Each applicant shall produce such information, documentation and assurances concerning financial background and resources as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence the financial stability, integrity and responsibility of the applicant, including but not limited to bank references, business and personal income and disbursement schedules, tax returns and other reports filed with governmental agencies, and business and personal accounting and check records and ledgers. In addition, each applicant shall, in writing, authorize the examination of all bank accounts and records as may be deemed necessary by the commission or the division.

applicant shall produce such information, h. Each documentation and assurances as may be necessary to establish by clear and convincing evidence the integrity of all financial backers, investors, mortgagees, bond holders, and holders of indentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, either in effect or proposed, which bears any relation to the casino proposal submitted by the applicant or applicants; provided, however, that this section shall not apply to banking or other licensed lending institutions exempted from the qualification requirements of subsections c. and d. of section 85 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-85) and institutional investors waived from the qualification requirements of those subsections pursuant to the provisions of subsection f. of section 85 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-85). Any such banking or licensed lending institution or institutional investor shall, however, produce for the commission ¹or the division¹ upon ¹[its]¹ request any document or information which bears any relation to the casino proposal submitted by the applicant or applicants. The integrity of financial sources shall be judged upon the same standards as the applicant. In addition, the applicant shall produce whatever information, documentation or assurances as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence the adequacy of financial resources both as to the completion of the casino proposal and the operation of the casino.

c. Each applicant shall produce such information, documentation and assurances as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence the applicant's good character, honesty and integrity. Such information shall include, without limitation, information pertaining to family, habits, character, reputation, criminal and arrest record, business activities, financial affairs, and business, professional and personal associates, covering at least the 10-year period immediately preceding the filing of the application. Each applicant shall notify the commission of any civil judgments obtained against any such applicant pertaining to antitrust or security regulation laws of the federal government, of this State or of any other state, jurisdiction, province or country. In addition, each applicant shall produce letters of reference from law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction in the applicant's place of residence and principal place of business, which letters of reference shall indicate that such law enforcement agencies do not have any pertinent information concerning the applicant, or if such law enforcement agency does have information pertaining to the applicant, shall specify what the information is. If the applicant has conducted gaming operations in a jurisdiction which permits such activity, the applicant shall produce letters of reference from the gaming or casino enforcement or control agency which shall specify the experiences of such agency with the applicant, his associates, and his gaming operation; provided, however, that if no such letters are received within 60 days of request therefor, the applicant may submit a statement under oath that he is or was during the period such activities were conducted in good standing with such gaming or casino enforcement or control agency.

d. Each applicant shall produce such information, documentation and assurances as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence that the applicant has sufficient business ability and casino experience as to establish the likelihood of creation and maintenance of a successful, efficient casino operation. The applicant shall produce the names of all proposed casino key employees as they become known and a description of their respective or proposed responsibilities, and a full description of security systems and management controls proposed for the casino and related facilities.

applicant shall e. Each produce such information. documentation and assurances to establish to the satisfaction of the commission the suitability of the casino and related facilities subject to subsection i. of section 83 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-83) and its proposed location will not adversely affect casino operations or overall environmental conditions. Each applicant shall submit an impact statement which shall include. without limitation, architectural and site plans which establish that the proposed facilities comply in all respects with the requirements of this act, the requirements of the master plan and zoning and planning ordinances of Atlantic City, without any use variance

from the provisions thereof, and the requirements of the "Coastal Area Facility Review Act," P.L.1973, c.185 (C.13:19-1 et seq.), a market impact study which analyzes the adequacy of the patron market and the effect of the proposal on such market and on the existing casino facilities licensed under this act; and an analysis of the effect of the proposal on the overall environment, including, without limitation, economic, social, demographic and competitive conditions as well as the natural resources of Atlantic City and the State of New Jersey.

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(cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.7)

REPLACE SECTION 25 TO READ:

¹[25.] <u>27.</u>¹ Section 85 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-85) is amended to read as follows:

85. Additional Requirements. a. In addition to other information required by this act, a corporation applying for a casino license shall provide the following information:

(1) The organization, financial structure and nature of all businesses operated by the corporation; the names and personal employment and criminal histories of all officers, directors and principal employees of the corporation; the names of all holding, intermediary and subsidiary companies of the corporation; and the organization, financial structure and nature of all businesses operated by such of its holding, intermediary and subsidiary companies as the commission may require, including names and personal employment and criminal histories of such officers, directors and principal employees of such corporations and companies as the commission may require;

(2) The rights and privileges acquired by the holders of different classes of authorized securities of such corporations and companies as the commission may require, including the names, addresses and amounts held by all holders of such securities;

(3) The terms upon which securities have been or are to be offered;

(4) The terms and conditions of all outstanding loans, mortgages, trust deeds, pledges or any other indebtedness or security devices utilized by the corporation;

(5) The extent of the equity security holding in the corporation of all officers, directors and underwriters, and their remuneration in the form of salary, wages, fees or otherwise;

(6) Names of persons other than directors and officers who occupy positions specified by the commission or whose compensation exceeds an amount determined by the commission, and the amount of their compensation;

(7) A description of all bonus and profit-sharing arrangements;

(8) Copies of all management and service contracts; and

(9) A listing of stock options existing or to be created.

b. If a corporation applying for a casino license is, or if a corporation holding a casino license is to become, a subsidiary, each holding company and each intermediary company with respect thereto must, as a condition of the said subsidiary acquiring or retaining such license, as the case may be:

(1) Qualify to do business in the State of New Jersey; and

(2) If it is a corporation, register with the commission and furnish the commission with all the information required of a corporate licensee as specified in subsection a. (1), (2) and (3) of this section and such other information as the commission may require; or

(3) If it is not a corporation, register with the commission and furnish the commission with such information as the commission may prescribe. [The commission may, in its discretion, make such investigations concerning the officers, directors, underwriters, security holders, partners, principals, trustees or persons owning or beneficially holding any interest in any holding company or intermediary company as it deems necessary, either at the time of initial registration or at any time thereafter.]

c. No corporation shall be eligible to hold a casino license unless each officer; each director; each person who directly or indirectly holds any beneficial interest or ownership of the securities issued by the corporation; any person who in the opinion of the commission has the ability to control the corporation or elect a majority of the board of directors of that corporation, other than a banking or other licensed lending institution which <u>makes a loan or</u> holds a mortgage or other lien acquired in the ordinary course of business; each principal employee; and any lender, underwriter, agent, employee of the corporation, or other person whom the commission may consider appropriate for approval or qualification would, but for residence, individually be qualified for approval as a casino key employee pursuant to the provisions of this act.

d. No corporation which is a subsidiary shall be eligible to receive or hold a casino license unless each holding and intermediary company with respect thereto:

(1) If it is a corporation, shall comply with the provisions of subsection c. of this section as if said holding or intermediary company were itself applying for a casino license; provided, however, that the commission with the concurrence of the director may waive compliance with the provisions of subsection c. hereof on the part of a publicly-traded corporation which is a holding company as to any officer, director, lender, underwriter, agent or employee thereof, or person directly or indirectly holding a beneficial interest or ownership of

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r or indirectly ownership of the securities of such corporation, where the commission and the director are satisfied that such officer, director, lender, underwriter, agent or employee is not significantly involved in the activities of the corporate licensee, and in the case of security holders, does not have the ability to control the publicly-traded corporation or elect one or more directors thereof; or

(2) If it is not a corporation, shall comply with the provisions of subsection e. of this section as if said company were itself applying for a casino license.

e. Any noncorporate applicant for a casino license shall provide the information required in subsection a. of this section in such form as may be required by the commission. No such applicant shall be eligible to hold a casino license unless each person who directly or indirectly holds any beneficial interest or ownership in the applicant, or who in the opinion of the commission has the ability to control the applicant, or whom the commission may consider appropriate for approval or qualification, would, but for residence, individually be qualified for approval as a casino key employee pursuant to the provisions of this act.

f. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections c. and d. of this section, ¹and in the absence of a prima facie showing by the director that there is any cause to believe that the institutional investor may be found unqualified,¹ an institutional investor holding either (1) under 10% of the equity securities of a casino licensee's holding or intermediary companies, or (2) debt securities of a casino licensee's holding or intermediary <u>companies 1, or another subsidiary company of a casino</u> licensee's holding or intermediary companies which is related in any way to the financing of the casino licensee,1 where the securities represent a percentage of ¹any issue of ¹ the company's debt not exceeding 20% shall be granted a waiver of qualification if ¹such securities are publicly traded and¹ its holdings of such securities were purchased for investment purposes only and upon request by the commission it files with the commission a certified statement to the effect that it has no intention of influencing or affecting the affairs of the issuer, the casino licensee or its holding or intermediary companies; provided, however, that it shall be permitted to vote on matters put to the vote of the outstanding security holders. The commission may grant a waiver of qualification to an institutional investor holding a higher percentage of such securities upon a showing of good cause and if the conditions specified above are met. ¹Any institutional investor granted a waiver under this subsection which subsequently determines to influence or affect the affairs of the issuer shall provide not less than 30 days' notice of such intent and shall file with the commission an application for qualification before taking any action

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that may influence or affect the affairs of the issuer; provided, however, that it shall be permitted to vote on matters put to the vote of the outstanding security holders.¹ If an institutional investor changes its investment intent, or if the commission finds reasonable cause to believe that the institutional investor may be found unqualified, no action other than divestiture shall be taken by such investor with respect to its security holdings until there has been compliance with the provisions of P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.12 et seq.), including the execution of a trust agreement.

g. If at any time the commission finds that an institutional investor holding any security ¹[of a casino licensee or]¹ of a holding or intermediary company ¹[with respect thereto] of a casino licensee, or, where relevant, of another subsidiary company of a holding or intermediary company of a casino licensee which is related in any way to the financing of the casino licensee,¹ fails to comply with the terms of subsection f. of this section, or if at any time the commission finds that, by reason of the extent or nature of its holdings, an institutional investor is in a position to exercise such a substantial impact upon the controlling interests of a licensee that gualification of the institutional investor is necessary to protect the public interest, the commission may, in accordance with the provisions of ¹subsections a. through e. of this section or ¹ subsections d. and e. of section 105 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-105), take any necessary action to protect the public interest, including requiring such an institutional investor to be qualified pursuant to the provisions of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.).

(cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.9)

RENUMBER SECTION 26 AS SECTION 28

INSERT NEW SECTION 29 TO READ:

¹29. Section 88 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-88) is amended to read as follows:

88. Renewal of Casino Licenses a. Subject to the power of the commission to deny, revoke, or suspend licenses, any casino license in force shall be renewed by the commission for the next succeeding license period upon proper application for renewal and payment of license fees and taxes as required by law and the regulations of the commission. The license period for a renewed casino license shall be one year for the first two renewal periods succeeding the initial issuance of a casino license pursuant to section 87 of P.L.1977, c. 110 (C. 5:12-87). Thereafter, a casino license shall be renewed for a period of <u>up to</u> two years, but the commission may reopen licensing hearings at any time. In addition, the commission shall reopen licensing hearings at any time at the request of the Division of Gaming Enforcement in the Department of Law and Public Safety. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the commission may, for the purpose of facilitating its administration of this act, renew the casino license of the holders of licenses initially opening after January 1, 1981 for a period of one year; provided, however, the renewal period for those particular casino licenses may not be adjusted more than once pursuant to this provision. The commission shall act upon any such application prior to the date of expiration of the current license.

b. Application for renewal shall be filed with the commission no later than 90 days prior to the expiration of the current license, and all license fees and taxes as required by law shall be paid to the commission on or before the date of expiration of the current license.

c. Upon renewal of any license the commission shall issue an appropriate renewal certificate or validating device or sticker which shall be attached to each casino license.¹ (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.11)

REPLACE SECTION 27 TO READ:

1[27.] <u>30.</u>¹ Section 90 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-90) is amended to read as follows:

90. Licensing of Casino Employees. a. No person may commence employment as a casino employee unless he is the holder of a valid casino employee license.

b. Any applicant for a casino employee license must, prior to the issuance of any such license, produce sufficient information, documentation and assurances to meet the qualification criteria, including New Jersey residency, contained in subsection b. of section 89 of this act and any additional residency requirement imposed under subsection c. of this section; except that the standards for business ability and casino experience may be satisfied by a showing of casino job experience and knowledge of the provisions of this act and regulations pertaining to the particular position involved, or by successful completion of a course of study at a licensed school in an approved curriculum.

c. The commission may, by regulation, require that all applicants for casino employee licenses be residents of this State for a period not to exceed six months immediately prior to the issuance of such license, but application may be made prior to the expiration of the required period of residency. The commission shall, by resolution, waive the required residency period for an applicant upon a showing that the residency period would cause undue hardship upon the casino licensee which intends to employ said applicant, or upon a showing of other good cause.

d. The commission shall endorse upon any license issued hereunder the particular positions as defined by regulation which the licensee is qualified to hold. e. The commission shall deny a casino employee license to any applicant who is disqualified on the basis of the criteria contained in section 86 of this act.

f. For the purposes of this section, casino security employees shall be considered casino employees and must, in addition to any requirements under other laws, be licensed in accordance with the provisions of this act.

g. A temporary license may be issued by the commission to casino employees for positions not directly related to gaming activity if, in its judgment, the issuance of a plenary license will be restricted by necessary investigations and said temporary licensing of the applicant is necessary for the operation of the casino. In addition, a temporary license may be issued by the commission to a casino employee for the position of slot changeperson if the division has not responded to the application for licensure within ¹[30] 15¹ days of the filing of the application and if the employee's position involves working with an impressment of ¹[\$1,000] \$3,000¹ or less and no access to any other funds. Unless otherwise terminated pursuant to this act, a temporary license issued pursuant to this subsection shall expire six months from the date of its issuance and be renewable, at the discretion of the commission, for one additional six month period. Positions "directly related to gaming activity" shall include, but not be limited to, boxmen, floormen, dealers or croupiers, cage personnel, count room personnel, slot and slot booth personnel, credit and collection personnel, casino surveillance personnel, and casino security employees whose employment duties require or authorize access to the casino.

h. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection e. of this section, no applicant shall be denied a casino employee license on the basis of a conviction of any of the offenses enumerated in this act as disqualification criteria or the commission of any act or acts which would constitute any offense under subsection c. of section 86 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-86), as specified in subsection g. of that section; provided that the applicant has affirmatively demonstrated his rehabilitation. In determining whether the applicant has affirmatively demonstrated his rehabilitation the commission shall consider the following factors:

(1) The nature and duties of the position applied for;

(2) The nature and seriousness of the offense or conduct;

(3) The circumstances under which the offense or conduct occurred;

(4) The date of the offense or conduct;

(5) The age of the applicant when the offense or conduct was committed;

(6) Whether the offense or conduct was an isolated or repeated incident;

(7) Any social conditions which may have contributed

to the offense or conduct;

(8) Any evidence of rehabilitation, including good conduct in prison or in the community, counseling or psychiatric treatment received, acquisition of additional academic or vocational schooling, successful participation in correctional work-release programs, or the recommendation of persons who have or have had the applicant under their supervision. (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.13)

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RENUMBER SECTIONS 28 AND 29 AS SECTIONS 31 AND 32

REPLACE SECTION 30 TO READ:

¹[30.] <u>33.</u>¹ Section 3 of P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.12) is amended to read as follows:

3. Applicability and Requirements.

a. Except as provided in subsection b. of this section, whenever any person contracts to transfer any property relating to an ongoing casino operation, including a security holding in a casino licensee or holding or intermediary company, under circumstances which require that the transferee obtain casino licensure under section 82 of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-82), or qualification under section 84 or 85 of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-84 and 5:12-85), the contract shall not specify a closing or settlement date which is earlier than the 121st day after the submission of a completed application for licensure or qualification, which application shall include a fully executed and approved trust agreement in accordance with section 5 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act. Any contract provision which specifies an earlier closing or settlement date shall be void for all purposes. Subsequent to the earlier of the report of the division on interim authorization or the 90th day after the timely submission of the completed application, but no later than the closing or settlement date, the commission shall hold a hearing and render a decision on the interim authorization of the applicant. If the commission grants interim authorization, then, subject to the provisions of sections 3 through 7 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act, the closing or settlement may occur without interruption of casino-operations. If the commission denies interim authorization, there shall be no closing or settlement until the commission makes a determination on the qualification of the applicant, and if the commission then denies qualification the contract shall thereby be terminated for all purposes without liability on the part of the transferor.

b. Whene	ver any	person, a	s a result	of a	transfer of		
publicly-traded securities of a casino licensee or a holding or							
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or intermediary companyl¹, is required to qualify under section 84 or 85 of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-84 and 5:12-85), the person shall, within 30 days after the commission determines that qualification is required [under section 84] or declines to waive qualification under section 84, under paragraph (1) of subsection d. of section 85, or under subsection f. of section 85, or within such additional time as the commission may for good cause allow, file a completed application for such licensure or qualification, which application shall include a fully executed and approved trust agreement in accordance with section 5 of [this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act] P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.14), or in the alternative, such person, within 120 days after the commission determines that qualification is ¹[necessary] required or a waiver of qualification is denied¹, shall divest such securities as the commission may require in order to remove the need for gualification. ¹If such person determines to divest such securities, notice of such determination shall be filed with the commission within 30 days after the commission determines that qualification is required or that a waiver of qualification is <u>denied.¹</u> No extension of the time for filing a completed application shall be granted unless the person submits a written acknowledgement of the jurisdiction of the commission and the obligations imposed by the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). If a person required by this section to file an application fails to do so in a timely manner, such failure shall constitute a per se disqualification to continue to act as a security holder, and the commission shall take appropriate action under the "Casino Control Act." If a person required by this section to file an application does so in a timely manner, then, subsequent to the earlier of the report of the division on interim authorization or the 90th day after submission of the completed application, but not later than the 120th day after such submission, the commission shall hold a hearing and render a decision on the interim authorization of such person. The pendency of proceedings under this subsection shall not prevent the renewal of a casino license under section 88 of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-88), so long as any person required by this subsection to file an application has complied with this subsection and has otherwise complied with the "Casino Control Act."

(cf: P.L.1987, c.409, s.3)

REPLACE SECTION 31 TO READ:

¹[31.] <u>34.</u>¹ Section 5 of P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.14) is amended to read as follows:

5. Provisions and Application of Trust Agreement.

a. (1) Where the applicant is not required to obtain a casino license, the trust agreement filed pursuant to

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section 3 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act shall transfer and convey all of the applicant's present and future right, title and interest in the property described in section 3, including all voting rights in securities, to the trustee.

(2) Where the applicant is required to obtain a casino license, the trust agreement filed pursuant to section 3 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act shall transfer and convey to the trustee, if the applicant is a corporation, all outstanding equity securities of the corporation, and, if the applicant is other than a corporation, all outstanding interest in the applicant.

(3) The compensation for the service, costs and expenses of the trustee or trustees shall be stated in the trust agreement and shall be approved by the commission.

(4) The trust agreement filed pursuant to section 3 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act shall, in all instances, contain such provisions as the commission may deem necessary and desirable.

b. With respect to applicants described in subsection b. of section 3 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act, if the commission denies interim authorization, it shall order that the trust agreement become operative, or take such other action as may be appropriate in accordance with this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act. With respect to all applicants under section 3, if the commission grants interim authorization, it shall thereafter order that the trust agreement become operative at such time as it finds reasonable cause to believe that the applicant or any person required to be qualified in connection with the application may be found unqualified.

c. While the trust agreement remains operative, the trustee shall exercise all rights incident to the ownership of the property subject to the trust, and shall be vested with all powers, authority and duties necessary to the unencumbered exercise of such rights, as provided in sections 31 through 40 of P.L.1978, c.7 (C.5:12-130.1 through 5:12-130.11), except that the applicant shall have no right to participate in the earnings of the casino hotel or receive any return on its investment or debt security holdings during the time the trust is operative.

d. The trust agreement, once operative, shall remain operative until the commission finds the applicant qualified, or the commission finds the applicant unqualified and the property subject to the trust is disposed of in accordance with subsection e. of section 5 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act, except that the applicant may request the commission to direct the trustee to dispose of the property subject to the trust, in accordance with that subsection e., prior to a finding with respect to qualification.

e. If the commission denies qualification to a person subject to sections 3 through 7 of this 1987 amendatory and supplementary act, the trustee shall endeavor and be authorized to sell, assign, convey or otherwise dispose of all property subject to the trust to such persons as shall be appropriately licensed or qualified or shall obtain interim authorization in accordance with those sections. The disposition of trust property by the trustee shall be completed within 120 days of the denial of qualification, or within such additional time as the commission may for good cause allow, and shall be conducted in accordance with sections 31 through 40 of P.L.1978, c.7 (C.5:12-130.1 through 5:12-130.11), except that the proceeds of such disposition shall be distributed to the unqualified applicant only in an amount not ¹[exceeding] to exceed the lower of 1 the actual cost of the assets to such unqualified applicant¹[,] or the value of such assets¹ calculated as if the investment had been made on the date the trust becomes operative, and any excess remaining proceeds shall be paid to the casino revenue fund.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.409, s.5)

RENUMBER SECTION 32 AS SECTION 35

REPLACE SECTION 33_TO READ:

¹[33.] <u>36.</u>¹ Section 97 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-97) is amended to read as follows:

97. Hours of Operation. a. No casino licensed pursuant to this act shall operate between the hours of [6] ${}^{1}[\underline{8}] \underline{6}^{1}$ a.m. and 10 a.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and State and Federal holidays, or between the hours of 4 a.m. and 10 a.m. on all other days, except that for a period of three years following the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. , c. , the commission may extend the hours of operation on any day, up to and including 24 hours of operation, if the commission determines that there is an event to be held in a casino or in Atlantic City that will have a substantial citywide impact with respect to the number of visitors to the city and will have an economic impact on the casino industry which would justify the extension of those hours.

b. A casino licensee shall file with the commission a schedule of hours prior to the issuance of an initial operation certificate. If the casino licensee proposes any change in scheduled hours, such change may not be effected until such licensee files a notice of the new schedule of hours with the commission. Such filing must be made 30 days prior to the effective date of the proposed change in hours.

c. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit a casino licensee in opening its casino later than, or closing its casino earlier than, the times stated in its schedule of operating hours; provided, however, that any such alterations in its hours shall comply with the provisions of subsection a. of this section and with regulations of the commission pertaining to such alterations.

(cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.97)

RENUMBER SECTIONS 34 AND 35 AS SECTIONS 37 AND 38

REPLACE SECTION 36 TO READ:

¹[36.] 39.¹ Section 100 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-100) is amended to read as follows:

100. Games and Gaming Equipment. a. This act shall not be construed to permit any gaming except the conduct of authorized games in a casino room in accordance with this act and the regulations promulgated hereunder.

b. Gaming equipment shall not be possessed, maintained or exhibited by any person on the premises of a casino hotel complex except in the casino room and in secure areas used for the inspection, repair or storage of such equipment and specifically designated for that purpose by the casino licensee with the approval of the commission. No gaming equipment shall be possessed, maintained, exhibited, brought into or removed from a casino room by any person unless such equipment is necessary to the conduct of an authorized game, has permanently affixed, imprinted, impressed or engraved thereon an identification number or symbol authorized by the commission, is under the exclusive control of a casino licensee or his employees, and is brought into or removed from the casino room at times authorized for that purpose by the commission or at other times when prior notice has been given to and written approval granted by an authorized agent of the commission.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a person may, with the prior approval of the commission and under such terms and conditions as may be required by the commission, possess, maintain or exhibit gaming equipment in any other area of the casino hotel complex; provided such equipment is used for nongaming purposes.

c. Each casino hotel shall contain a count-room and such other secure facilities as may be required by the commission for the counting and storage of cash, coins, tokens and checks received in the conduct of gaming and for the inspection, counting and storage of dice, cards, chips and other representatives of value. All drop boxes and other devices wherein cash, coins, or tokens are deposited at the gaming tables or in slot machines, and all areas wherein such boxes and devices are kept while in use, shall be equipped with two locking devices, one key to which shall be under the exclusive control of the commission and the other under the exclusive control of the casino licensee, and said drop boxes and other devices shall not be brought into or removed from the casino room, or locked or unlocked, except at such times, -

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d. All chips used in_y gaming at all casinos shall be of such size and uniform color by denomination as the commission shall require by regulation.

e. All gaming shall be conducted according to rules promulgated by the commission. All wagers and pay-offs of winning wagers at table games shall be made according to rules promulgated by the commission, which shall establish such minimum wagers and other limitations as may be necessary to assure the vitality of casino operations and fair odds to and maximum participation by casino patrons; provided, however, that a licensee may establish a higher minimum wager with the prior approval of the commission. Each slot machine shall have a minimum payout of 83%.

f. Each casino licensee shall make available in printed form to any casino patron upon request the complete text of the rules of the commission regarding games and the conduct of gaming, pay-offs of winning wagers, an approximation of the odds of winning for each wager, and such other advice to the player as the commission shall require. Each casino licensee shall prominently post within the casino room according to regulations of the commission such information about gaming rules, pay-offs of winning wagers, the odds of winning for each wager, and such other advice to the player as the commission shall require.

g. Each gaming table shall be equipped with a sign indicating the permissible minimum and maximum wagers pertaining thereto. It shall be unlawful for a casino licensee to require any wager to be greater than the stated minimum or less than the stated maximum; provided, however, that any wager actually made by a patron and not rejected by a casino licensee prior to the commencement of play shall be treated as a valid wager.

h. No slot machine shall be used to conduct gaming unless it is identical in all electrical, mechanical and other aspects to a model thereof which has been specifically tested by the division and licensed for use by the commission. The commission shall, by regulation, establish such technical standards for licensure, including mechanical and electrical reliability, security against tampering, the comprehensibility of wagering, and noise and light levels, as it may deem necessary to protect the player from fraudor deception and to insure the integrity of gaming. In no event shall slot machines, including walkways between them, occupy more than [30%] 1[40%] $42\%^1$ of the first 50,000 square feet of floor space of a casino, or more than [25%] 1[30%] 32%¹ of any additional floor space of a casino larger than 50,000 square feet in the case of a casino hotel with fewer than 1,200 qualifying sleeping units or more than 1[40%] 42%¹ of such additional floor the space case of

a casino hotel with at least 1,200 qualifying sleeping units. In the case of casinos in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. , c. , up to 10% of the number of slot machines in operation on that effective date may be added by the end of the first year after the effective date, up to 20% of that number may be added by the end of the second year after the effective date, and up to 30% of that number may be added by the end of the third year after the effective date. The commission shall, by regulation, determine the permissible density of particular licensed slot machines or combinations thereof, based upon their size and light and noise levels, so as to create and maintain a gracious playing environment in the casino and to avoid deception or frequent distraction to players at gaming tables. The denominations of such machines shall be set by the licensee, subject to the prior approval of the commission.

i. [Each casino shall be arranged in such fashion as to allow floor space for each gaming table, including the space occupied by the table, in accordance with the following:

Baccarat--300 square feet

Blackjack--100 square feet

Craps--200 square feet

Roulette--150 square feet

Big Six Wheel--150 square feet] (Deleted by amendment, P.L. , c. .)

j. [Each casino shall be arranged in such fashion as to assure that gaming tables shall at all times be present, whether in use or not, according to the following:

(1) At least one baccarat or minibaccarat table for every 50,000 square feet of casino space or part thereof; and

(2) No more than one Big Six Wheel and table for every 10,000 square feet of casino space or part thereof.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c. .)

k. It shall be unlawful for any person to exchange or redeem chips for anything whatsoever, except currency, negotiable personal checks, negotiable counter checks or other chips. A casino licensee shall, upon the request of any person, redeem that licensee's gaming chips surrendered by that person in any amount over \$25.00 with a check drawn upon the licensee's account at any banking institution in this State and made payable to that person.

