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# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#### **INTRODUCED MARCH 30, 1992**

By Senators DIMON, CODEY, Gormley and Palaia

AN ACT concerning wagering on the results of certain simulcast horse races, supplementing Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, <sup>2</sup>amending P.L.1940, c.17,<sup>2</sup> and amending and supplementing 3 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). 4

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#### BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. (New section) Sections 1 through 20 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the "Casino Simulcasting Act."
  - 2. (New section) As used in sections 1 through 20 of this act:
- "Casino" means a licensed casino or gambling house located in Atlantic City at which casino gambling is conducted pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.).

"Casino simulcasting" means the simultaneous transmission by picture of running or harness horse races conducted at race tracks to casinos and parimutuel wagering at those gambling establishments on the results of those races.

"In-State sending track" means a racetrack within this State which is operated by a permit holder and is equipped to conduct casino simulcasting.

"Interstate common pool" means a parimutuel pool established within this State or in another state or foreign nation within which is combined parimutuel pools of one or more receiving tracks located in one or more states or foreign nations upon a race at a sending track located outside of this State for the purpose of establishing pay-off prices in the various jurisdictions.

"Out-of-State sending track" means a racetrack in a jurisdiction other than the State of New Jersey which is equipped to conduct casino simulcasting and the operator of which is lawfully permitted to conduct a horse race meeting and to provide simulcast horse races to a casino in this State.

"Outstanding parimutuel ticket" means a winning parimutuel ticket which is not claimed within six months of sale.

"Permit holder" means the holder of an annual permit to conduct a horse race meeting issued by the New Jersey Racing Commission.

"Simulcast horse race" means a running or harness horse race conducted at a racetrack which is simultaneously transmitted by picture to a casino.

40 3. (New section) It shall be lawful for a casino to conduct casino simulcasting with any in-State sending track and with any 41 42 out-of-State sending track in accordance with the provisions of 43 this act, the applicable regulations of the New Jersey Racing

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

Commission and the New Jersey Casino Control Commission and any joint regulations of these commissions promulgated pursuant to this act.

- 4. (New section) a. (1) A casino which wishes to conduct casino simulcasting shall establish a simulcasting facility as part of the casino hotel. The simulcasting facility may be adjacent to, but shall not be part of, the room in which casino gaming is conducted pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.). The simulcast facility shall conform to all requirements concerning square footage, equipment, security measures and related matters which the Casino Control Commission shall by regulation prescribe. The space required for the establishment of a simulcasting facility shall not reduce the space authorized for casino gaming activities as specified in section 83 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-83). The cost of establishing, maintaining and operating a simulcasting facility shall be the sole responsibility of the casino.
- (2) Wagering on simulcast horse races shall be conducted only in the simulcasting facility, which shall be open and operated whenever simulcast horse races are being transmitted to the casino during permitted hours of casino operation.
- (3) Any authorized game, as defined in section 5 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-5), other than slot machines may be conducted in a simulcasting facility subject to the rules and regulations of the Casino Control Commission.
- (4) The security measures for a simulcasting facility shall include the installation by the casino of a closed circuit television system according to specifications approved by the Casino Control Commission. The Casino Control Commission and the Division of Gaming Enforcement shall have access to the system or its signal in accordance with regulations of the commission.
- b. All persons engaged directly in wagering-related activities conducted by a casino in a simulcasting facility shall be employees of the casino and shall be licensed as casino employees or casino key employees, as appropriate. All other employees of the simulcasting facility shall be licensed or registered in accordance with regulations of the Casino Control Commission.

Any employee at the Atlantic City Racetrack on or after the effective date of this act who loses employment with that racetrack as a direct result of the implementation of casino simulcasting <sup>1</sup>[, as determined by the New Jersey Racing Commission,]<sup>1</sup> and who has been licensed by <sup>2</sup>[that commission] the New Jersey Racing Commission<sup>2</sup> for five consecutive years immediately preceding the loss of employment shall be given first preference for employment whenever any comparable position becomes available in any casino simulcasting facility, provided the person is qualified pursuant to this subsection.

- c. A casino which establishes a simulcasting facility and conducts casino simulcasting shall, as a condition of continued operation of casino simulcasting, receive all live races which are transmitted by in-State sending tracks.
- d. Agreements between a casino and an in-State or out-of-State sending track for casino simulcasting shall be in writing and shall be filed with the New Jersey Racing

Commission and with the Casino Control Commission in accordance with section 104 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-104).

- e. If wagering at casinos on sports events is authorized <sup>2</sup>by the voters of this State and by enabling legislation enacted by the Legislature, <sup>2</sup> and <sup>2</sup>if<sup>2</sup> a casino conducts such wagering and casino simulcasting, the two activities shall be conducted in the same area, in accordance with such regulations as the Casino Control Commission <sup>2</sup>[and the New Jersey Racing Commission]<sup>2</sup> shall prescribe <sup>2</sup>with respect to wagering on sports events and in accordance with this act and such regulations as may be adopted pursuant to section 3 of this act with respect to casino simulcasting<sup>2</sup>.
- 5. (New section) A permit holder which wishes to conduct casino simulcasting shall request the approval of the New Jersey Racing Commission in its annual application for horse race meeting dates filed with that commission pursuant to section 23 of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-43), or, if applying between the submittal of annual applications, through such supplemental application as that commission shall deem appropriate. The New Jersey Racing Commission shall not approve the request of any permit holder to conduct casino simulcasting unless the permit holder will conduct a number of live racing programs during the period for which the permit is issued which is equal to the following:
- a. in the case of harness races, each permit holder shall conduct at least 75% of the average number of live racing programs conducted by that permit holder during calendar years 1990 and 1991; and
- b. in the case of running races, Monmouth Racetrack shall conduct at least the same number of live racing programs conducted in 1991, Garden State Racetrack shall conduct at least 60% of the live racing programs conducted by that permit holder in calendar year 1990, and each of the other permit holders conducting running races shall conduct at least 75% of the live racing programs conducted by that permit holder in calendar year 1990.
- For the purpose of satisfying the requirements of this section for the conduct of live racing programs, any live racing program or part thereof which is cancelled because of weather or another act of God shall be deemed to have been conducted, subject to the approval of the New Jersey Racing Commission.
- 6. (New section) A permit holder which is authorized to conduct casino simulcasting shall have discretion to transmit all or some of the live races conducted at the racetrack to casinos which have established simulcasting facilities pursuant to this act. However, any race which is transmitted from an in-State sending track shall be transmitted to all casinos which have established simulcasting facilities.
- 7. (New section) Sums wagered at a casino on the result of a simulcast horse race at an in-State sending track shall be included in the appropriate parimutuel pool generated at the in-State sending track for the race being transmitted. The parimutuel pool on the simulcast horse races originating at an in-State sending track shall be divided pursuant to section 8 of

this act. Payments to persons holding winning tickets at a casino shall be made according to the same odds as those generated at the in-State sending track. A person placing a wager on a simulcast horse race at a casino shall not be charged a fee for placing the wager in addition to the amount wagered.

