

5:9-7.1

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 5:9-7.1 (Slot machines - prohibits use in lotteries)

LAWS OF: 1983 CHAPTER: 80

Bill No: S1727

Sponsor(s): Codey and Graves

Date Introduced: Sept. 23, 1982

Committee: Assembly: Independent Authorities and Commissions

Senate: State Govt., Federal & Interstate Relations & Veterans Affairs

Amended during passage: Yes // Amendments during passage denoted by asterisks. Substituted for A1964 (not attached since identical to S1717)

Date of Passage: Assembly: Feb. 28, 1983

Senate: Jan. 24, 1983

Date of Approval: March 1, 1983

Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement: Yes // (Below)

Committee statement: Assembly Yes //

Senate Yes //

Fiscal Note: /// No

Veto Message: /// No

Message on Signing: Yes //

Following were printed:

Reports: /// No

Hearings: /// No

Sponsors' statement:

This bill prohibits the use of slot machine devices in any lottery game.

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SENATE, No. 1727

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 23, 1982

By Senators CODEY and GRAVES

Referred to Committee on State Government, Federal and
Interstate Relations and Veterans Affairs

AN ACT concerning lottery games and supplementing P. L. 1970,
c. 13 (C. 5:9-1 et seq.).

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
2 no lottery or type of lottery or lottery game shall be authorized or
3 conducted which uses any **video** mechanical, electrical or other
4 **video** device, contrivance or machine which, upon the insertion
5 **by the participant** of a coin, token or similar object therein, or
6 upon payment of any consideration whatsoever, is available to play
7 or operate, the play or operation of which, whether by reason of
8 the skill of the operator or application of the element of chance, or
9 both, may deliver or entitle the person playing or operating the
10 machine to receive cash, tokens to be exchanged for cash, or any
11 other prize, whether the payoff is made automatically from the
12 machine or in any other manner whatsoever.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Matter printed in italics *thus* is new matter.

Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

***—Senate committee amendments adopted December 13, 1982.**

**ASSEMBLY INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES AND
COMMISSIONS COMMITTEE**

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1727

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 14, 1983

This bill, as amended by the Senate State Government Committee,
prohibits the use of video slot machine devices in any lottery game.

SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL AND
INTERSTATE RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1727

with Senate committee amendment

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 13, 1982

This bill prohibits the use of video slot machine devices in any lottery game.

The bill was amended to insure that it would only apply to the video lottery games proposed by the State Lottery Commission.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

RELEASE: IMMEDIATELY

CONTACT: PAUL WOLCOTT

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 1983

Governor Thomas H. Kean today signed S-1727, sponsored by State Senator Richard J. Codey, (D-Essex), which prohibits the use of video lottery machines by the Lottery Commission.

The Governor issued the following statement:

"The votes on this bill in both Houses of the Legislature indicate an extremely strong degree of support for the measure. The lottery is a vital source of revenue for our State, and for some of its most important programs, including our public schools, education for the deaf and programs for disabled veterans, the mentally retarded and the mentally ill.

"Thus it is critical that public perceptions of the operations of the lottery remain completely above reproach.

"Therefore, even though the video lottery could have raised additional money to support those programs, I have determined that continued public faith in the lottery requires that this bill become law."

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