1. It shall be unlawful for any casino licensee or 1 [his] <u>its</u> 1 agents or employees to employ, contract with, or use any shill or barker to induce any person to enter a casino or play_at any game or for any purpose whatsoever.

m. It shall be unlawful for a dealer in any authorized game in which cards are dealt to deal cards by hand or other than from a device specifically designed for that

purpose.

n. It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee, other than a junket representative, or any casino employee, other than a bartender, waiter, waitress, or other casino employee who in the judgment of the commission is not directly involved with the conduct of gaming operations, to wager at any game in any casino in this State.

o. (1) It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee or boxman, floorman, or any other casino employee who shall serve in a supervisory position to solicit or accept, and for any other casino employee to solicit, any tip or gratuity from any player or patron at the casino where he is employed.

(2) A dealer may accept tips or gratuities from a patron at the table at which such dealer is conducting play, subject to the provisions of this subsection. All such tips or gratuities shall be immediately deposited in a lockbox reserved for that purpose, accounted for, and placed in a pool for distribution pro rata among the dealers [on a weekly basis], with the distribution based upon the number of hours each dealer has worked.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.7)

REPLACE SECTION 37 TO READ:

1[37.] <u>40.</u>¹ Section 101 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-101) is amended to read as follows:

101. Credit. a. Except as otherwise provided in this section, no casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, shall:

(1) Cash any check, make any loan, or otherwise provide or allow to any person any credit or advance of anything of value or which represents value to enable any person to take part in gaming activity as a player; or

(2) Release or discharge any debt, either in whole or in part, or make any loan which represents any losses incurred by any player in gaming activity, without maintaining a written record thereof in accordance with the rules of the commission.

b. No casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, may accept a check, other than a recognized traveler's check or other cash equivalent from any person to enable such person to take part in gaming activity as a player, or may give cash or cash equivalents in exchange for such check unless:

(1) The check is made payable to the casino licensee;

(2) The check is dated, but not postdated;

(3) The check is presented to the cashier or his representative and is exchanged only for a credit slip or slips which total an amount equal to the amount for which the check is drawn, which slip or slips may be presented for chips at a gaming table; and

(4) The regulations concerning check cashing procedures are observed by the casino licensee and its employees and agents.

Nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to preclude the establishment of an account by any person with a casino licensee by a deposit of cash [or], recognized traveler's check or other cash equivalent, or a check which meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section, or to preclude the withdrawal, either in whole or in part, of any amount contained in such account.

c. When a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, or any person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, cashes a check in conformity with the requirements of subsection b. of this section, the casino licensee shall cause the deposit of such check in a bank for collection or payment within (1) seven calendar days of the date of the transaction for a check in an amount of \$1,000.00 or less; (2) 14 calendar days of the date of the transaction for a check in an amount greater than \$1,000.00 but less than or equal to \$5,000.00; or (3) 45 calendar days of the date of the transaction for a check in an amount greater than \$5,000.00. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the drawer of the check may redeem the check by exchanging cash [or]. cash equivalents, chips, or a check which meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section in an amount equal to the amount for which the check is drawn; or he may redeem the check in part by exchanging cash [or], cash equivalents, chips, or a check which meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section and another check which meets the requirements of subsection b. of this section for the difference between the original check and the cash [or], cash equivalents, chips, or check tendered; or he may issue one check which meets the requirements of subsection b. of this section in an amount sufficient to redeem two or more checks drawn to the order of the casino licensee. If there has been a partial redemption or a consolidation in conformity with the provisions of this subsection, the newly issued check shall be delivered to a bank for collection or payment within the period herein specified. No casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, shall accept any check or series of checks in redemption or consolidation of another check or checks in accordance with this subsection for the purpose of avoiding or delaying the deposit of a check in a bank for collection or payment within the time period prescribed by this subsection.

In computing a time period prescribed by this

subsection, the last day of the period shall be included unless it is a Saturday, Sunday, or a State or federal holiday, in which event the time period shall run until the next business day.

d. No casino licensee or any other person licensed under this act, or any other person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, shall transfer, convey, or give, with or without consideration, a check cashed in conformity with the requirements of this section to any person other than:

(1) The drawer of the check upon redemption or consolidation in accordance with subsection c. of this section;

(2) A bank for collection or payment of the check; or

(3) A purchaser of the casino license as approved by the commission. The limitation on transferability of checks imposed herein shall apply to checks returned by any bank to the casino licensee without full and final payment.

e. No person other than one licensed as a casino key employee or as a casino employee may engage in efforts to collect upon checks that have been returned by banks without full and final payment, except that an attorney-at-law representing a casino licensee may bring action for such collection.

f. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, checks cashed in conformity with the requirements of this act shall be valid instruments, enforceable at law in the courts of this State. Any check cashed, transferred, conveyed or given inviolation of this act shall be invalid and unenforceable for the purposes of collection but shall be included in the calculation of gross revenue pursuant to section 24 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-24).

g. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. of this section to the contrary, a casino licensee may accept a check from a person to enable the person to take part in gaming activity as a player, [or] may give cash or cash equivalents in exchange for ¹[the] such a^1 check, or may accept a check in redemption or partial redemption of a check issued in accordance with subsection b., provided that:

(1) (a) The check is drawn by a casino licensee pursuant to the provisions of subsection k. of section 100 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-100 k.) or upon a withdrawal of funds from an account established in accordance with the provisions of subsection b. of this section or is drawn by a casino licensee for winnings from slot machine payoffs;

(b) The check is issued by a banking institution which is chartered in a country other than the United States on its account at a federally chartered or state-chartered bank and is made payable to "cash," "bearer," a casino (c) The check is issued by a banking institution which is chartered in the United States on its account at another federally chartered or state-chartered bank and is made payable to "cash," "bearer," a casino licensee, or the person presenting the check;

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(2) The check is identifiable in a manner approved by the commission as a check issued for a purpose listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection;

(3) The check is dated, but not postdated;

(4) The check is presented to the cashier or the cashier's representative by the original payee and its validity is verified by the drawer 1 in the case of a check drawn pursuant to subparagraph (a) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, or the check is verified in accordance with regulations promulgated by the commission in the case of a check issued pursuant to subparagraph (b) or subparagraph (c) of paragraph (1) of this subsection¹; and

(5) The regulations concerning check cashing procedures are observed by the casino licensee and its employees and agents.

No casino licensee shall issue a check for the purpose of making a loan or otherwise providing or allowing any advance or credit to a person to enable the person to take part in gaming activity as a player.

h. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. and subsection c. of this section to the contrary, a casino licensee may, at a location outside the casino, accept a personal check or checks from a person for up to \$2,500 in exchange for cash or cash equivalents, and may, at ¹[a cashier's cage] such locations within the casino as may be permitted by the commission¹, accept a personal check or checks for up to \$2,500 in exchange for cash, cash equivalents, tokens, chips, or plaques to enable the person to take part in gaming activity as a player or non-gaming activity, as the case may be, provided that:

(1) The check is drawn on the patron's bank or brokerage cash management account;

(2) The check is for a specific amount;

(3) The check is ¹[make] made¹ payable to the casino licensee;

(4) The check is dated but not post-dated;

(5) The patron's identity is established by examination of one of the following: valid credit card, driver's license, passport, or other form of identification credential which contains, at a minimum, the patron's signature;

(6) The check is restrictively endorsed "For Deposit Only" to the casino licensee's bank account and deposited on the next banking day following the date of the transaction; ¹and¹

(7) ¹[No other check or checks are outstanding.] The total amount of personal checks accepted by all licensees pursuant to this subsection that are outstanding at any time, including the current check being submitted to a licensee, does not exceed \$2,500.¹

i. Checks cashed pursuant to the provisions of subsection h. of this section which are subsequently uncollectable may not be deducted from the total of all sums received in calculating gross revenue pursuant to section 24 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-24)¹[;].¹

j. A person may request the commission to put that person's name on a list of persons to whom the extension of credit by a casino as provided in this section would be prohibited ¹by submitting to the commission the person's name, address, and date of birth¹. The person does not need to provide a reason for this request. The commission shall provide this list to the credit department of each casino; neither the commission nor the credit department of a casino shall divulge the names on this list to any person or entity other than those provided for in this subsection. If such a person wishes to have that person's name removed from the list, the person shall submit this request to the commission, which shall so inform the credit departments of casinos no later than three days after the submission of the request.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.426, s.4)

REPLACE SECTION 38 TO READ:

¹[38.] <u>41.</u>¹ Section 102 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-102) is amended to read as follows:

102. Junkets and Complimentary Services. a. No junkets may be organized or permitted except in accordance with the provisions of this act. No person may act as a junket representative or junket enterprise except in accordance with this section. Notwithstanding any other provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.), junket enterprises engaged in activities governed by this section shall not be subject to the provisions of section 92 and subsection b. of section 104 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92 and c.5:12-104) with regard to those activities, unless otherwise directed by the commission pursuant to subsection k. of this section.

b. A junket representative shall be licensed as a casino key employee in accordance with the provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.); provided, however, that said licensee need not be a resident of this State. Any person who holds a current and valid casino key employee license may act as a junket representative while employed by a casino licensee without further endorsement of his license. No casino licensee or junket enterprise may employ or otherwise engage a junket representative who is not so licensed.

c. A junket enterprise shall be licensed in accordance with the provisions of this section prior to conducting any business whatsoever with a casino licensee, its employees or agents. A junket enterprise, as well as

such of its owners, management and supervisory personnel and other principal employees as the commission may consider appropriate for qualification, must qualify under the standards, except residency, established for qualification of a casino key employee under P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). No casino licensee or junket enterprise may employ or otherwise engage the services of a junket enterprise who is not so licensed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any licensed junket representative who is the sole owner and operator of a junket enterprise shall not be required to be licensed as a junket enterprise pursuant to this section if his junket representative license is endorsed as such.

d. Prior to the issuance of any license required by this section, an applicant for licensure shall submit to the jurisdiction of the State of New Jersey and shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the commission that he is amenable to service of process within this State. Failure to establish or maintain compliance with the requirements of this subsection shall constitute sufficient cause for the denial, suspension or revocation of any license issued pursuant to this section.

e. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1987, c.426.)

f. Every agreement concerning junkets entered into by a casino licensee and a junket representative or junket enterprise shall be deemed to include a provision for its termination without liability on the part of the casino licensee, if the commission orders—the_termination_upon_the_suspension, limitation, conditioning, denial or revocation of the licensure of the junket representative or junket enterprise, in accordance with the provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). Failure to expressly include such a condition in the agreement shall not constitute a defense in any action brought to terminate the agreement.

g. A casino licensee shall be responsible for the conduct of any junket representative or junket enterprise associated with it and for the terms and conditions of any junket engaged in on its premises, regardless of the fact that the junket <u>may involve</u> persons not employed by such a casino licensee.

h. A casino licensee shall be responsible for any violation or deviation from the terms of a junket. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this act, the commission may, after hearings in accordance with this act, order restitution to junket participants, assess penalties for such violations or deviations, prohibit future junkets by the casino licensee, junket enterprise or junket representative, and order such further relief as it deems appropriate.

i. The commission shall, by regulation, prescribe methods, procedures and forms for the delivery and retention of information concerning the conduct of junkets by casino licensees. Without limitation of the

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foregoing, each casino licensee, in accordance with the rules of the commission, shall:

(1) Maintain on file a report describing the operation of any junket engaged in on its premises, which report may include acknowledgments by the participants, signed on the date of arrival, that they understand the terms of the particular junket;

---(2)—Submit_to the commission and division a report on those arrangements which would be junkets but for the fact that those arrangements do not include a selection or approval of participants in accordance with the terms of section 29 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-29); and

(3) Submit to the commission and division a list of all its employees who are acting as junket representatives but whose licenses are not endorsed as such.

j. Each casino licensee, junket representative or junket enterprise shall, in accordance with the rules of the commission, file a report with the division with respect to each list of junket patrons or potential junket patrons purchased directly or indirectly by the casino licensee, junket representative or enterprise.

k. The commission shall have the authority to determine, either by regulation, or upon petition by the holder of a casino license, that a type of arrangement otherwise included within the definition of "junket" established by section 29 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-29) shall not require compliance with any or all of the requirements of this section. The commission shall seek the opinion of the division prior to granting any exemption. In granting exemptions, the commission shall consider such factors as the nature, volume and significance of the particular type of arrangement, and whether the exemption would be consistent with the public policies established by this act. In applying the provisions of this subsection, the commission may condition, limit, or restrict any exemption as the commission may deem appropriate.