- 8. (New section) Sums wagered at a casino on races being transmitted to that casino from an in-State sending track shall be deposited in the parimutuel pool generated at the in-State sending track for those races and shall be distributed in accordance with the provisions of section 44 of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-64) or section 1 of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-64.1), as appropriate. The sums wagered at a casino which remain undistributed pursuant to those sections shall be distributed as follows:
- a. .50% of the parimutuel pool generated at the casino shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission for deposit in the Casino Simulcasting Fund established pursuant to section 18 of this act:
- b. 8.25% of the pool generated at the casino for a race where the patron is required to select one horse, 9.25% of the pool generated at the casino for a race where the patron is required to select two horses, and 12.25% of the pool generated at the casino for a race where the patron is required to select three or more horses shall be paid to the casino receiving the simulcast race;
- c. .50% of the pool generated at the casino shall be set aside as follows:
- (1) in the case of harness races being transmitted from an in-State sending track, in the special trust account established pursuant to or specified in section 46a.(2) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2b. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(1) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(a) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, for use and distribution as provided in section 46a.(2)(a), (b), and (c) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2b.(1), (2), and (3) of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(1)(a), (b), and (c) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(a)(i), (ii), and (iii) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and
- (2) in the case of running races being transmitted from an in-State sending track, in the special trust account established pursuant to or specified in section 46b.(1)(e) and (2)(e)of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(3) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(c) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, for use and distribution as provided therein;
- d. .03% of the parimutuel pool generated at the casino shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission and set aside in the special trust account for horse breeding and development for distribution and use as provided in section 5 of P.L.1967, c.40 (C.5:5-88); and
- e. 7.72% of the pool generated at the casino for a race where the patron is required to select one horse, 8.72% of the pool generated at the casino for a race where the patron is required to select two horses, and 11.72% of the pool generated at the casino for a race where the patron is required to select three or more horses shall be distributed as follows:

- (1) 50% of that amount shall be retained by the sending track, except that each sending track shall contribute, out of its share of a pool generated for a race where the patron is required to select three or more horses, a sum deemed necessary by the New Jersey Racing Commission for use by the commission to finance a prerace bloodtesting program and such other testing programs which that commission shall deem proper and necessary and which shall be subject to the regulation and control of that commission; and
  - (2) 50% of that amount shall be distributed as follows:
- (a) in the case of harness races being transmitted from an in-State sending track, as overnight purse money at the sending track and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association of New Jersey, as provided in section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, including the retention, out of this share of a parimutuel pool where the patron is required to select three or more horses, of a sum deemed necessary by the New Jersey Racing Commission for use by that commission to finance a prerace blood testing program and such other testing programs which that commission shall deem proper and necessary and which shall be subject to the regulation and control of that commission; and
- (b) in the case of running races being transmitted from an in-State sending track, as overnight purse money at the sending track and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association, as provided in section 46b.(1) (d) and (2) (d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, including the retention, out of this share of a parimutuel pool where the patron is required to select three or more horses, of a sum deemed necessary by the New Jersey Racing Commission for use by that commission to finance a prerace blood testing program and such other testing programs which that commission shall deem proper and necessary and which shall be subject to the regulation and control of that commission.
- 9. (New section) A casino which chooses to conduct casino simulcasting and which operates a simulcasting facility may, with the approval of both the New Jersey Racing Commission and the New Jersey Casino Control Commission, also receive simulcast horse races conducted at out-of-State sending tracks in accordance with the provisions of this act and any applicable regulations of these commissions and joint regulations of these commissions promulgated pursuant to this act.

In order to be eligible to participate in casino simulcasting, an out-of-State sending track shall be approved by the New Jersey Racing Commission and be subject to licensure by the Casino Control Commission as a casino service industry pursuant to subsection c. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92). The approval of the New Jersey Racing Commission shall only be granted when that commission, in its discretion and after

consideration of the interests of the casino making application, determines that approval is in the best interest of the public and the racing industry in New Jersey.

- 10. (New section) A casino which has been authorized to receive simulcast horse races from out-of-State sending tracks may receive such races only during permitted hours of casino operation. No limit shall be placed on the number of simulcast horse races that may be received during the permitted hours of operation except as otherwise provided herein.
- 11. (New section) a. Except as provided in subsection b. of this section, a casino which receives a simulcast horse race from an out-of-State sending track shall not pay the out-of-State sending track for the transmission an amount equal to more than 3% of the parimutuel pool on each race. If the casino negotiates an agreement to pay the out-of-State sending track an amount equal to less than 3% of the parimutuel pool, the casino shall be entitled to retain the difference between the amount agreed upon and 3%.
- b. Subject to the approval of the New Jersey Racing Commission and with respect to no more than 20 races per casino per calendar year, a casino may pay an out-of-State sending track an amount equal to not more than 6% of the parimutuel pool for the transmission of a race. If the casino negotiates an agreement to pay the out-of-State sending track an amount equal to less than 6% of the parimutuel pool, the casino shall be entitled to retain the difference between the amount agreed upon and 6%.
- 12. (New section) a. Except as provided in subsection b. of this section, the New Jersey Racing Commission shall not permit an out-of-State sending track to participate in casino simulcasting unless the parimutuel pools in the casinos shall be combined with comparable parimutuel pools at the out-of-State sending track. The types of wagering, takeout, distribution of winnings, rules of racing, method of calculating breakage, and the percentage of deposits remaining undistributed from a parimutuel pool after payment is made to winning ticket holders shall be determined in accordance with the law or policy applicable to the out-of-State sending track.
- b. With the prior approval of the New Jersey Racing Commission and the concurrence of the out-of-State sending track, a casino and receiving tracks or entities in other states other than the state in which the sending track is located may form an interstate common pool. With respect to such interstate common pools, the Racing Commission may approve types of wagering, takeout, distribution of winnings, rules of racing, method of calculating breakage, and a percentage of deposits remaining undistributed from a parimutuel pool after payment is made to winning ticket holders which are different from those which would otherwise be applied in this State but which are consistent for all parties to the interstate common pool.
- c. Moneys resulting from breakage on amounts wagered at a casino and from outstanding parimutuel tickets issued at a casino simulcasting facility in all instances shall be distributed as provided in section 13 of this act.

- 13. (New section) Sums wagered at a casino on races being transmitted to that casino from an out-of-State sending track shall be subject to the takeout rate determined pursuant to section 12 of this act, and the sums resulting from that takeout rate as applied to the parimutuel pool generated at the casino shall be distributed as follows, subject to the provisions of section 16 of this act:
- a. .50% of the parimutuel pool generated at the casino shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission for deposit in the Casino Simulcasting Fund established pursuant to section 18 of this act;
- b. 3%, or if applicable 6%, of the parimutuel pool generated at the casino shall be paid to the casino to be used for payment to the out-of-State sending track for the transmission of the race, as provided in section 11 of this act;
- c. in calendar years 1993, 1994, and 1995, 2% of the parimutuel pool generated at the casino shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission for payment to the Atlantic City Racetrack until a total of \$100,000,000 in parimutuel pools has been generated in wagering on simulcast races in each of those calendar years; <sup>1</sup>[and]<sup>1</sup>
- d. of the amount remaining after the deduction of the amounts under subsections a., b., and c. from the amount of the takeout rate, 65% shall be paid to the casino during the first 18 months after the effective date of this act; 60% shall be paid to the casino during the next succeeding 12 months after that 18-month period; 55% shall be paid to the casino during the next succeeding 12 months after that 12-month period; and 50% shall be paid to the casino commencing with the 43rd month after the effective date; except that if, at any time during the 42-month period following the effective date, wagering on sports events is authorized by law and a casino commences such wagering, 50% shall be paid to the casino upon the commencement of such wagering by that casino;
- e. .50% of the parimutuel pool generated at the casino shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission and shall be deposited by that commission as follows:
- (1) 50% in the special trust account established pursuant to or specified in section 46a.(2) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2b. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(1) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(a) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, for use and distribution as provided in section 46a.(2)(a), (b), and (c) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2b.(1), (2), and (3) of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(1)(a), (b), and (c) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(a)(i), (ii), and (iii) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and
- (2) 50% in the special trust account established pursuant to or specified in section 46b.(1)(e) and (2)(e) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(3) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(c) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, for use and distribution as provided therein;
- f. .03% of the parimutuel pool generated at the casino shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission and set aside in the

special trust account for horse breeding and development for distribution and use as provided in section 5 of P.L.1967, c.40 (C.5:5-88); and

