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SENATE, No. 3760

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 8, 1983

By Senators CODEY and GORMLEY

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

AN ACT to amend the "Casino Control Act," approved June 2, 1977
(P. L. 1977, c. 110).

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

1 1. Section 96 of P. L. 1977, c. 110 (C. 5:12-96) is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 96. Operation Certificate. a. Notwithstanding the issuance of a
4 license therefor, no casino may be opened or remain open to the
5 public, and no gaming activity, except for test purposes, may be
6 conducted therein, unless and until a valid operation certificate has
7 been issued to the casino licensee by the commission. Such certifi-
8 cate shall be issued by the commission upon a finding that a casino
9 complies in all respects with the requirements of this act and
10 regulations promulgated hereunder, that the casino licensee has
11 implemented necessary management controls and security precau-
12 tions, that casino personnel are properly trained and licensed for
13 their respective responsibilities, and that the casino is prepared
14 in all respects to receive the public.

15 b. The operation certificate shall include a statement of com-
16 pliance with subsection a. of this section and an itemized list by
17 category and number of the authorized games permitted in the
18 particular casino establishment.

19 c. A casino licensee shall notify the commission 30 days in
20 advance of any proposed change in the number of authorized
21 games to be played in a particular casino, and shall request the
22 issuance of an operation certificate which permits such changes

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

23 to occur. The commission shall issue a revised operation certificate
24 unless it finds that the planned change in authorized games does not
25 conform to the requirements of this act or regulations promulgated
26 hereunder, or that there has been a change of circumstances in the
27 casino or with respect to the casino licensee materially affecting
28 compliance with subsection a. of this section.

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

33 e. It shall be an express condition of continued operation under
34 this act that a casino licensee shall maintain all books, records, and
35 documents pertaining to the licensee's operations [on the licensed
36 premises immediately available for inspection during all hours of
37 operation. All such books, records, and documents shall be main-
38 tained for a period of not less than seven years] *and approved*
39 *hotel in a manner and location within this State approved by the*
40 *commission. All such books, records and documents shall be im-*
41 *mediately available for inspection during all hours of operation in*
42 *accordance with the rules of the commission and shall be maintained*
43 *for a period of seven years or such other period of time as the com-*
44 *mission shall require.*

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill eliminates the present requirement that a casino licensee maintain on the licensed premises all books, records, and documents pertaining to the licensee's operations. Instead, those materials may be stored at another location within the State which is approved by the Casino Control Commission. The volume of records generated by licensees to date has demonstrated that the information required to be stored in original form on the licensed premises will rapidly exceed the available storage space.

The bill also allows the commission to require the storage of books, records, and documents for periods of time other than the mandated seven years.

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

STATEMENT TO
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The statement appended to the bill adequately explains its provisions
and purposes.

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