1. No junket enterprise or junket representative or person acting as a junket representative may:

(1) Engage in efforts to collect upon checks that have been returned by banks without full and final payment;

(2) Exercise approval authority with regard to the authorization or issuance of credit pursuant to section 101 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-101);

(3) Act on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or a gaming patron with regard to the redemption, consolidation, or substitution of the gaming patron's checks awaiting deposit pursuant to subsection c. of section 101 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-101);

(4) Individually receive or retain any fee from a patron for the privilege of participating in a junket;

(5) Pay for any services, including transportation, or other items of value provided to, or for the benefit of,

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m. No casino licensee shall offer or provide any complimentary services, gifts, cash or other items of value to any person unless:

(1) The complimentary consists of room, food, beverage or entertainment expenses provided directly to the patron and his guests by the licensee or indirectly to the patron and his guests on behalf of a licensee by a third party; or

(2) The complimentary consists of documented transportation expenses provided directly to the patron and his guests by the licensee or indirectly to the patron and his guests on behalf of a licensee by a third party, provided that the licensee complies with regulations promulgated by the commission to ensure that a patron's and his guests' documented transportation expenses are paid for or reimbursed only once; or

(3) The complimentary consists of coins, tokens, cash or other complimentary items or services provided through a bus coupon or other complimentary distribution program approved by the commission or maintained pursuant to commission regulation[; or

(4) The complimentary consists of].

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a casino licensee may offer and provide complimentary cash or noncash gifts which are not otherwise included in paragraphs (1) through (3) of this subsection to any person, provided that any such [noncash] gifts in excess of \$2,000.00 per trip, or such greater amount as the commission may establish by regulation [provided directly to the patron and his guests by the licensee or indirectly to the patron and his guests on behalf of a licensee by a third party shall bel, are supported by documentation regarding the reason the [noncash] gift was provided to the patron and his guests, including where applicable, a patron's player rating, [to] which documentation shall be maintained by the casino licensee. For the purposes of this paragraph, all [noncash] gifts presented to a patron and the patron's guests directly by the licensee or indirectly on behalf of the licensee by a third party within any five-day period shall be considered to have been made during a single [noncash gift] trip. ¹In the case of cash gifts, the commission shall establish by regulation the total amount of such gifts that a licensee may provide to a patron each year.¹

Each casino licensee shall maintain a regulated complimentary service account, for those complimentaries which are permitted pursuant to this section, and shall submit a quarterly report to the commission based upon such account and covering all complimentary services offered or engaged in by the licensee during the immediately preceding quarter. Such reports shall include identification of the regulated complimentary services and their respective costs, the number of persons by

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n. As used in this subsection, "person" means any State officer or employee subject to financial disclosure by law or executive order and any other State officer or employee with responsibility for matters affecting casino activity; any special State officer or employee with responsibility for matters affecting casino activity; the Governor; any member of the Legislature or full-time member of the Judiciary; any full-time professional employee of the Office of the Governor, or the Legislature; members of the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority; ² the head of a principal department; the assistant or deputy heads of a principal department, including all assistant and deputy commissioners; the head of any division of a principal department; any member of the governing body, or the municipal judge or the municipal attorney of a municipality wherein a casino is located; any member of or attorney for the planning board or zoning board of adjustment of a municipality wherein a casino is located, or any professional planner or consultant regularly employed or retained by such planning board or zoning board of adjustment.

No casino applicant or licensee shall provide directly or indirectly to any person any complimentary service or discount which is other than such service or discount that is offered to members of the general public in like circumstance.

o. (1) Any person who, on the effective date of this 1987 amendatory act, holds a current and valid plenary junket representative license or a junket enterprise license authorizing the conduct of junket activities, shall be considered licensed in accordance with the provisions of this section as a junket representative or junket enterprise, respectively, for the remaining term of his current license.

(2) Any person who, on the effective date of this 1987 amendatory act, holds a current and valid temporary junket representative or junket enterprise license authorizing the conduct of junket activities shall be permitted to act as, or perform the services of a junket representative or junket enterprise so long as such junket representative or junket enterprise files with the commission an application for licensure pursuant to the provisions of this 1987 amendatory act within 90 days of the effective date hereof. Any junket representative or junket enterprise so filing shall be permitted to engage in junket activities until the commission has acted upon such application. Any junket representative or junket enterprise not so filing shall not be permitted to act as, or perform the services of, a junket representative or junket enterprise upon the expiration of 90 days from and after the effective date of this 1987 amendatory act. (cf: P.L.1987, c.426, s.5)

REPLACE SECTION 40 TO READ:

¹[40.] <u>43.</u>¹ Section 105 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-105) is amended to read as follows:

105. Disposition of Securities by Corporate Licensee. a. The sale, assignment, transfer, pledge or other disposition of any security issued by a corporation which holds a casino license is conditional and shall be ineffective if disapproved by the commission.

b. Every security issued by a corporation which holds a casino license shall bear, on both sides of the certificate evidencing such security, a statement of the restrictions imposed by this section, except that in the case of a publicly traded corporation incorporated prior to the effective date of this act, a statement of restriction shall be necessary only insofar as certificates are issued by such corporation after the effective date of this act.

c. The Secretary of State shall not accept for filing any articles of incorporation of any corporation which includes as a stated purpose the conduct of casino gaming, or any amendment which adds such purpose to articles of incorporation already filed, unless such articles or amendments have been approved by the commission and a copy of such approval is annexed thereto upon presentation for filing with the Secretary of State.

d. If at any time the commission finds that an individual owner or holder of any security of a corporate licensee or of a holding or intermediary company with respect thereto is not qualified under this act, and if as a result the corporate licensee is no longer qualified to continue as a casino licensee in this State, the commission shall, pursuant to the provisions of this act, [propose] take any necessary action to protect the public interest, including the suspension or revocation of the casino license of the corporation; provided, however, that if the holding or intermediary company is a publicly traded corporation and the commission finds disqualified any holder of any security thereof who is required to be qualified under section 85 d. of this act, and the commission also finds that: (1) the holding or intermediary company has complied with the provisions of section 82 d. (7) of this act; (2) the holding or intermediary company has made a good faith effort, including the prosecution of all legal remedies, to comply with any order of the commission requiring the divestiture of the security interest held by the disqualified holder; and (3) such disqualified holder does not have the ability to control the corporate licensee or any holding or intermediary company with respect thereto, or to elect one or more members of the board of directors of such corporation or company, the commission shall not take action against the casino

licensee or the holding or intermediary company with respect to the continued ownership of the security interest by the disqualified holder. For purposes of this act, a security holder shall be presumed to have the ability to control a publicly traded corporation, or to elect one or more members of its board of directors, if such holder owns or beneficially holds 5% or more of the 1[voting] equity¹ securities of such corporation, unless such presumption of control or ability to elect is rebutted by clear and convincing evidence.

e. Commencing on the date the commission serves notice upon a corporation of the determination of disqualification under subsection d. of this section, it shall be unlawful for the named individual:_____

(1) To receive any dividends or interest upon any such securities;

(2) To exercise, directly or through any trustee or nominee, any right conferred by such securities; or

(3) To receive any remuneration in any form from the corporate licensee for services rendered or otherwise.

f. After a nonpublicly traded corporation has been issued a casino license pursuant to the provisions of this act, but prior to the issuance or transfer of any security to any person required to be but not yet qualified in accordance with the provisions of this act, such corporation shall file a report of its proposed action with the commission, and shall request the approval of the commission for the transaction. If the commission shall deny the request, the corporation shall not issue or transfer such security. After a publicly traded corporation has been issued a casino license, such corporation shall file a report quarterly with the commission, which report shall list all owners and holders of any security issued by such corporate casino licensee.

g. Each corporation which has been issued a casino license pursuant to the provisions of this act shall file a report of any change of its corporate officers or members of its board of directors with the commission. No officer or director shall be entitled to exercise any powers of the office to which he was so elected or appointed until qualified by the commission in accordance with the provisions of this act. (cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.9)

RENUMBER SECTIONS 41 THROUGH 47 AS SECTIONS 44 THROUGH 50

REPLACE SECTION 48 TO READ:

¹[48.] $51.^{1}$ Section 118 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-118) is amended to read as follows:

118. Regulations Requiring Exclusion or Rejection of Certain Persons from Licensed Casinos; Unlawful Entry by Person Whose Name Has Been Placed on List; Penalty. Any person whose name is on the list of persons promulgated by the commission pursuant to the provisions of section 71 of this act who knowingly enters the premises of a licensed casino is guilty of a [misdemeanor] disorderly persons offense¹, except that any person who has been convicted of this offense three times is guilty of a crime of the fourth degree for each subsequent offense¹.

(cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.118)

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RENUMBER SECTIONS 49 AND 50 AS SECTIONS 52 AND 53

INSERT NEW SECTION 54 TO READ:

¹54. Section 121 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-121) is amended to read as follows:

121. Authority of gaming licensee and agents to detain or question persons suspected of cheating; immunity from liability; posted notice required.

a. Any licensee or its officers, employees or agents may question any individual in the casino reasonably suspected of violating any of the provisions of sections 113 through 116 of this act) or of section 47 of P.L. , c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill). No licensee or its officers, employees or agents shall be criminally or civilly liable by reason of any such questioning.

b. Any licensee or its officers, employees or agents who shall have probable cause for believing there has been a violation of sections 113 through 116 of this act or of section 47 of P.L.,

<u>c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill)</u> in the casino by any person may take such person into custody and detain him in the establishment in a reasonable manner for a reasonable length of time, for the purpose of notifying law enforcement or commission authorities. Such taking into custody and detention shall not render such licensee or its officers, employees or agents criminally or civilly liable for false arrest, false imprisonment, slander or unlawful detention, unless such taking into custody or detention is unreasonable under all of the circumstances.

c. No licensee or his officers, employees or agents shall be entitled to any immunity from civil or criminal liability provided in this section unless there is displayed in a conspicuous manner in the casino a notice in bold face type clearly legible and in substantially this form:

"Any gaming licensee or officer, employee or agent thereof who has probable cause for believing that any person is violating any of the provisions of the Casino Cóntrol Act prohibiting cheating or swindling in gaming may detain such person in the establishment for the purpose of notifying a police officer or Casino Control Commission authorities."¹ (cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.121) 36

INSERT NEW SECTION 61 TO READ:

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¹61. Section 4 of P.L.1981, c.142 (C.52:13D-17.2) is amended to read as follows:

4. a. As used in this section "person" means any State officer or employee subject to financial disclosure by law or executive order and any other State officer or employee with responsibility for matters affecting casino activity; any special State officer or employee with responsibility for matters affecting casino activity; the Governor; any member of the Legislature or any full-time member of the Judiciary; any full-time professional employee of the Office of the Governor, or the Legislature; members of the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority; the head of a principal department; the assistant or deputy heads of a principal department, including all assistant and deputy commissioners; the head of any division of a principal department; any member of the governing body, or the municipal judge or the municipal attorney of a municipality wherein a casino is located; any member of or attorney for the planning board or zoning board of adjustment of a municipality wherein a casino is located, or any professional planner, or consultant regularly employed or retained by such planning board or zoning board of adjustment.

b. No State officer or employee, nor any person, nor any member of the immediate family of any State officer or employee, or person, nor any partnership, firm or corporation with which any such State officer or employee or person is associated or in which he has an interest, nor any partner, officer, director or employee while he is associated with such partnership, firm, or corporation, shall hold, directly or indirectly, an interest in, or hold employment with, or represent, appear for, or negotiate on behalf of, any holder of, or applicant for, a casino license, or any holding or intermediary company with respect thereto, in connection with any cause, application, or matter. No special State officer or employee without responsibility for matters affecting casino activity, excluding those serving in the Departments of Education, Health, Higher Education and Human Services, shall hold, directly or indirectly, hold interest in, [or employment an with.l or represent, appear for, or negotiate on behalf of, any holder of, or applicant for, a casino license, or any holding or intermediary company with respect thereto, in connection with any cause, application, or matter. However, a special State officer or employee without responsibility for matters affecting casino activity may hold employment directly with any holder of or applicant for a casino license or any holding or intermediary company thereof and if so employed may hold, directly or

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on behalf of, his employer, except as otherwise prohibited by law. c. No person or any member of his immediate family, nor any partnership, firm or corporation with which such person is associated or in which he has an interest, nor any partner, officer, director or employee while he is associated with such partnership, firm or corporation, shall, within two years next subsequent to the termination of the office or employment of such person, hold, directly or indirectly, an interest in, or hold employment with, or represent, appear for or negotiate on behalf of, any holder of, or applicant for, a casino license in connection with any cause, application or matter, or any holding or intermediary company with respect to such holder of, or applicant for, a casino license in connection with any phase of casino development, permitting, licensure or any other matter whatsoever related to casino activity. Nothing herein contained shall alter or amend the post-employment restrictions applicable to members and employees of the Casino Control Commission and employees and agents of the Division of Gaming Enforcement pursuant to subsection b. (2) of section 59 and to section 60 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-59b. (2) and C.5:12-60).

d. This section shall not apply to the spouse of a State officer or employee, which State officer or employee is without responsibility for matters affecting casino activity, who becomes the spouse subsequent to the State officer's or employee's appointment or employment as a State officer or employee and who is not individually or directly employed by a holder of, or applicant for, a casino license, or any holding or intermediary company.

e. The Joint Legislative Committee on Ethical Standards and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, as appropriate, shall forthwith determine and publish, and periodically update, a list of those positions in State government with responsibility for matters affecting casino activity.

f._No person shall solicit or accept, directly or indirectly, any complimentary service or discount from any casino applicant or licensee which he knows or has reason to know is other than a service or discount that is offered to members of the general public in like circumstance.____

g. No person shall influence, or attempt to influence, by use of his official authority, the decision of the commission or the investigation of the division in any application for licensure or in any proceeding to enforce the provisions of this act or the regulations of the commission. Any such attempt shall be promptly reported to the Attorney General; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be deemed to proscribe a request for information by any person concerning the status of any application for licensure or any proceeding to—enforce—the provisions of this act or the regulations of the commission.

h. Any person who willfully violates the provisions of this section is a disorderly person and shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or imprisonment not to exceed six months, or both.¹

(cf: P.L.1984, c.218, s.36)

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ASSEMBLY INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[SECOND REPRINT] SENATE, No. 3279

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 17, 1991

The Assembly Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 3279 [2R] with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill makes numerous changes in the laws governing the operation and regulation of casinos. Among those changes are the following:

1) Three new games, red dog, pai gow and sic bo, are authorized, and the Casino Control Commission is authorized to permit additional new games for an experimental period of up to six months.