- g. the amount remaining after the deduction of the amounts under subsections a., b., c., d., e., and f. from the amount of the takeout rate shall be distributed as follows:
- (1) 43% of that remaining amount shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission and shall be distributed by that commission, on the basis of the following formula, among the New Jersey racetracks for their own use:

 $\frac{A}{B} = \frac{C}{D}$ 

where: A = the gross parimutuel pool generated at each racetrack during the preceding calendar year, including the parimutuel pool on simulcast races;

- B = the gross parimutuel pool generated at racetracks Statewide during the preceding calendar year, including the parimutuel pool on simulcast races;
- C = the amount to be paid to each racetrack from the moneys available for distribution pursuant this paragraph;
- D = the total amount of moneys available for distribution pursuant to this paragraph;
- (2) 43% of that remaining amount shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission and, subject to the provisions of section 14 of this act, shall be distributed by that commission, in the following year and on the basis of the following formula, among the New Jersey racetracks for payment as purse money and for programs designed to aid horsemen and horsemen's organizations as provided in section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), in the case of harness races, and section 46b.(1)(d) or 46b.(2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), in the case of running races:

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 $\frac{A}{B} = \frac{C}{D}$ 

where: A = the total amount distributed by each racetrack pursuant to section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), in the case of harness races, or section 46b.(1)(d) or 46b.(2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), in the case of running races, during the preceding calendar year, plus any additional amounts paid out by each racetrack for overnight purses during the preceding calendar year from the permit holder's share of the parimutuel pool;

B = the total amount distributed by racetracks Statewide pursuant to section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982,

c.201 (C.5:5-98), and section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), in the case of harness races, and pursuant to section 46b.(1)(d) and 46b.(2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), and section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), in the case of running races, during the preceding calendar year, plus any additional amounts paid out by racetracks for overnight purses during the preceding calendar year from the permit holders' share of the parimutuel pool;

- C = the amount to be paid to each racetrack from the moneys available for distribution pursuant this paragraph;
- D = the total amount of moneys available for distribution pursuant to this paragraph; and
- (3) 14% of that remaining amount shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission for deposit in the Casino Simulcasting Special Fund established pursuant to section 15 of this act.

In addition, all breakage moneys and outstanding parimutuel ticket moneys resulting from the wagering at the casino shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission and deposited in the Casino Simulcasting Special Fund.

If a racetrack conducts both harness races and running races, the moneys the racetrack receives for payment pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection g. above shall be distributed on the basis of the following formula:

 $\frac{A}{B} = \frac{C}{D}$ 

where: A = the total amount distributed by the racetrack pursuant to section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, in the case of harness races, plus any additional amounts paid out by the racetrack for overnight purses for harness races during the preceding calendar year from the permit holder's share of the parimutuel pool, or pursuant to section 46b.(1)(d) or 46b.(2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, in the case of running races, plus any additional amounts paid out by the racetrack for overnight purses for running races during the preceding calendar year from the permit holder's share of the parimutuel pool, as the case may be;

B = the total amount distributed by the racetrack pursuant to section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, and pursuant to section 46b.(1)(d) or 46b.(2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, plus any additional amounts paid out by the racetrack for overnight purses for both harness and running races during the preceding calendar year from the permit holder's share of the parimutuel pool;

C = the amount to be paid by the racetrack for overnight purse money and for programs designed to aid horsemen and horsemen's organizations as provided in section 46a.(4) of

P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), in the case of harness races, and section 46b.(1)(d) or 46b.(2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), in the case of running races;

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53 54 D = the total amount of moneys available to the racetrack for distribution as overnight purse money and for programs designed to aid horsemen and horsemen's organizations pursuant to this paragraph.

During the 36th month after the (New section) commencement at any casino in Atlantic City of casino simulcasting from an out-of-State sending track, any operating racetrack, the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association, or the Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association may file a petition with the New Jersey Racing Commission requesting that the formula contained in section 13g.(2) be revised. The petition shall be in writing and shall include a statement of reasons in support of a revision. If such a petition is filed, the racetracks, the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association, and the Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association shall commence negotiations on the formula contained in section 13g.(2) of this act. If the parties agree on a formula, they shall make their recommendation to the Racing Commission no later than the end of the 39th month after the commencement of such simulcasting.

If the parties cannot agree on a formula by the end of that 39th month, the Racing Commission shall select a fact-finder, as hereafter provided, to hear the matter. The fact-finder shall be knowledgeable about the racing industry but shall not be a current member or employee of the New Jersey Racing Commission, any operating racetrack, the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association, or the Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association.

No later than the fifth day after the end of that 39th month, the Racing Commission shall submit to the operating racetracks, the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association, and the Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association a list of at least five names of persons to serve as the fact-finder. Each of the recipients of the list shall rank in order of preference the names submitted and shall return the list within five days. No later than the fifth day after the return to the Racing Commission of all such lists, the Racing Commission shall, in its discretion, select the fact-finder after giving due consideration to the rankings provided by the racetracks and associations. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 15 of this act, the Racing Commission may pay from the Casino Simulcasting the amount necessary Special Fund to compensate the fact-finder. The fact-finder shall make а report recommendation on a formula to the Racing Commission no later than the end of 42nd month after the commencement of such simulcasting from an out-of-State sending track.

The Racing Commission shall review any recommendation and

report made to it on a formula and may adopt any formula which, in its judgment, is equitable to the parties concerned and is in the best interest of racing in New Jersey. The commission shall promulgate, in accordance with the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), such rules and regulations as are necessary to effectuate a revised formula, which shall take effect upon the adoption by the commission of the rules and regulations containing the formula and shall 

supersede the formula in section 13g.(2).

If no petition is filed by the end of the 36th month after the commencement of such simulcasting, the formula in section 13g.(2) shall continue to be operative.

15. (New section) The New Jersey Racing Commission shall establish and administer a separate fund to be known as the "Casino Simulcasting Special Fund," into which shall be deposited the sums dedicated to the fund by section 13 of this act.