2) Greater flexibility is given to the casinos in both non-gaming operations (e.g., the elimination of commission review of non-gaming advertising) and in gaming operations (e.g., the elimination of statutory requirements requiring a minimum amount of space for various games).

3) The formula for determining the maximum allowable casino size is changed and is based on the number of hotel rooms of a licensee. New casino hotels must have at least 500 rooms, which would entitle them to casino space of up to 50,000 square feet. A casino could add an additional 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 rooms over 500, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet. Existing casino hotels that add to their present number of rooms would be entitled to expanded casino space of 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 rooms over 500, up to the same maximum of 200,000 square feet.

4) Present statutory requirements for minimum indoor public space (e.g., restaurants and convention space) are eliminated; however, existing hotels must maintain such space for two years after the effective date of this bill.

5) The ability of institutional investors (e.g., investment companies and pension funds) to invest in casinos is facilitated in order to expand the sources of financing for casinos.

6) Licensure as a casino employee is required only of employees involved in gaming-related activities. Security employees who work solely in the hotel and not the casino are required to be registered rather than licensed.

7) The commission is empowered to authorize 24-hour gaming on any Saturday, Sunday, or State or federal holiday and on certain other occasions.

8) The commission is relieved of the responsibility of making judgments about the architecture and aesthetics of casino hotels.

9) Casinos can increase their space allotment for slot machines from 30% to 45% and 25% to 32%, where applicable. The increase must be phased-in over a three-year period.

10) Certain checks, such as bank-to-bank checks and personal checks of up to \$1,500, are permitted to be accepted and cashed by casinos.

11) A person may request the commission to put his name on a list of persons to whom the extension of credit by a casino is prohibited.

12) Cash, as well as the presently authorized noncash gifts, is permitted as a complimentary, except that the commission is directed to establish a maximum amount of cash gifts that a licensee may provide to a patron each year.

13) The use of an electronic device by a player to gain advantage while playing a game is prohibited.

14) The appointment of a conservator for a casino in trouble is made permissive rather than mandatory in order to give the commission more flexibility in dealing with such circumstances, and the compensation and the mode of operation of the conservator are clarified.

15) Moneys from penalties levied and collected by the commission are to be paid into the Casino Revenue Fund, except that the first \$500,000 collected each fiscal year shall be used to support the Council on Compulsive Gambling in New Jersey.

The committee amended the bill to:

- Refine the provisions governing the waiver of qualification for institutional investors to provide that a waiver shall be granted for institutional investors holding securities which represent a percentage not exceeding 20% of the outstanding debt of the company or a percentage of any issue of the outstanding debt of the company not exceeding 50%;

- Permit the Casino Control Commission to authorize the operation of gaming hours up to 24 hours on any Saturday or Sunday or Federal and State holidays;

- Authorize the expansion of space allotment of slot machines to 45% of the first 50,000 square feet of a casino from 30% under current law, and to 32% of any additional floor space over 50,000 square feet from the current level of 25%;

- Provide that checks up to \$1,500 may be cashed to enable persons to take part in gaming activities provided that the total amount of personal checks accepted by a licensee at any time, including the check submitted to the licensee, does not exceed \$1,500;

- Require casino advertising to include certain language addressed to compulsive gamblers;

- Make various technical changes.

- Provide that an existing casino that agrees to add more hotel rooms is given two years from the beginning of casino operations in the expanded casino space to build those rooms. The bill originally provided that a casino was allowed two years from the date of the agreement that was approved by the commission (section 24);

- Authorize the commission to renew a casino license for a period of up to two years rather than requiring a two-year renewal period (section 29);

- Permit the issuance of a temporary casino employee license for a slot changeperson if the Division of Gaming Enforcement has not responded to the person's application within 15 days and if the position involves working with no more than \$3,000. The bill originally provided for 30 days and \$1,000, respectively (section 30);

- Clarify the procedures for divesting securities if a person is required to divest and make the procedures applicable to a person holding securities in a financing entity of a casino licensee (section 33);

- Clarify the rate of return to a person required to divest (section 34);

- Delete the expansion of weekend and holiday gaming hours from 20 to 22 hours (section 36);

- Increase the space allotment for slot machines above the percentages originally provided in the bill, i.e., 40% to 42% and 30% to 32%, where applicable (section 39);

- Clarify the provisions regarding the cashing of personal checks up to \$2,500 to provide that the total amount of personal checks accepted by all licensees that are outstanding at any time for a casino patron does not exceed \$2,500, and add technical language to address verification of bank-to-bank checks (section 40);

- Provide that with respect to cash complimentaries, the commission shall establish an annual limit per patron, per casino (section 41);

- Make a technical change to replace a reference to "voting securities" with "equity securities," a defined term in the Casino Control Act (section 43);

- Increase the penalty for a person on the exclusion list who enters a casino after a third conviction, from a disorderly persons offense to a crime of the fourth degree (section 51); and

- Authorize a special State officer or employee without responsibility for matters affecting casino activity to hold employment with a casino and to hold an interest in and represent that casino (section 61). 06/16/91wlb 000708 1472

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ASSEMBLY AIA COMMITTEE

<u>AMENDMENTS</u>

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to

SENATE, No. 3279 (2R) (Sponsored by Senator CODEY)

REPLACE TITLE TO READ:

AN ACT concerning casino gambling, amending P.L.1978, c.7 ¹[and], P.L.1981, c.142 and¹ P.L.1987, c.409, ¹[and]³[,¹]³ amending and supplementing P.L.1977, c.110 ¹, and repealing sections 48 and 142 of P.L.1977, c.110¹.

REPLACE SECTION 15 TO READ:

1[14.] $2[\underline{16.1}]$ $\underline{15.2}$ Section 69 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-69) is amended to read as follows:

69. Regulations. a. The commission shall be authorized to adopt, amend, or repeal such regulations, consistent with the policy and objectives of this act, as it may deem necessary or desirable for the public interest in carrying out the provisions of this act.

b. Such regulations shall be adopted, amended, and repealed in accordance with the provisions of the "Administrative Procedure Act," (P.L.1968, c.410; C.52:14B-1 et seq.).

c. Any interested person may, in accordance with the provisions of the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), file a petition with the commission requesting the adoption, amendment or repeal of a regulation.

d. The commission may, in emergency circumstances, summarily adopt, amend or repeal any regulation pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act" (P.L.1968, c.410; C.52:14B-1 et seq.).

e. Notwithstanding any other provision of this act or the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.) to the contrary, the commission may, after notice provided in accordance with this subsection, authorize the temporary adoption, amendment or repeal or any rule concerning the conduct of gaming or the use or design of gaming equipment for an experimental period not to exceed [90] 180 days for the purpose of determining whether such rules should be adopted on a permanent basis in accordance with the requirements of this section. Any rules experiment authorized by this subsection shall be conducted under such terms and conditions as the commission may deem appropriate. Notice of any temporary rulemaking action taken by the commission pursuant to this subsection shall be published in the New Jersey Register, and provided to the newspapers designated by the commission pursuant to subsection d. 3 of section of

P.L.1975, c.231 (C.10:4-8), at least seven days prior to the initiation of the experimental period and shall be prominently posted in each casino participating in the experiment. Nothing herein shall be deemed to require the publication of the text of any temporary rule adopted by the commission or notice of any modification of a rules experiment initiated in accordance with this subsection. The text of any temporary rule adopted by the commission shall be posted in each casino participating in the experiment and shall be available upon request from the commission. ³[In no case shall any temporary rule authorize the use or operation of any game not authorized by the Legislature.]³ (cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.4)

REPLACE SECTION 16 TO READ:

 $1[15.] 2[17.1] 16.^2$ Section 70 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-70) is amended to read as follows:

70. Required Regulations. The commission shall, without limitation on the powers conferred in the preceding section, include within its regulations the following specific provisions in accordance with the provisions of this act:

a. Prescribing the methods and forms of application which any applicant shall follow and complete prior to consideration of his application by the commission;

b. Prescribing the methods, procedures and form for delivery of information concerning any person's family, habits, character, associates, criminal record, business activities and financial affairs;

c. Prescribing procedures for the fingerprinting of an applicant, employee of a licensee, or registrant, or other methods of identification which may be necessary in the judgment of the commission to accomplish effective enforcement of restrictions on access to the casino floor and other restricted areas of the casino hotel complex;

d. Prescribing the manner and procedure of all hearings conducted by the commission or any hearing examiner, includingspecial rules of evidence applicable thereto and notices thereof;

e. -Prescribing the manner and method of collection of payments of taxes, fees, and penalties;

f. Defining and limiting the areas of operation, the rules of authorized games, odds, and devices permitted, and the method of operation of such games and devices;

g. Regulating the practice and procedures for negotiable transactions involving patrons, including limitations on the circumstances and amounts of such transactions, and the establishment of forms and procedures for negotiable instrument transactions, redemptions, and consolidations;

h. Prescribing grounds and procedures for the revocation or suspension of operating certificates and licenses;

i. Governing the manufacture, distribution, sale, and servicing of gaming devices and equipment;

j. Prescribing for gaming operations the procedures, forms and methods of management controls, including employee and supervisory tables of organization and responsibility, and minimum security standards, including security personnel structure, alarm and other electrical or visual security measures;

k. Prescribing the qualifications of, and the conditions pursuant to which, engineers, accountants, and others shall be permitted to practice before the commission or to submit materials on behalf of any applicant or licensee; provided, however, that no member of the Legislature, nor any firm with which said member is associated, shall be permitted to appear or practice or act in any capacity whatsoever before the commission or division regarding any matter whatsoever, nor shall any member of the family of the Governor or of a member of the Legislature be permitted to so practice or appear in any capacity whatsoever before the commission any matter whatsoever before the commission or division regarding any matter whatsoever before the commission or division regarding any matter whatsoever before the commission or division regarding any matter whatsoever before the commission or division regarding any matter whatsoever;

1. Prescribing minimum procedures for the exercise of effective control over the internal fiscal affairs of a licensee, including provisions for the safeguarding of assets and revenues, the recording of cash and evidence of indebtedness, and the maintenance of reliable records, accounts, and reports of transactions, operations and events, including reports to the commission;

m. Providing for a minimum uniform standard of accountancy methods, procedures and forms; a uniform code of accounts and accounting classifications; and such other standard operating procedures, including those controls listed in section 99a. hereof, as may be necessary to assure consistency, comparability, and effective disclosure of all financial information, including calculations of percentages of profit by games, tables, gaming devices and slot machines;

n. Requiring periodic financial reports and the form thereof, including an annual audit prepared by a certified public accountant licensed to do business in this State, attesting to the financial condition of a licensee and disclosing whether the accounts, records and control procedures examined are maintained by the licensee as required by this act and the regulations promulgated hereunder;

o. Governing the <u>gaming-related</u> advertising of casino licensees, their employees and agents, with the view toward assuring that such advertisements are in no way deceptive; provided, however, that such regulations shall not prohibit the advertisement of casino location, hours of operation, or types of games and other amenities offered, but in no circumstance shall permit the advertisement of information about odds, the number of games, or the size of the casino; and provided further,

however, that such regulations shall require the words "Bet with your head, not over it" to appear on all billboards, signs, and other on-site advertising of a casino operation ³and shall require the words "If you or someone you know has a gambling problem and wants help, call 1-800 GAMBLER" to appear on all print, electronic, billboard, and sign advertising of a casino operation³; and

p. [Governing entertainment presented by casino licensees in accordance with the prevailing community standards as determined by the commission] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c.);

q. Concerning the distribution and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises of the licensee, which regulations shall be insofar as possible consistent with Title 33 of the Revised Statutes, and shall deviate only insofar as necessary because of the unique character of the hotel casino premises and operations; [and]

r. [Limiting signs and other on-site advertising, with a view toward minimizing solicitation for gaming purposes from the public thorough fares or otherwise dominating or despoiling the architecture or environment of the city] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c.).

(cf: P.L.1982, c.148, s.1)

REPLACE SECTION 23 TO READ:

1[22.] 2[24.1] 23.2 Section 83 of P.L. 1977, c.110 (C.5:12-83) is amended to read as follows:

83. Approved Hotel. <u>a.</u> An approved hotel for purposes of this act shall be a hotel providing facilities in accordance with this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the commission to determine the suitability of facilities as provided in this act, and nothing in this section shall be construed to require a casino to be ¹[larger than the minimum size or]¹ smaller than the maximum size herein provided.

[An approved hotel shall, in accordance with the following table:

a. Contain qualifying sleeping units as defined in section 27 of this act;

b. Contain qualifying indoor public space available and of the sort regularly used for conventions, exhibits, meetings, banquets and similar functions, and for dining, entertainment, and sports facilities, including restaurants, bars, lounges, show theaters, shops, dance halls, swimming facilities, and tennis facilities but excluding lobbies, casinos, and parking areas; and

c. Contain a single casino room as defined in section 6 of this act, in accordance with the minimum number of qualifying sleeping units and minimum amount of qualifying indoor public space as provided in the following chart, but, except as hereinafter provided, in no event may a casino room be permitted to exceed the

_____maximum_square footage stated:

Minimum Number	Minimum Square Footage	Maximum Square
of Qualifying	of Qualifying Indoor	Footage of
Sleeping Units	Public Space	Casino Room
	Sq. Ft.	Sq. Ft.
500	65,000	30,000
750	80,000	40,000
1,000	95,000	50,000
1,250	110,000	60,000
1,500	125,000	70,000
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2,000	155,000	100,000]

b. (1)-In the case of a casino hotel in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., c. , an approved hotel shall:

(a) contain at least the number of qualifying sleeping units, as defined in section 27 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), which it has on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, except that those units may be consolidated and reconfigured in order to form suites so long as there remain at least 500 qualifying sleeping units; and

(b) contain a casino of not more than the amount of casino space authorized on the basis of the provisions of this section which were in effect on the day before the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act and applicable to that casino at that time, ¹[except that the casino space may be increased if additional qualifying sleeping units are added as provided hereafter in this paragraph] unless the number of qualifying sleeping units under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph and the number of any qualifying sleeping units added after the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act permit an increase on the following basis: 50,000 square feet for the first 500 qualifying sleeping units and 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 qualifying sleeping units above 500, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet. No casino hotel in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act shall be required to reduce the amount of its casino space below the amount authorized as of the day before the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act unless the number of qualifying sleeping units is reduced below the number required in subparagraph (a) of this paragraph or, during the two years after that effective date, the amount of qualifying indoor public space³, including space serving as kitchen support facilities,³ is reduced in violation of section 3[25] 243 of this 3 amendatory and supplementary³ act¹.

¹[<u>The casino space in such an approved hotel may be increased</u> <u>following the effective date of this amendatory and</u> <u>supplementary act on the basis of the following formula:</u>

(number of hotel rooms added) (amount of casino space that may be added)

(1,000 - number of hotel rooms on that effective date) (120,000 - amount of casino space on that effective date)]¹

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For the purpose of increasing casino space, an agreement approved by the commission for the addition of qualifying sleeping units within two years after ¹[approval of the agreement] the commencement of gaming operations in the additional casino space¹ shall be deemed an addition of those rooms, but if the agreement is not fulfilled due to conditions within the control of the casino licensee, the casino licensee shall close the additional casino space or any portion thereof as directed by the commission.

The calculation of the number of qualifying sleeping units added with respect to any such casino hotel shall not include any qualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room in existence in Atlantic City on the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or room is offered or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or any replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date.

(2) In the case of a hotel in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., c., in which a licensed casino was located and operated prior to, but not as of, that effective date, and in which a oasino is reestablished after that effective date, an approved hotel shall:

(a) contain at least the number of qualifying sleeping units, as defined in section 27 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), which it had on the date the casino ceased operations prior to the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, except that those units may be consolidated and reconfigured in order to form suites so long as there remain at least 500 qualifying sleeping units; and

(b) contain a casino of not more than the amount of casino space the casino had on the date it ceased operations prior to ¹[that] the¹ effective date ¹of this amendatory and supplementary act¹, ¹[except that the casino space may be increased if additional qualifying sleeping units are added as provided hereafter in this paragraph] unless the number of qualifying sleeping units under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph and the number of any qualifying sleeping units added after the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act permit an increase on the following basis: 50,000 square feet for the 5<u>00</u> qualifying sleeping units and first

10,000 square feet for each additional 100 qualifying sleeping units above 500, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet. No casino hotel which operates pursuant to this paragraph shall be required to reduce the amount of its casino space below the amount it had on the date it ceased operations unless the number of qualifying sleeping units is reduced below the number required in subparagraph (a) of this paragraph or, during the two years after the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, the amount of qualifying indoor public space³, including space serving as kitchen support facilities,³ is reduced in violation of section ³[25] 24³ of this ³amendatory and supplementary³ act¹.

¹[<u>The casino space in such an approved hotel may be increased</u> <u>following the effective date of this amendatory and</u> <u>supplementary act on the basis of the following formula:</u>

(number of hotel rooms added) (amount of casino space that may be added)

(1,000 - number of hotel rooms on date casino ceased operations) (120,000 - amount of casino space on date casino ceased operations)]¹

For the purpose of increasing casino space, an agreement approved by the commission for the addition of qualifying sleeping units within two years after ¹[approval of the agreement] the commencement of gaming operations in the additional casino space¹ shall be deemed an addition of those rooms, but if the agreement is not fulfilled due to conditions within the control of the casino licensee, the casino licensee shall close the additional casino space or any portion thereof as directed by the commission.

The calculation of the number of qualifying sleeping units added with respect to any such hotel shall not include any qualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room in existence in Atlantic City on the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or room is offered or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or any replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date.

c. In the case of a casino hotel not in operation prior to or on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, $^{1}p.L.$, c. 1 an approved hotel shall contain at least $^{1}[1,000]$ 500^{1} qualifying sleeping units, as defined in section 27 of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-27), and a single casino room of not more than $^{1}[120,000]$ 50,000¹ square feet 1 , except that for each additional 100 qualifying sleeping units above 500, the maximum size of the casino room may be increased by 10,000 square feet, up to a maximum of 200,000 square feet¹. The calculation of the number of qualifying sleeping units with respect to any such casino hotel shall not include any qualifying sleeping unit or other hotel or motel room in existence in Atlantic City on the effective date of this ¹amendatory and supplementary¹ act, whether or not that unit or room is offered or usable for occupancy on the effective date, or any replacement for such a unit or room which results from construction or renovation after the effective date.

d. Once a hotel is initially approved, the commission shall thereafter rely on the certification of the casino licensee with regard to the number of rooms and, when applicable, the amount of qualifying indoor public space and shall permit rehabilitation, renovation and alteration of any part of the approved hotel even if the rehabilitation, renovation, or alteration will mean that the casino licensee does not temporarily meet the requirements of subsection c. so long as the licensee certifies that the rehabilitation, renovation, or alteration shall be completed within one year.

e. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1987, c.352.)

f. [If an approved hotel shall provide more than the minimum number of qualifying sleeping units as hereinbefore defined than is required by subsection c. hereof, the maximum casino space may be permitted to increase by 40 square feet for each such excess sleeping unit.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L. , c. .)

g. [If a licensed facility shall provide more qualifying indoor public space as hereinbefore defined than is required by subsection c. hereof, the maximum allowable casino space may be permitted to increase by a figure representing one-half of the amount of such excess qualifying indoor public space, including space serving as kitchen support facilities.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L._, c._.)

h. [In no event may the total of the increased allowable casino space be permitted to exceed a figure representing the original maximum casino size.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L. , c. .)

i. The commission shall not impose any criteria or requirements regarding the contents of the hotel, including [qualifying] indoor public space, in addition to the criteria and requirements expressly specified in the "Casino Control Act," P.L. 1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.); provided, however, that the commission shall be authorized to require each casino licensee to establish and maintain an approved hotel which is in all respects a superior, first-class facility of exceptional quality which will help restore Atlantic City as a resort, tourist and convention destination.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.352, s.1)

REPLACE SECTION 24 TO READ:

 $^{-1}$ [23.] $^{-2}$ [25.1] 24.2 (New section) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 83 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-83) to the contrary, for a period of two years after the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act:

a. a casino hotel in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. , c. , shall, in addition to the number of qualifying sleeping units required by that section, contain sufficient qualifying indoor public space³, including space serving as kitchen support facilities,³ to provide the basis, in conjunction with the number of qualifying sleeping units, for the size of the casino in operation on that effective date, as determined by the provisions of section 83 which were in effect on the day before the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act; and

b. a hotel in operation—on—the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. , c. , in which a casino was located and operated prior to, but not as of, that effective date, and in which a casino is reestablished after that effective date, shall contain sufficient qualifying indoor ³<u>public</u>³ space³, including space serving as kitchen support facilities,³ to provide the basis, in conjunction with the number of qualifying sleeping units, for the size of the casino in operation on the date that it ceased operations prior to the effective date of this act, as determined by the provisions of section 83 which were applicable at that time.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.7)

REPLACE SECTION 26 TO READ:

 $1[25.] 2[27.1] 26.^{2}$ Section 85 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-85) is amended to read as follows:

85. Additional Requirements. a. In addition to other information required by this act, a corporation applying for a casino license shall provide the following information:

(1) The organization, financial structure and nature of all businesses operated by the corporation; the names and personal employment and criminal histories of all officers, directors and principal employees of the corporation; the names of all holding, intermediary and subsidiary companies of the corporation; and the organization, financial structure and nature of all businesses operated by such of its holding, intermediary and subsidiary companies as the commission may require, including names and personal employment and criminal histories of such officers, directors and principal employees of such corporations and companies as the commission may require;

(2) The rights and privileges acquired by the holders of different classes of authorized securities of such corporations and companies as the commission may require,

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including the names, addresses and amounts held by all holders of such securities;

(3) The terms upon which securities have been or are to be offered;

(4) The terms and conditions of all outstanding loans, mortgages, trust deeds, pledges or any other indebtedness or security devices utilized by the corporation;

(5) The extent of the equity security holding in the corporation of all officers, directors and underwriters, and their remuneration in the form of salary, wages, fees or otherwise;

(6) Names of persons other than directors and officers who occupy positions specified by the commission or whose compensation exceeds an amount determined by the commission, and the amount of their compensation;

(7) A description of all bonus and profit-sharing arrangements;

(8) Copies of all management and service contracts; and

(9) A listing of stock options existing or to be created.

b. If a corporation applying for a casino license is, or if a corporation holding a casino license is to become, a subsidiary, each holding company and each intermediary company with respect thereto must, as a condition of the said subsidiary acquiring or retaining such license, as the case may be:

(1) Qualify to do business in the State of New Jersey; and

(2) If it is a corporation, register with the commission and furnish the commission with all the information required of a corporate licensee as specified in subsection a. (1), (2) and (3) of this section and such other information as the commission may require; or

(3) If it is not a corporation, register with the commission and furnish the commission with such information as the commission may prescribe. [The commission may, in its discretion, make such investigations concerning the officers, directors, underwriters, security holders, partners, principals, trustees or persons owning or beneficially holding any interest in any holding company or intermediary company as it deems necessary, either at the time of initial registration or at any time thereafter.]

c. No corporation shall be eligible to hold a casino license unless each officer; each director; each person who directly or indirectly holds any beneficial interest or ownership of the securities issued by the corporation; any person who in the opinion of the commission has the ability to control the corporation or elect a majority of the board of directors of that corporation, other than a banking or other licensed lending institution which <u>makes a loan or</u> holds a mortgage or other lien acquired in the ordinary course of business; each principal employee; and any lender, underwriter, agent, employee of the

corporation, or other person whom the commission may consider appropriate for approval or qualification would, but for residence, individually be qualified for approval as a casino key employeepursuant to the provisions of this act.

d. No corporation which is a subsidiary shall be eligible to receive or hold a casino license unless each holding and intermediary company with respect thereto:

(1) If it is a corporation, shall comply with the provisions of subsection c. of this section as if said holding or intermediary company were itself applying for a casino license; provided, however, that the commission with the concurrence of the director may waive compliance with the provisions of subsection c. hereof on the part of a publicly-traded corporation which is a holding company as to any officer, director, lender, underwriter, agent or employee thereof, or person directly or indirectly holding a beneficial interest or ownership of the securities of such corporation, where the commission and the director are satisfied that such officer, director, lender, underwriter, agent or employee is not significantly involved in the activities of the corporate licensee, and in the case of security holders, does not have the ability to control the publicly-traded corporation or elect one or more directors thereof; or

(2) If it is not a corporation, shall comply with the provisions of subsection e. of this section as if said company were itself applying for a casino license.

e. Any noncorporate applicant for a casino license shall provide the information required in subsection a. of this section in such form as may be required by the commission. No such applicant shall be eligible to hold a casino license unless each person who directly or indirectly holds any beneficial interest or ownership in the applicant, or who in the opinion of the commission has the ability to control the applicant, or whom the commission may consider appropriate for approval or qualification, would, but for residence, individually be qualified for approval as a casino key employee pursuant to the provisions of this act.

f. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections c. and d. of this section, ¹and in the absence of a prima facie showing by the director that there is any cause to believe that the institutional investor may be found unqualified,¹ an institutional investor holding either (1) under 10% of the equity securities of a casino licensee's holding or intermediary companies, or (2) debt securities of a casino licensee's holding or intermediary companies ¹, or another subsidiary company of a casino licensee's holding or intermediary companies which is related in any way to the financing of the casino licensee,¹ where the securities represent a percentage of 3[1any issue of1 the company's debt] the outstanding debt of the company³ not <u>20%</u>3, exceeding **1**0 percentage of a

any-issue of the outstanding debt of the company not exceeding 50%,³ shall be granted a waiver of qualification if ¹such securities are ³those of a³ publicly traded ³corporation³ and¹ its holdings of such securities were purchased for investment purposes only and upon request by the commission it files with the commission a certified statement to the effect that it has no intention of influencing or affecting the affairs of the issuer, the casino licensee or its holding or intermediary companies; provided, however, that it shall be permitted to vote on matters put to the vote of the outstanding security holders. The commission may grant a waiver of gualification to an institutional investor holding a higher percentage of such securities upon a showing of good cause and if the conditions specified above are met. ¹Any institutional investor granted a waiver under this subsection which subsequently determines to influence or affect the affairs of the issuer shall provide not less than 30 days' notice of such intent and shall file with the commission an application for qualification before taking any action that may influence or affect the affairs of the issuer; provided, however, that it shall be permitted to vote on matters put to the vote of the outstanding security holders.¹ If an institutional investor changes its investment intent, or if the commission finds reasonable cause to believe that the institutional investor may be found unqualified, no action other than divestiture shall be taken by such investor with respect to its security holdings until there has been compliance with the provisions of P.L.1987, c.409 (C.5:12-95.12 et seq.), including the execution of a trust agreement. ³The casino licensee and its relevant holding, intermediary or subsidiary company shall immediately notify the commission and the division of any information_about,-or-actions-of,-an-institutional-investor-holding its equity or debt securities where such information or action may impact upon the eligibility of such institutional investor for a waiver pursuant to this subsection,³

g. If at any time the commission finds that an institutional investor holding any security ¹[of a casino licensee or]¹ of a holding or intermediary company ¹[with respect thereto] of a casino licensee, or, where relevant, of another subsidiary company of a holding or intermediary company of a casino licensee which is related in any way to the financing of the casino licensee,¹ fails to comply with the terms of subsection f. of this section, or if at any time the commission finds that, by reason of the extent or nature of its holdings, an institutional investor is in a position to exercise such a substantial impact upon the controlling interests of a licensee that qualification of the institutional investor is necessary to protect the public interest, commission may. in accordance the with the

provisions of 1subsections a. through e. of this section or 1 subsections d. and e. of section 105 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-105), take any necessary action to protect the public interest, including requiring such an institutional investor to be qualified pursuant to the provisions of the "Casino Control Act," P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.9)