Moneys deposited in the special fund shall be annually disbursed in their entirety by the New Jersey Racing Commission and used for the following purposes in the following order of priority:

- a. Moneys in the special fund shall first be used to pay the difference between the amount paid to the Atlantic City Racetrack pursuant to subsection c. of section 13 of this act and \$2,000,000 in each calendar year during calendar years 1993, 1994, and 1995.
- b. From any amounts remaining after the payments required by subsection a. of this section are made, the New Jersey Racing Commission shall pay to each casino which began to conduct casino simulcasting within six months after the effective date of this act an amount equal to the breakage moneys and outstanding parimutuel ticket moneys resulting from wagering at the casino on simulcast horse races from out-of-State sending tracks during the first five years that the casino conducts casino simulcasting and 50% of these amounts thereafter.
- c. From any amounts remaining after the payments required by subsections a. and b. of this section are made, the New Jersey Racing Commission shall pay to each casino which begins to conduct casino simulcasting later than six months after this act's effective date, including casinos established after that date, an amount equal to the breakage moneys and outstanding parimutuel tickets moneys resulting from wagering at the casino on simulcast horse races from out-of-State sending tracks during the first two years that the casino conducts casino simulcasting and 40% of these amounts thereafter.
- d. From any amounts remaining after the payments required by subsections a., b. and c. of this section are made, the New Jersey Racing Commission shall compensate, in such amounts as that commission deems appropriate, the following entities in the following order of priority:
- (1) any racetrack in this State which can demonstrate to the satisfaction of that commission that its financial well-being has been negatively affected by casino simulcasting;
- (2) any racetrack in this State which that commission finds to be financially distressed;
- (3) any horsemen's organization which will use the money to

fund a project which that commission determines will be beneficial to the racing industry; and

(4) all racetracks located in this State on an equal basis.

- 16. (New section) Payment to the Atlantic City Racetrack of sums provided by subsection c. of section 13 or subsection a. of section 14 of this act shall be made after the conclusion of each calendar year for calendar years 1993 through 1995. In order to be eligible to receive the amounts provided by those subsections, the Atlantic City Racetrack shall not receive any simulcast horse race under the provisions of the "Simulcasting Racing Act," P.L.1985, c.269 (C.5:5-110 et seq.) or the provisions of section 37 of this act during any part of an applicable calendar year other than when a horse race meeting is being conducted at Atlantic City Racetrack pursuant to a permit issued by the New Jersey Racing Commission. If the Atlantic City Racetrack is not eligible to receive the amount provided by subsection c. of section 13, that amount shall be distributed on the basis of subsections d. and g. of section 13 of this act.
  - 17. (New section) The State revenue derived from casino simulcasting pursuant to subsection a. of sections 8 and 13 of this act shall be deposited in the "Casino Simulcasting Fund" established pursuant to section 18 of this act and used for the purposes provided by that section.
  - 18. (New section) There is hereby created and established in the Department of the Treasury a separate special account to be known as the "Casino Simulcasting Fund," into which shall be deposited all State revenues derived through subsection a. of sections 8 and 13 of this act. Moneys in the Casino Simulcasting Fund shall be appropriated exclusively for services to benefit eligible senior citizens. On or about March 15 and September 15 of each year, the State Treasurer shall publish in at least 10 newspapers circulating generally in the State a report accounting for the total revenues received in the Casino Simulcasting Fund and the specific amounts of money appropriated therefrom for specific expenditures during the preceding six months ending December 31, and June 30.
  - 19. (New section) All amounts generated from casino simulcasting shall be placed in an interest-bearing account and thereafter all accrued interest shall be distributed proportionately to the parties entitled to the revenue pursuant to the provisions of this act.
  - 20. (New section) The Casino Control Commission and the New Jersey Racing Commission shall individually and jointly promulgate and adopt any rules and regulations, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), which are necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.
  - 21. (New section) "Simulcasting facility"—A facility established in a casino hotel pursuant to section 4 of the "Casino Simulcasting Act," P.L. , c. (C. ) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill)
  - 51 22. Section 5 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-5) is amended to read 52 as follows:
  - 53 5. "Authorized Game" or "Authorized Gambling Game" -- 54 Roulette, baccarat, blackjack, craps, big six wheel, slot

1 machines, minibaccarat, red dog, pai gow, and sic bo; any variations or composites of such games, provided that such variations or composites are found by the commission suitable for 3 4 [casino] use after an appropriate test or experimental period 5 under such terms and conditions as the commission may deem appropriate; and any other game which is authorized by the 6 commission pursuant to section 3 of this amendatory and 7 supplementary act, P.L.1991, c.182 (C.5:12-5.1). "Authorized 8 "authorized gambling game" includes gaming 9 game" or 10 tournaments in which players compete against one another in one or more of the games listed herein or in approved variations or 11 12 composites thereof if the tournaments are authorized by the 13 commission.

- 14 (cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.2)
- 23. Section 7 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-7) is amended to read as follows:
- 17 7. "Casino Employee"--Any natural person employed in the 18 operation of a licensed casino or a simulcasting facility, 19 including, without limitation, boxmen; dealers or croupiers; floormen; machine mechanics; casino security employees; count 20 21 room personnel; cage personnel; slot machine and slot booth personnel; collection personnel; casino surveillance personnel; 22 23 simulcasting facility personnel involved in wagering-related activities in a simulcasting facility; and data processing 24 25 personnel; or any other natural person whose employment duties 26 predominantly involve the maintenance or operation of gaming 27 activity or equipment and assets associated therewith or who, in 28 the judgment of the commission, is so regularly required to work 29 in a restricted casino area [in gaming-related activities] that licensure as a casino employee is appropriate. 30
- 31 (cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.5)

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- 32 24. Section 9 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-9) is amended to read 33 as follows:
  - 9. "Casino Key Employee"—Any natural person employed in the operation of a licensed casino or a simulcasting facility in a supervisory capacity or empowered to make discretionary decisions which regulate casino [operation] or simulcasting facility operations, including, without limitation, pit bosses; shift bosses; credit executives; casino cashier supervisors; casino or simulcasting facility managers and assistant managers; and managers or supervisors of casino security employees; or any other natural person empowered to make discretionary decisions which regulate the management of an approved hotel, including, without limitation, hotel managers; entertainment directors; and food and beverage directors; or any other employee so designated by the Casino Control Commission for reasons consistent with the policies of this act.
- 48 (cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.1)
- 25. Section 12 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-12) is amended to read as follows:
- 51 12. "Casino Service Industry" -- Any form of enterprise which 52 provides casino applicants or licensees with goods or services 53 regarding the realty, construction, maintenance, or business of a 54 proposed or existing casino hotel or related facility on a regular

- 1 or continuing basis, including, without limitation, security
- 2 businesses, gaming schools, manufacturers, distributors and
- 3 servicers of gaming and casino simulcasting devices or
- 4 equipment, in-State and out-of-State sending tracks as defined in
- 5 section 2 of the "Casino Simulcasting Act," P.L., c. (C.)
- 6 (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), garbage haulers,
- 7 maintenance companies, food purveyors, and construction
- 8 companies, or any other enterprise which purchases goods or
- 9 services from or which does any other business with licensed
- 10 casinos on a regular or continuing basis. Notwithstanding the
- 11 foregoing, any form of enterprise engaged in the manufacture,
- sale, distribution or repair of slot machines within New Jersey,
- other than antique slot machines as defined in N.J.S.2C:37-7,
- shall be considered a casino service industry for the purposes of
- 15 this act regardless of the nature of its business relationship, if
- any, with licensed casinos in this State.
- 17 For the purposes of this section, "casino applicant" includes
- any person required to hold a casino license pursuant to section
- 19 82 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-82) who has applied to the
- 20 commission for a casino license or any approval required under
- 21 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.).
- 22 (cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.8)
- 23 26. Section 21 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-21) is amended to
- 24 read as follows:
- 25 21. "Game" or "gambling game" -- Any banking or percentage
- 26 game located [exclusively] within the casino or simulcasting
- 27 facility played with cards, dice, tiles, dominoes, or any
- 28 electronic, electrical, or mechanical device or machine for
- 29 money, property, or any representative of value.
- 30 (cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.9)
- 31 27. Section 24 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-24) is amended to
- 32 read as follows:
- 33 24. "Gross Revenue" -- The total of all sums, including checks
- received by a casino licensee pursuant to section 101 of this act,
- 35 whether collected or not, actually received by a casino licensee
- 36 from gaming operations, less only the total of all sums paid out as
- 37 winnings to patrons and a deduction for uncollectible gaming
- receivables not to exceed the lesser of a reasonable provision for uncollectible patron checks received from gaming operations or
- 40 4% of the total of all sums including checks, whether collected or
- 41 not, less the amount paid out as winnings to patrons. "Gross
- 42 Revenue" shall not include any amount received by a casino from
- 43 casino simulcasting pursuant to the "Casino Simulcasting Act,"
- 44 P.L., c. (C. ) (now pending before the Legislature as this
- 45 <u>bill</u>).
- 46 For the purposes of this section, any check which is invalid and
- 47 unenforceable pursuant to subsection f. of section 101 of
- 48 P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-101) shall be treated as cash received by
- 49 the casino licensee from gaming operations.
- 50 (cf: P.L.1987, c.426, s.2)
- 51 28. Section 69 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-69) is amended to
- 52 read as follows:
- 53 69. Regulations. a. The commission shall be authorized to
- 54 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.

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- 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 of any rule concerning the conduct of gaming or simulcast wagering or the use or design of gaming or simulcast wagering equipment for an experimental period not to exceed 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. of section 3 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 or simulcasting facility 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 or simulcasting facility participating in the experiment and shall be available upon request from the commission.
- 41 (cf: P.L. 1991, c.182, s.15)
  - 29. Section 79 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-79) is amended to read as follows:
  - 79. a. The division and its employees and agents, upon approval of the director, shall have the authority, without notice and without warrant:
  - (1) To inspect and examine all premises wherein casino gaming or casino simulcasting, as defined in section 2 of the "Casino Simulcasting Act," P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), is conducted; or gaming devices or equipment are manufactured, sold, distributed, or serviced; or wherein any records of such activities are prepared or maintained;
  - (2) To inspect all equipment and supplies in, about, upon or around such premises;

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- (3) To seize summarily and remove from such premises and impound any such equipment or supplies for the purposes of examination and inspection;
- (4) To inspect, examine and audit all books, records, and documents pertaining to a casino licensee's operation;
- (5) To seize, impound or assume physical control of any book, record, ledger, game, device, cash box and its contents, counting room or its equipment, or casino operations; and
- (6) To inspect the person, and personal effects present in a casino facility licensed under this act, of any holder of a license or registration issued pursuant to this act while that person is present in a licensed casino facility.
- b. The provisions of subsection a. of this section shall in no way be deemed to limit warrantless inspections except in accordance with constitutional requirements.
- c. To effectuate further the purposes of this act, the division and its employees and agents may obtain administrative warrants for the inspection and seizure of any property possessed, controlled, bailed or otherwise held by any applicant, licensee, registrant, intermediary company, or holding company.
- d. Issuance and execution of warrants for administrative inspection shall be in accordance with the following:
- (1) Any judge of a court having jurisdiction in the municipality where the inspection or seizure is to be conducted may, upon proper oath or affirmation showing probable cause, issue warrants for the purpose of conducting administrative inspections authorized by this act or regulations thereunder and seizures of property appropriate to such inspections. For the purposes of this section, "probable cause" means a valid public interest in the effective enforcement of the act or regulations sufficient to justify administrative inspection of the area, premises, building or conveyance in the circumstances specified in the application for the warrant.
- (2) A warrant shall issue only upon an affidavit of a person duly designated and having knowledge of the facts alleged, sworn to before the judge and establishing the grounds for issuing the warrant. If the judge is satisfied that grounds for the application exist or that there is probable cause to believe they exist, he shall issue a warrant identifying the area, premises, building, or conveyance to be inspected; the purpose of such inspection; and, where appropriate, the type of property to be inspected, if any. The warrant shall identify the item or types of property to be The warrant shall be directed to a person seized, if any. authorized to execute it. The warrant shall state the grounds for its issuance and the name of the person or persons whose affidavit has been taken in support thereof. It shall command the person to whom it is directed to inspect the area, premises, building, or conveyance identified for the purpose specified, and where appropriate, shall direct the seizure of the property specified. The warrant shall direct that it be served during normal business hours of the licensee. It shall designate the judge to whom it shall be returned.
- (3) A warrant issued pursuant to this section must be executed and returned within 10 days of its date. If property is seized

pursuant to a warrant, the person executing the warrant shall 1 2 give to the person from whom or from whose premises the 3 property was taken a copy of the warrant and a receipt for the property taken or shall leave the copy and receipt at the place 4 5 from which the property was taken. The return of the warrant shall be made promptly and shall be accompanied by a written 6 7 inventory of any property taken. The inventory shall be made in 8 the presence of the person executing the warrant and of the person from whose possession or premises the property was taken, 9 10 if they are present, or in the presence of at least one credible 11 person other than the person executing the warrant. The clerk of 12 the court, upon request, shall deliver a copy of the inventory to the person from whom or from whose premises the property was 13 14 taken and to the applicant for the warrant.

- (4) The judge who has issued a warrant under this section shall attach to the warrant a copy of the return and all papers filed in connection therewith and shall cause them to be filed with the court which issued such warrant.
- The division is authorized to make administrative inspections to check for compliance by any applicant, licensee, registrant, intermediary company or holding company with the provisions of this act or regulations promulgated thereunder, and to investigate any violations thereof.
- f. This section shall not be construed to prevent entries and administrative inspections, including seizures of property, without a warrant:
- (1) With the consent of the owner, operator or agent in charge of the controlled premises;
- (2) In situations presenting imminent danger to health or safety;
- (3) In situations involving inspection of conveyances where there is reasonable cause to believe that the mobility of the conveyance makes it impractical to obtain a warrant or in any other exceptional or emergency circumstance where time or opportunity to apply for a warrant is lacking;
  - (4) In accordance with the provisions of this act; or
- In all other situations where a warrant is not constitutionally required.
- 39 (cf: P.L.1981, c.503, s.8)

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- 30. Section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92) is amended to 40 read as follows:
  - 92. Licensing and Registration of Casino Service Industries.
  - a. (1) All casino service industries offering goods or services which directly relate to casino or gaming activity, including and simulcast wagering equipment manufacturers, suppliers and repairers, schools teaching gaming and either playing or dealing techniques, and casino security services, shall be licensed in accordance with the provisions of this act prior to conducting any business whatsoever with a casino applicant or licensee, its employees or agents, and in the case of a school, prior to enrollment of any students or offering of any courses to the public whether for compensation or not; provided, however, that upon a showing of good cause by a casino applicant or licensee for each business transaction, the commission may

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permit an applicant for a casino service industry license to conduct business transactions with such casino applicant or licensee prior to the licensure of that service industry applicant under this subsection.