REPLACE SECTION 28 TO READ:

^{2[129.]} <u>28.² Section 88 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-88) is</u> amended to read as follows:

88. Renewal of Casino Licenses a. Subject to the power of the commission to deny, revoke, or suspend licenses, any casino license in force shall be renewed by the commission for the next succeeding license period upon proper application for renewal and payment of license fees and taxes as required by law and the regulations of the commission. The license period for a renewed casino license shall be $3up to^3$ one year for $3each of^3$ the first two renewal periods succeeding the initial issuance of a casino license pursuant to section 87 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-87). Thereafter, a casino license $3[shall] \underline{may}^3$ be renewed for a period of up to two years, but the commission may reopen licensing hearings at any time. In addition, the commission shall reopen licensing hearings at any time at the request of the Division of Gaming Enforcement in the Department of Law and Public Safety. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the commission may, for the purpose of facilitating its administration of this act, renew the casino license of the holders of licenses initially opening after January 1, 1981 for a period of one year; provided, however, the renewal period for those particular casino licenses may not be adjusted-more-than-once-pursuant-to-this-provision. The commission shall act upon any such application prior to the date of expiration of the current license.

b. Application for renewal shall be filed with the commission no later than 90 days prior to the expiration of the current license, and all license fees and taxes as required by law shall be paid to the commission on or before the date of expiration of the current license.

c. Upon renewal of any license the commission shall issue an appropriate renewal certificate or validating device or sticker which shall be attached to each casino license.¹ (cf: P.L.1987, c.354, s.11)

REPLACE SECTION 35 TO READ:

1[33.] 2[36.1] 35.2 Section 97 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-97) is amended to read as follows:

97. Hours of Operation. a. No casino licensed pursuant to this act shall operate between the hours of

[6] $1[\underline{8}] \underline{6}^1$ a.m. and 10 a.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and State and Federal holidays, or between the hours of 4 a.m. and 10 a.m. on all other days, except that for a period of three years following the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L., c., the commission may extend the hours of operation $3[on any day]^3$, up to and including 24 hours of operation, $3[\underline{if}]$ on any Saturday, Sunday, or State or Federal holiday, or on any day on which³ the commission determines that there is an event to be held in a casino or in Atlantic City that will have a substantial citywide impact with respect to the number of visitors to the city and will have an economic impact on the casino industry which would justify the extension of those hours.

b. A casino licensee shall file with the commission a schedule of hours prior to the issuance of an initial operation certificate. If the casino licensee proposes any change in scheduled hours, such change may not be effected until such licensee files a notice of the new schedule of hours with the commission. Such filing must be made 30 days prior to the effective date of the proposed change in hours.

c. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit a casino licensee in opening its casino later than, or closing its casino earlier than, the times stated in its schedule of operating hours; provided, however, that any such alterations in its hours shall comply with the provisions of subsection a. of this section and with regulations of the commission pertaining to such alterations.

(cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.97)

REPLACE SECTION 38 TO READ:

1[36.] 2[39.1] 38.2 Section 100 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-100) is amended to read as follows:

100. Games and Gaming Equipment. a. This act shall not be construed to permit any gaming except the conduct of authorized games in a casino room in accordance with this act and the regulations promulgated hereunder.

b. Gaming equipment shall not be possessed, maintained or exhibited by any person on the premises of a casino hotel complex except in the casino room and in secure areas used for the inspection, repair or storage of such equipment and specifically designated for that purpose by the casino licensee with the approval of the commission. No gaming equipment shall be possessed, maintained, exhibited, brought into or removed from a casino room by any person unless such equipment is necessary to the conduct of an authorized game, has permanently affixed, imprinted, impressed or engraved thereon an identification number or symbol authorized by the commission, is under the exclusive control of a casino licensee or his employees, and is brought into or removed from the casino room at times authorized for that purpose by the commission or at other times when prior notice has

been given to and written approval granted by an authorized agent of the commission.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a person may, with the prior approval of the commission and under such terms and conditions as may be required by the commission, possess, maintain or exhibit gaming equipment in any other area of the casino hotel complex; provided such equipment is used for nongaming purposes. c. Each casino hotel shall contain a count room and such other secure facilities as may be required by the commission for the counting_and_storage_of_cash, coins, tokens_and_checks_received_in the conduct of gaming and for the inspection, counting and storage of dice, cards, chips and other representatives of value. All drop boxes and other devices wherein cash, coins, or tokens are deposited at the gaming tables or in slot machines, and all areas wherein such boxes and devices are kept while in use, shall be equipped with two locking devices, one key to which shall be under the exclusive control of the commission and the other under the exclusive control of the casino licensee, and said drop boxes and other devices shall not be brought into or removed from the casino room, or locked or unlocked, except at such times, in such places, and according to such procedures as the commission may require.

d. All chips used in gaming at all casinos shall be of such size and uniform color by denomination as the commission shall require by regulation.

e. All gaming shall be conducted according to rules promulgated by the commission. All wagers and pay-offs of winning wagers at table games shall be made according to rules promulgated by the commission, which shall establish such minimum wagers and other limitations as may be necessary to assure the vitality of casino operations and fair odds to and maximum participation by casino patrons; provided, however, that a licensee may establish a higher minimum wager with the prior approval of the commission. Each slot machine shall have a minimum payout of 83%.

f. Each casino licensee shall make available in printed form to any casino patron upon request the complete text of the rules of the commission regarding games and the conduct of gaming, pay-offs of winning wagers, an approximation of the odds of winning for each wager, and such other advice to the player as the commission shall require. Each casino licensee shall prominently post within the casino room according to regulations of the commission such information about gaming rules, pay-offs of winning wagers, the odds of winning for each wager, and such other advice to the player as the commission shall require.

g. Each gaming table shall be equipped with a sign indicating the permissible minimum and maximum wagers pertaining thereto. It shall be unlawful for a casino

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licensee to require any wager to be greater than the stated minimum or less than the stated maximum; provided, however, that any wager actually made by a patron and not rejected by a casino licensee prior to the commencement of play shall be treated as a valid wager.

h. No slot machine shall be used to conduct gaming-unless it is identical in all electrical, mechanical and other aspects to a model thereof which has been specifically tested by the division and licensed for use by the commission. The commission shall, by regulation, establish such technical standards for licensure; including mechanical and electrical reliability, security against tampering, the comprehensibility of wagering, and noise and light levels, as it may deem necessary to protect the player from fraud or deception and to insure the integrity of gaming. In no event shall slot machines, including walkways between them, occupy more than [30%] 1[40%] $3[42\%^1]$ $45\%^3$ of the first 50,000 square feet of floor space of a casino, or more than [25%] 1[30%] 32%¹ of any additional floor space of a casino larger than 50,000 square feet in the case of a casino hotel with fewer than 1,200 qualifying sleeping units or more than 1[40%] 3[42%1] 45%3 of such additional floor space in the case of a casino hotel with at least 1,200 gualifying sleeping units. In the case of casinos in operation on the effective date of this amendatory and supplementary act, P.L. , c. , up to 10% of the number of slot machines in operation on that effective date may be added by the end of the first year after the effective date, up to 20% of that number may be added by the end of the second year after the effective date, and up to 30% of that number may be added by the end of the third year after the effective date. The commission shall, by regulation, determine the permissible density of particular licensed slot machines or combinations thereof, based upon their size and light-and-noise levels, so as to create and maintain a gracious playing environment in the casino and to avoid deception or frequent distraction to players at gaming tables. The denominations of such machines shall be set by the licensee, subject to the prior approval of the commission.

i. [Each casino shall be arranged in such fashion as to allow floor space for each gaming table, including the space occupied by the table, in accordance with the following:

Baccarat--300 square feet

Blackjack--100 square feet

Craps--200 square feet

Roulette--150 square feet

Big Six Wheel--150 square feet] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c. .)

j. [Each casino shall be arranged in such fashion as to assure that gaming tables shall at all times be present, whether in use or not, according to the

following:

(1) At least one baccarat or minibaccarat table for every 50,000 square feet of casino space or part thereof; and

(2) No more than one Big Six Wheel and table for every 10,000 square feet of casino space or part thereof.] [Deleted by amendment, P.L., c. .]

k. It shall be unlawful for any person to exchange or redeem chips for anything whatsoever, except currency, negotiable personal checks, negotiable counter checks or other chips. A casino-licensee shall, upon the request of any person, redeem that licensee's gaming chips surrendered by that person in any amount over \$25.00 with a check drawn upon the licensee's account at any banking institution in this State and made payable to that person.

1. It shall be unlawful for any casino licensee or 1[his] its¹ agents or employees to employ, contract with, or use any shill or barker to induce any person to enter a casino or play at any game or for any purpose whatsoever.

m. It shall be unlawful for a dealer in any authorized game in which cards are dealt to deal cards by hand or other than from a device specifically designed for that purpose.

n. It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee, other than a junket representative, or any casino employee, other than a bartender, waiter, waitress, or other casino employee who in the judgment of the commission is not directly involved with the conduct of gaming operations, to wager at any game in any casino in this State.

o. (1) It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee or boxman, floorman, or any other casino employee who shall serve in a supervisory position to solicit or accept, and for any other casino employee to solicit, any tip or gratuity from any player or patron at the casino where he is employed.

(2) A dealer may accept tips or gratuities from a patron at the table at which such dealer is conducting play, subject to the provisions of this subsection. All such tips or gratuities shall be immediately deposited in a lockbox reserved for that purpose, accounted for, and placed in a pool for distribution pro rata among the dealers [on a weekly basis], with the distribution based upon the number of hours each dealer has worked.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.7)

REPLACE SECTION 39 TO READ:

1[37.] 2[40.1] 39.2 Section 101 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-101) is amended to read as follows:

101. Credit. a. Except as otherwise provided in this section, no casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person

licensed under this act, shall:

(1) Cash any check, make any loan, or otherwise provide or allow to any person any credit or advance of anything of value or which represents value to enable any person to take part in gaming activity as a player; or

(2) Release or discharge any debt, either in whole or in part, or make any loan which represents any losses incurred by any player in gaming activity, without maintaining a written record thereof in accordance with the rules of the commission.

b. No casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, may accept a check, other than a recognized traveler's check or other cash equivalent from any person to enable such person to take part in gaming activity as a player, or may give cash or cash equivalents in exchange for such check unless:

(1) The check is made payable to the casino licensee;

(2) The check is dated, but not postdated;

(3) The check is presented to the cashier or his representative and is exchanged only for a credit slip or slips which total an amount equal to the amount for which the check is drawn, which slip or slips may be presented for chips at a gaming table; and

(4) The regulations concerning check cashing procedures are observed by the casino licensee and its employees and agents.

Nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to preclude the establishment of an account by any person with a casino licensee by a deposit of cash [or], recognized traveler's check or other cash equivalent, or a check which meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section, or to preclude the withdrawal, either in whole or in part, of any amount contained in such account.

c. When a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, or any person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, cashes a check in conformity with the requirements of subsection b. of this section, the casino licensee shall cause the deposit of such check in a bank for collection or payment within (1) seven calendar days of the date of the transaction for a check in an amount of \$1,000.00 or less; (2) 14 calendar days of the date of the transaction for a check in an amount greater than \$1,000.00but less than or equal to \$5,000.00; or (3) 45 calendar days of the date of the transaction for a check in an amount greater than \$5,000.00. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the drawer of the check may redeem the check by exchanging cash [or], cash equivalents, chips, or a check which meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section in an amount equal to the amount for which the check is drawn; or he may redeem the check in part by exchanging cash

[or], cash equivalents, chips, or a check which meets the requirements of subsection g. of this section and another check which meets the requirements of subsection b. of this section for the difference between the original check and the cash [or], cash equivalents, chips, or check tendered; or he may issue one check which meets the requirements of subsection b. of this section in an amount sufficient to redeem two or more checks drawn to the order of the casino licensee. If there has been a partial redemption or a consolidation in conformity with the provisions of this subsection, the newly issued check shall be delivered to a bank for collection or payment within the period herein specified. No casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, shall accept any check or series of checks in redemption or consolidation of another check or checks in accordance with this subsection for the purpose of avoiding or delaying the deposit of a check in a bank for collection or payment within the time period prescribed by this subsection.