(2) In addition to the requirements of paragraph (1) of this subsection, any casino service industry intending to manufacture, sell, distribute or repair slot machines within New Jersey, other than antique slot machines as defined in N.J.S.2C:37-7, shall be licensed in accordance with the provisions of this act prior to engaging in any such activities; provided, however, that upon a showing of good cause by a casino applicant or licensee for each business transaction, the commission may permit an applicant for a casino service industry license to conduct business transactions with the casino applicant or licensee prior to the licensure of that service industry applicant under this subsection; and provided further, however, that upon a showing of good cause by an applicant required to be licensed as a casino service industry pursuant to this paragraph, the commission may permit the service industry applicant to initiate the manufacture of slot machines or engage in the sale, distribution or repair of slot machines with any person other than a casino applicant or licensee, its employees or agents, prior to the licensure of that service industry applicant under this subsection.

b. Each casino service industry in subsection a. of this section, as well as its owners, management and supervisory personnel and other principal employees must qualify under the standards, except residency, established for qualification of a casino key employee under this act. In addition, if the business or enterprise is a school teaching gaming and either playing or dealing each resident director, instructor, techniques, employee, and sales representative employed thereby shall be licensed under the standards established for qualification of a casino employee under this act; provided, however, that nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to require, in the case of a public school district or a public institution of higher education, the licensure or qualification of any individuals except those instructors and other principal employees responsible for the teaching of playing or dealing techniques. The commission, in its discretion, may issue a temporary license to an applicant for an instructor's license upon a finding that the applicant meets the educational and experiential requirements for such license, that the issuance of a permanent license will be restricted by and that temporary licensing is necessary investigations, necessary for the operation of the gaming school. 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.

c. All casino service industries not included in subsection a. of this section shall be licensed in accordance with rules of the commission prior to commencement or continuation of any business with a casino applicant or licensee or its employees or agents. Such casino service industries, whether or not directly related to gaming operations, shall include suppliers of alcoholic

beverages, food and nonalcoholic beverages; in-State and out-of-State sending tracks as defined in section 2 of the "Casino Simulcasting Act," P.L. , c. (C. ) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill); garbage handlers; vending machine providers; linen suppliers; maintenance companies; shopkeepers located within the approved hotels; limousine services and construction companies contracting with casino applicants or licensees or their employees or agents. The commission may exempt any person or field of commerce from the licensing requirements of this subsection if the person or field of commerce demonstrates (1) that it is regulated by a public agency or that it will provide goods or services in insubstantial or insignificant amounts or quantities, and (2) that licensing is not deemed necessary in order to protect the public interest or to accomplish the policies established by this act.

Upon granting an exemption or at any time thereafter, the commission may limit or place such restrictions thereupon as it may deem necessary in the public interest, and shall require the exempted person to cooperate with the commission and the division and, upon request, to provide information in the same manner as required of a casino service industry licensed pursuant to this subsection; provided, however, that no exemption be granted unless the casino service industry complies with the requirements of sections 134 and 135 of this act.

- d. Licensure pursuant to subsection c. of this section of any casino service industry may be denied to any applicant disqualified in accordance with the criteria contained in section 86 of this act.
- 29 (cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.5)

- 31. Section 99 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-99) is amended to read as follows:
- 99. Internal Controls. a. Each casino licensee shall submit to the commission a description of its system of internal procedures and administrative and accounting controls for gaming and simulcast wagering operations and a description of any changes thereof. Such submission shall be made at least 60 days before [gaming] such operations are to commence or at least 60 days before any change in those procedures or controls is to take effect, unless otherwise directed by the commission. Each such submission shall contain both narrative and diagrammatic representations of the internal control system to be utilized by the casino, including, but not limited to:
- (1) Accounting controls, including the standardization of forms and definition of terms to be utilized in the gaming <u>and simulcast</u> wagering operations;
- (2) Procedures, forms, and, where appropriate, formulas covering the calculation of hold percentages, revenue drop, expense and overhead schedules, complimentary services, junkets, cash equivalent transactions, salary structure and personnel practices;
- (3) Job descriptions and the system of personnel and chain-of-command, establishing a diversity of responsibility among employees engaged in casino operations and identifying primary and secondary supervisory positions for areas of

responsibility, which areas shall not be so extensive as to be impractical for an individual to monitor;

- (4) Procedures within the cashier's cage and simulcast facility for the receipt, storage and disbursal of chips, cash, and other cash equivalents used in gaming and simulcast wagering; the cashing of checks; the redemption of chips and other cash equivalents used in gaming and simulcast wagering; the pay-off of jackpots and simulcast wagers; and the recording of transactions pertaining to gaming and simulcast wagering operations;
- (5) Procedures for the collection and security of moneys at the gaming tables and in the simulcasting facility;
- (6) Procedures for the transfer and recordation of chips between the gaming tables and the cashier's cage and the transfer and recordation of moneys within the simulcasting facility;
- (7) Procedures for the transfer of moneys from the gaming tables to the counting process and the transfer of moneys within the simulcasting facility for the counting process;
- (8) Procedures and security for the counting and recordation of revenue;
- (9) Procedures for the security, storage and recordation of cash, chips and other cash equivalents utilized in the gaming [operation] and simulcast wagering operations;
- (10) Procedures for the transfer of moneys or chips from and to the slot machines;
- (11) Procedures and standards for the opening and security of slot machines;
- (12) Procedures for the payment and recordation of slot machine jackpots;
- (13) Procedures for the cashing and recordation of checks exchanged by casino and simulcast wagering patrons;
- (14) Procedures governing the utilization of the private security force within the casino and simulcasting facility;
- (15) Procedures and security standards for the handling and storage of gaming apparatus including cards, dice, machines, wheels and all other gaming equipment;
- (16) Procedures and rules governing the conduct of particular games and simulcast wagering and the responsibility of casino personnel in respect thereto; and
- (17) Procedures for separately recording all transactions 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

subsection a. hereof, and shall determine whether it conforms to 1 2 the requirements of this act and to the regulations promulgated thereunder and whether the system submitted provides adequate 3 4 and effective controls for the operations of the particular casino hotel submitting it. If the commission finds any insufficiencies, it 5 6 shall specify same in writing to the casino licensee, who shall 7 make appropriate alterations. When the commission determines a 8 submission to be adequate in all respects, it shall notify the 9 casino licensee of same. No casino licensee shall commence or 10 alter gaming operations unless and until such system of controls is approved by the commission. 11

(cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.37)

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32. 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 and in a simulcasting facility to the extent provided by the "Casino Simulcasting Act," P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill).

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 the simulcasting facility, or in [secure] restricted casino 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 No gaming equipment shall be possessed, maintained, exhibited, brought into or removed from a casino room or simulcasting facility 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 or simulcasting facility 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 simulcasting facility, 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 and simulcasting facility, as appropriate, 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 fraud or deception and to insure the integrity of gaming. In no event shall slot machines, including walkways between them, occupy more than 45% of the first 50,000 square feet of floor space of a casino, or more than 32% 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 45% of such additional floor space in the 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.1991, c.182, 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. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1991, c.182).

- j. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1991, c.182).
- 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.
- l. It shall be unlawful for any casino licensee or its agents or employees to employ, contract with, or use any shill or barker to induce any person to enter a casino or simulcasting facility 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 or simulcasting facility 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, with the distribution based upon the number of hours each dealer has worked.
- 47 (cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.38)
  - 33. 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

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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 or simulcast wagering 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 or simulcast wagering 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 or simulcast wagering 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, 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, 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, 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, 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).
- 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 or simulcast wagering activity as a player, may give cash or cash equivalents in exchange for such a 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) 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 or simulcast wagers;

- (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 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 subsection; 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 or simulcast wagering 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 \$1,500 in exchange for cash or cash equivalents, and may, at such locations within the casino as may be permitted by the commission, accept a personal check or checks for up to \$1,500 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 made 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; and
- (7) The total amount of personal checks accepted by any one licensee pursuant to this subsection that are outstanding at any time, including the current check being submitted, does not exceed \$1,500.
- 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 1 revenue pursuant to section 24 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-24). 2

- 3 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 4 casino as provided in this section would be prohibited by 5 submitting to the commission the person's name, address, and 6 7 date of birth. The person does not need to provide a reason for 8 this request. The commission shall provide this list to the credit 9 department of each casino; neither the commission nor the credit 10 department of a casino shall divulge the names on this list to any 11 person or entity other than those provided for in this subsection. 12 If such a person wishes to have that person's name removed from 13 the list, the person shall submit this request to the commission, 14 which shall so inform the credit departments of casinos no later than three days after the submission of the request. 15 16
  - (cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.39)

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- 34. Section 103 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-103) is amended to read as follows:
- 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 Statutes, the rules, regulations and bulletins promulgated by the director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, or any provision promulgated by any local authority, the authority to issue, renew, transfer, revoke or suspend a Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License or any portion, location, privilege or condition thereof; to fine or penalize a Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage Licensee; to enforce all statutes, laws, rulings, or regulations relating to such license; and to collect license fees and establish application standards therefor, shall be, consistent with this act, exclusively vested in the commission or the division.
- d. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions 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.
- Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, commission may promulgate any regulations and special rulings and findings as may be necessary for the proper enforcement, regulation, and control of alcoholic beverages in casino hotels when the commission finds that the uniqueness of casino operations and the public interest require that such regulations, rulings, and findings are appropriate. Regulations of the commission may include but are not limited to: designation and duties of enforcement personnel; all forms necessary convenient in the administration of this section; inspections, investigations, searches, seizures; licensing and disciplinary

standards; requirements and standards for any hearings or disciplinary or other proceedings that may be required from time to time; the assessment of fines or penalties for violations; hours of sale; sales in original containers; sales on credit; out-of-door sales; limitations on sales; gifts and promotional materials; locations or places for sale; control of signs and other displays; identification of licensees and their employees; employment of and minors; storage, transportation and requirements; records to be kept by the Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage Licensees and availability thereof; practices unduly designed to increase consumption of alcoholic beverages; and such other matters whatsoever as are or may become necessary 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 beverages in, on or about any portion of the premises of a casino hotel, unless said person possesses a Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License.
- (2) It shall be unlawful for any person issued a Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License to expose, possess, sell, give, dispense, transfer, or otherwise dispose of alcoholic beverages, other than within the terms and conditions of the Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License issued, the provisions of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes, the rules and regulations promulgated by the director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, and, when applicable, the regulations promulgated pursuant to this act.
- 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 receptacle, but not in an original container, for on-premise consumption within a casino; provided, however, that no alcoholic beverage shall be sold, given or be available for consumption; offered, delivered or otherwise brought to a patron; or consumed at a gaming table unless so requested by the patron.
- (2) To sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open receptacle for on-premise consumption within a casino hotel, but not in a casino, or from a fixed location outside a building or structure containing a casino but on a casino hotel premises.
- (3) To sell any alcoholic beverage in original containers for consumption outside the licensed area from an enclosed package room not in a casino.
- (4) To sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open receptacle or in original containers from a room service location within an enclosed room not in a casino; provided, however, that any sale of alcoholic 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), (3), or (5) of this subsection.

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- (5) To possess or to store alcoholic beverages in original containers intended but not actually exposed for sale at a fixed location on a casino hotel premises, not in a casino; and to 4 transfer or deliver such alcoholic beverages only to a location 5 approved pursuant to this section; provided, however, that no 6 access to or from a storage location shall be permitted except 8 during the normal course of business by employees or agents of the licensee, or by licensed employees or agents of wholesalers or 9 10 distributors licensed pursuant to Title 33 of the Revised Statutes and any applicable rules and regulations; and provided further, 11 however, that no provision of this section shall be construed to 12 prohibit a Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage Licensee from 13 14 obtaining an off-site storage license from the Division of 15 Alcoholic Beverage Control.
  - (6) To sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open receptacle, but not in an original container, for on-premises consumption within a simulcasting facility.
  - 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 authorizes the possession, sale or storage of alcoholic beverages pursuant to subsection g.(2), (3), (4), or (5) of this section shall issue to any applicant who would not qualify under the standards for licensure of a casino service industry pursuant to subsection c. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92).
  - (3) No Casino Hotel Alcoholic Beverage License which authorizes the possession or storage of alcoholic beverages pursuant to subsection g. 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) 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.
  - j. Jurisdiction over all alcoholic beverage licenses previously 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.
- 48 (cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.41)
- 35. Section 104 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-104) is amended to 49 read as follows: 50
  - 104. Casino Licensee--Leases and Contracts. a. (1) Unless otherwise provided in this subsection, no agreement which provides for the payment, however defined, of any direct or indirect interest, percentage or share of any money or property

gambled at a casino or derived from casino gaming activity or of any such interest, percentage, or share of any revenues, profits or earnings of a casino shall be lawful.

- (2) Agreements which provide only for the payment of a fixed sum which is in no way affected by the amount of any such money, property, revenues, profits or earnings shall not be subject to the provisions of this subsection; and receipts, rentals or charges for real property, personal property or services shall not lose their character as payments of a fixed sum because of contract, lease, or license provisions for adjustments in charges, rentals or fees on account of changes in taxes or assessments, cost-of-living index escalations, expansion or improvement of facilities, or changes in services supplied.
- (3) Agreements between a casino licensee and its employees which provide for casino employee or casino key employee profit sharing and which are in writing and have been filed with the commission shall be lawful and effective only if expressly approved as to their terms by the commission.
- (4) Agreements to lease an approved hotel building or the land thereunder and agreements for the complete management of a casino shall not be subject to the provisions of this subsection but shall rather be subject to the provisions of subsections b. and c. of section 82 of this act.
- (5) Agreements which provide for percentage charges between the casino licensee and a holding company or intermediary company of the casino licensee shall be in writing and filed with the commission but shall not be subject to the provisions of this subsection.
- (6) Agreements between a casino licensee and an in-State or out-of-State sending track licensed or exempt from licensure in accordance with subsection c. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92) shall be in writing, be filed with the commission, and be subject to the terms of this section.
- Each casino applicant or licensee shall maintain, in accordance with the rules of the commission, a record of each unwritten agreement regarding construction, maintenance, or business of a proposed or existing casino hotel or related facility. The foregoing obligation shall apply regardless of whether the casino applicant or licensee is a party to the agreement. Any such agreement may be reviewed by the commission on the basis of the reasonableness of its terms, including the terms of compensation, and of the qualifications of the owners, officers, and directors of any enterprise involved in the agreement, which qualifications shall be reviewed according to the standards enumerated in section 86 of this act. If the commission disapproves such an agreement or the owners, officers, or directors of any enterprise involved therein, the commission may require its termination.