In computing a time period prescribed by this subsection, the last day of the period shall be included unless it is a Saturday, Sunday, or a State or federal holiday, in which event the time period shall run until the next business day.

d. No casino licensee or any other person licensed under this act, or any other person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act, shall transfer, convey, or give, with or without consideration, a check cashed in conformity with the requirements of this section to any person other than:

(1) The drawer of the check upon redemption or consolidation in accordance with subsection c. of this section;

(2) A bank for collection or payment of the check; or

(3) A purchaser of the casino license as approved by the commission. The limitation on transferability of checks imposed herein shall apply to checks returned by any bank to the casino licensee without full and final payment.

e. No person other than one licensed as a casino key employee or as a casino employee may engage in efforts to collect upon checks that have been returned by banks without full and final payment, except that an attorney-at-law representing a casino licensee may bring action for such collection.

f. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, checks cashed in conformity with the requirements of this act shall be valid instruments, enforceable at law in the courts of this State. Any check cashed, transferred, conveyed or given in violation of

this act shall be invalid and unenforceable for the purposes of collection but shall be included in the calculation of gross revenue pursuant to section 24 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-24).

<u>g.</u> Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. of this section to the contrary, a casino licensee may accept a check from a person to enable the person to take part in gaming activity as a player, [or] may give cash or cash equivalents in exchange for ¹[the] such a¹ check, or may accept a check in redemption or partial redemption of a check issued in accordance with subsection b., provided that:

(1) (a) The check is drawn by a casino licensee pursuant to the provisions of subsection k. of section 100 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-100 k.) or upon a withdfawal of funds from an account established in accordance with the provisions of subsection b. of this section or is drawn by a casino licensee for winnings from slot machine payoffs;

(b) The check is issued by a banking institution which is chartered in a country other than the United States on its account at a federally chartered or state-chartered bank and is made payable to "cash," "bearer," a casino licensee, or the person presenting the check; or

(c) The check is issued by a banking institution which is chartered in the United States on its account at another federally chartered or state-chartered bank and is made payable to "cash," "bearer," a casino licensee, or the person presenting the check;

(2) The check is identifiable in a manner approved by the commission as a check issued for a purpose listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection;

(3) The check is dated, but not postdated;

(4) The check is presented to the cashier or the cashier's representative by the original payee and its validity is verified by the drawer 1 in the case of a check drawn pursuant to subparagraph (a) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, or the check is verified in accordance with regulations promulgated by the commission in the case of a check issued pursuant to subparagraph (b) or subparagraph (c) of paragraph (1) of this subsection¹; and

(5) The regulations concerning check cashing procedures are observed by the casino licensee and its employees and agents.

No casino licensee shall issue a check for the purpose of making a loan or otherwise providing or allowing any advance or credit to a person to enable the person to take part in gaming activity as a player.

h. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. and subsection c. of this section to the contrary, a casino licensee may, at a location outside the casino, accept a personal check or checks from a person for up to ³[\$2,500] \$1,500³ in exchange for cash or cash

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equivalents, and may, at 1[a cashier's cage] such locations within the casino as may be permitted by the commission¹, accept a personal check or checks for up to 3[\$2,500] $$1,500^3$ in exchange for cash, cash equivalents, tokens, chips, or plaques to enable the person to take part in gaming activity as a player or non-gaming activity, as the case may be, provided that:

(1) The check is drawn on the patron's bank or brokerage cash management account;

(2) The check is for a specific amount;

(3) The check is ¹[make] made¹ payable to the casino licensee;
 (4) The check is dated but not post-dated;

(5) The patron's identity is established by examination of one of the following: valid credit card, driver's license, passport, or other form of identification credential which contains, "at a minimum, the patron's signature;

(6) The check is restrictively endorsed "For Deposit Only" to the casino licensee's bank account and deposited on the next banking day following the date of the transaction; ¹and¹

(7) ¹[No other check or checks are outstanding.] The total amount of personal checks accepted by ³[all licensees] any one licensee³ pursuant to this subsection that are outstanding at any time, including the current check being submitted ³[to a licensee]³, does not exceed ³[\$2,500] $$1,500^3$.¹

i. Checks cashed pursuant to the provisions of subsection h. of this section which are subsequently uncollectable may not be deducted from the total of all sums received in calculating gross revenue pursuant to section 24 of P.L.1977, c.110 $(C.5:12-24)^{1}[_{i}]_{i}^{1}$

j. A person may request the commission to put that person's name on a list of persons to whom the extension of credit by a casino as provided in this section would be prohibited ¹by submitting to the commission the person's name, address, and date of birth¹. The person does not need to provide a reason for this request. The commission shall provide this list to the credit department of each casino; neither the commission nor the credit department of a casino shall divulge the names on this list to any person or entity other than those provided for in this subsection. If such a person wishes to have that person's name removed from the list, the person shall submit this request to the commission, which shall so inform the credit departments of casinos no later than three days after the submission of the request.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.426, s.4)

REPLACE SECTION 53 TO READ:

 2 [154.] 53.² Section 121 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-121) is amended to read as follows:

121. Authority of gaming licensee and agents to detain

or question persons suspected of cheating; immunity from liability; posted notice required.

a. Any licensee or its officers, employees or agents may question any individual in the casino reasonably suspected of violating any of the provisions of sections 113 through 116 of [this act] P.L.1977, c.110 [C.5:12-113 through 116] or of section 3[47] 46³ of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill). No licensee or its officers, employees or agents shall be criminally or civilly liable by reason of any such questioning.

b. Any licensee or its officers, employees or agents who shall have probable cause for believing there has been a violation of sections 113 through 116 of [this act] P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-113 through 116) or of section 3[47] 463 of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) in the casino by any person may take such person into custody and detain him in the establishment in a reasonable manner for a reasonable length of time, for the purpose of notifying law enforcement or commission authorities. Such taking into custody and detention shall not render such licensee or its officers, employees or agents criminally or civilly liable for false arrest, false imprisonment, slander or unlawful detention, unless such taking into custody or detention is unreasonable under all of the circumstances.

c. No licensee or his officers, employees or agents shall be entitled to any immunity from civil or criminal liability provided in this section unless there is displayed in a conspicuous manner in the casino a notice in bold face type clearly legible and in substantially this form:

'Any gaming licensee or officer, employee or agent thereof who has probable cause for believing that any person is violating any of the provisions of the Casino Control Act prohibiting cheating or swindling in gaming may detain such person in the establishment for the purpose of notifying a police officer or Casino Control Commission authorities."¹

(cf: P.L.1977, c.110, s.121)

REPLACE SECTION 56 TO READ:

¹[53.]²[<u>57.1] 56.</u>² Section 32 of P.L.1978, c.7.(C:5:12-130.2) is amended to read as follows:

32. Powers, Authorities and Duties of Conservators.

a. Upon his appointment, the conservator shall become vested with the title of all the property of the former or suspended licensee relating to the casino and the approved hotel, subject to any and all valid liens, claims, and encumbrances. The conservator shall have the duty to conserve and preserve the assets so acquired to the end that such assets shall continue to be operated on a sound and businesslike basis.

 \sim b. Subject to the [general] <u>direct</u> supervision of the commission and pursuant to the written instructions of the commission issued pursuant to section ³[52] 55³ of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) and any [specific] other order [it] the commission may deem appropriate, a conservator shall have power to:

(1) Take into his possession all the property of the former or suspended licensee relating to the casino and the approved hotel, including its books, records and papers;

(2) Institute and defend actions by or on behalf of the former or suspended licensee;

(3) Settle or compromise with any debtor or creditor of the former or suspended licensee, including any taxing authority;

(4) Continue the business of the former or suspended licensee and to that end enter into contracts, borrow money and pledge, mortgage or otherwise encumber the property of the former or suspended licensee as security for the repayment of the conservator's loans; provided, however, that such power shall be subject to any provisions and restrictions in any existing credit documents;

(5) Hire, fire and discipline employees;

(6) Review all outstanding agreements to which the former or suspended licensee is a party that fall within the purview of section 104b. of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-104b.) and advise the commission as to which, if any, of such agreements should be the subject of scrutiny, examination or investigation by the commission; and

(7) Do all further acts as shall best fulfill the purposes of the Casino Control Act.

c. Except during the pendency of a suspension or during the pendency of any appeal from any action or event set forth in section 31 a. of this amendatory and supplementary act which precipitated the conservatorship or in instances in which the commission finds that the interests of justice so require, the conservator, subject to the prior approval of and in accordance with such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the commission, and after appropriate prior consultation with the former licensee as to the reasonableness of such terms and conditions, shall endeavor to and be authorized to sell, assign, convey or otherwise dispose of in bulk, subject to any and all valid liens, claims, and encumbrances, all the property of a former licensee relating to the casino and the approved hotel only upon prior written notice to all creditors and other parties in interest and only to such persons who shall be eligible to apply for and shall qualify as a casino licensee in accordance with the provisions of the Casino Control Act. Prior to any such sale, the former licensee

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shall be granted, upon request, a summary review by the commission of such proposed sale.

d. The commission may direct that the conservator, for an indefinite period of time, retain the property and continue the business of the former or suspended licensee relating to the casino and the approved hotel. During such period of time or any period of operation by the conservator, he shall pay when due, without in any way being personally liable, all secured obligations and shall not be immune from foreclosure or other legal proceedings to collect the secured debt, nor with respect thereto shall such conservator have any legal rights, claims, or defenses other than those which would have been available to the former or suspended licensee.

e. A conservator shall cooperate fully with any investigation or inquiry conducted by the commission or the division during the conservatorship or after the discontinuation of the conservatorship.

(cf: P.L.1987, c.410, s.16)

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GOVERNOR FLORIO SIGNS LEGISLATION BOOSTING CASINOS Law Will Enable Casino Industry to Stay Competitive

Governor Jim Florio today signed legislation providing casinos more flexibility to increase games and hours, while maintaining strict control over potential areas of abuse. This legislation is intended to help the casino industry grow and remain competitive.

"Atlantic City is the jewel of our Jersey Shore. Today, we're going to make this jewel shine a little brighter for the people who come here. We're making sure the casinos fulfill the promise of helping Atlantic City develop to it's full potential," said Governor Florio. "It's just one more step in making this area a premier New Jersey location for vacationers and conventions."

The bill, S 3279/A 5025, sponsored by Senators Richard Codey and Bill Gormley, and Assemblyman Fred Scerni, expands the scope of casinos in several areas. Combined with the expansion of the Atlantic City airport and plans for a new convention center, these efforts are expected to not only boost the industry, but help Atlantic City fulfill its potential laid out when casinos first were built.

The law allows the casinos to remain open around the clock at the discretion of the Casino Control Commission on weekends, holidays and during periods when there is an event that has city-wide impact. In addition, the law provides incentives for hotels to provide more hotel rooms by allowing them to expand casino space. It also provides for the expansion of slot machines and new games. At the same time, the law assures strong consumer safeguards and boost efforts to help compulsive gamblers.

"Everyone in New Jersey has a vital stake in Atlantic City particularly with the casinos," said the Governor. "We want to make sure they're run right and we want to make sure that people have a good time when they come here."

"We're investing in Atlantic City's future today so that people around the world will come here as a matter of first choice. The changes in this bill are going to help everyone -- from our visitors to the people who live here," said Governor Florio. "Because New Jersey works best when it invests in itself. This bill is a step forward for Atlantic City and it's one more way we'll make New Jersey work for everyone."

FACT SHEET

The new amendments to the Casino Control Act accomplish a number of initiatives to boost casino services and also protect industry integrity. Some of the major initiatives include:

GAMING:

- Permits 24-hour gaming on weekends, holidays and during periods of time when there is an event with city-wide impact at the discretion of the Casino Control Commission.
- Authorizes the additional games of Red Dog, Pai Gow and Sic Bo. The CCC has the ability to authorize a six-month test period for additional games, during which the commission may recommend to the Governor and the Legislature that the authorization be provided by statute.
- Casinos will be permitted to commit up to 45 percent of their total casino floor space to slot machines. This increase, up from 30 percent, will be phased in over a three-year period.

INDUSTRY CHANGES:

- Changes the formula for determining the maximum allowable casino size, now basing it on the number of the licensee's hotel rooms. New casino hotels must have at least 500 rooms, which would entitle them to casino space of up to 200,000 square feet. Existing casino hotels that add to their present number of rooms would be entitled to expanded casino space of 10,000 square feet for each additional 100 rooms over 500, up to the same maximum of 200,000 square feet. Casinos can receive credit for existing rooms over limits.
- Changes the definition of casino employee to downgrade the licensure of maintenance personnel, waiters, waitresses, secretaries and hotel security guards to registrant, provided they are not involved in the maintenance or operation of gaming activity.
- CCC will no longer review aesthetic plans for a casino. The public space requirements are deleted. Two or more buildings can be connected to qualify as a casino hotel.
- Eliminates regulations governing entertainment and advertising of nongaming activity. Advertising as it relates to gaming activity continues to be regulated by the CCC.

INDUSTRY/CUSTOMER SAFEGUARDS:

- The appointment of a conservator for a casino in financial trouble is made permissive rather than mandatory in order to give the CCC more flexibility in dealing with such circumstances.
- Monies from penalties levied and collected by CCC are to be paid into the Casino Revenue Fund, except that the first \$500,000 collected each fiscal year shall be used to support the Council on Compulsive Gambling in New Jersey.

Gaming print advertising must include "If You or Someone You Know Has a Gambling Problem and Wants Help, Call 1-800-GAMBLER, in addition to "Bet With Your Head, Not Over It." A person may request the CCC to put his/her name on a list of persons to whom the extension of credit by a casino is prohibited. The use of an electronic device by a player to gain advantage while playing a game is prohibited

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