Every agreement required to be maintained, and every related agreement the performance of which is dependent upon the performance of any such agreement, shall be deemed to include a provision to the effect that, if the commission shall require termination of an agreement pursuant to this subsection, such termination shall occur without liability on the part of the casino

applicant or licensee or any qualified party to the agreement or any related agreement. Failure expressly to include such a provision in the agreement shall not constitute a defense in any action brought to terminate the agreement. If the agreement is not maintained or presented to the commission in accordance with commission regulations, or the disapproved agreement is not terminated, the commission may pursue any remedy or combination of remedies provided in this act.

For the purposes of this subsection, "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.).

- c. Nothing in this act shall be deemed to permit the transfer of any license, or any interest in any license, or any certificate of compliance or any commitment or reservation.
- 17 (cf: P.L.1987, c.355, s.8)

- 36. Section 119 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-119) is amended to read as follows:
  - 119. Gaming by Certain Persons Prohibited; Penalties; Defenses. a. No person under the age at which a person is authorized to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages [, other than a person licensed under the provisions of this act in the regular course of his licensed activities,] shall enter, or wager at any game in, a licensed casino or a casino simulcasting facility established pursuant to the "Casino Simulcasting Act," P.L., c. (C. ) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) [except by way of passage to another room]; provided, however, that such a person may enter a casino or simulcasting facility by way of passage to another room, and provided further, however, that any such person who is licensed or registered under the provisions of the Casino Control Act, P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-1 et seq.), may enter a casino or casino simulcasting facility in the regular course of the person's permitted activities.
  - 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 or wager in a casino or a casino simulcasting facility established pursuant to the "Casino Simulcasting Act," P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), is guilty of a disorderly persons offense; 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
  - (3) That the admission was made in good faith, relying upon such written representation and appearance, and in the reasonable belief that the underage person was actually at or over the age at which a person is authorized to purchase and

consume alcoholic beverages.

(cf: P.L.1991, c.182, s.51)

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- 37. (New section) a. (1) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the New Jersey Racing Commission, upon application by a receiving track, as defined in section 2 of P.L.1985, c.269 (C.5:5-111), and in accordance with applicable federal law, may permit the track to receive, in addition to the horse races authorized by section 10 of P.L.1985, c.269 (C.5:5-119), simulcast transmissions of the racing program, in full or in part, from any out-of-State sending track, as defined in section 2 of P.L.1985, c.269 (C.5:5-111), during any time period, provided that the receiving track agrees to receive all simulcast horse races which any in-State sending track wishes to transmit to it during that same time period, and provided further that, except as provided in subsection b. of this section, the parimutuel pools at the receiving track shall be combined with comparable parimutuel pools at the out-of-State sending track. No limit shall be placed on the number of racing programs the track may receive from out-of-State sending tracks except as otherwise provided herein.
- (2) Whenever an out-of-State sending track participates in simulcasting pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection and the parimutuel pools are combined at the out-of-State sending track, the types of wagering, takeout, distribution of winnings, rules of racing, method of calculating breakage, and the percentage of deposits remaining undistributed from a parimutuel pool after payment is made to winning ticket holders shall be determined in accordance with the law or policy applicable to the out-of-State sending track. However, moneys resulting from breakage on amounts wagered at the receiving track and from outstanding parimutuel tickets issued at the receiving track in all instances shall be distributed as provided by section 38 of this act.
- With the prior approval of the New Jersey Racing Commission and the concurrence of the out-of-State sending track, a receiving track and receiving tracks or entities in other states other than the state in which the sending track is located may form an interstate common pool, as defined in section 2 of P.L.1985, c.269 (C.5:5-111). With respect to such interstate common pools, the Racing Commission may approve types of wagering, takeout, distribution of winnings, rules of racing, method of calculating breakage, and a percentage of deposits remaining undistributed from a parimutuel pool after payment is made to winning ticket holders which are different from those which would otherwise be applied in this State but which are consistent for all parties to the interstate common pool. However, moneys resulting from breakage on amounts wagered at the receiving track and from outstanding parimutuel tickets issued at the receiving track in all instances shall be distributed as provided in section 38 of this act.
- c. A receiving track which is authorized by the New Jersey Racing Commission to receive the racing program, in full or in part, from an out-of-State sending track pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall pay the out-of-State sending track an amount equal to not more than 3% of each parimutuel pool generated at the receiving track. If the receiving track

negotiates an agreement to pay the out-of-State sending track an amount equal to less than 3% of the parimutuel pool generated at the receiving track, the receiving track shall be entitled to retain the difference between the amount agreed upon and 3%.

- 38. a. If a receiving track which is authorized by the New Jersey Racing Commission to receive the racing program, in full or in part, from an out-of-State sending track pursuant to section 37 of this act is not conducting live racing at the time of receiving the out-of-State races, the amount resulting from the takeout rate shall be distributed as follows:
- (1) .50% of the parimutuel pool generated at the in-State receiving track shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission for deposit in the General Fund;
- (2) .50% of the parimutuel pool generated at the in-State receiving track shall be deposited as follows:
- (a) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts harness races, in the special trust account established pursuant to or specified in section 46a.(2) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2b. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(1) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(a) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, for use and distribution as provided in section 46a.(2)(a), (b), and (c) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2b.(1), (2), and (3) of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(1)(a), (b), and (c) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(a)(i), (ii), and (iii) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7); and
- (b) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts running races, in the special trust account established pursuant to or specified in section 46b.(1)(e) or (2)(e)of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(3) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(c) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, for use and distribution as provided therein;
- (3) .03% of the parimutuel pool generated at the <sup>2</sup>[casino] in-State receiving track<sup>2</sup> shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission and set aside in the special trust account for horse breeding and development for distribution and use as provided in section 5 of P.L.1967, c.40 (C.5:5-88);
- (4) on the basis of all races in each program, or if two or more programs are being transmitted simultaneously, on the basis of all races in all such programs running simultaneously, 3.5% of the first \$100,000 of the total pool generated at the in-State receiving track; 5% of the total pool from \$100,001 to \$150,000; 5.5% of the total pool from \$150,001 to \$250,000; 6% of the total pool from \$250,001 to \$300,000; and, if the amount of the total pool is above \$300,000, 6.25% of the total amount of the pool or the percentage of the parimutuel pool for overnight purses on live races that the receiving track and horsemen have agreed to by contract, whichever is greater, shall be paid as follows:
- (a) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts harness races, as overnight purse money at the next race meeting at the receiving track, except that if the receiving track is conducting a horse race meeting at the same time as the receipt of the simulcast horse races, the receiving track shall use those sums to supplement overnight purses at that horse race meeting,

and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association of New Jersey, as provided in section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and

- (b) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts running races, as overnight purse money at the next race meeting at the receiving track, except that if the receiving track is conducting a horse race meeting at the same time as the receipt of the simulcast horse races, the receiving track shall use those sums to supplement overnight purses at that horse race meeting, and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association, as provided in section 46b.(1)(d) or (2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and
- (5) the amount remaining after the deduction of the amounts under paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and (4) shall be paid to the receiving track.
- b. If a receiving track includes out-of-State races as part of its live racing program in any way, the amount resulting from the takeout rate shall be distributed as follows:
- (1) .50% of the parimutuel pool generated at the in-State receiving track shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission for deposit in the General Fund;
- (2) .50% of the parimutuel pool generated at the in-State receiving track shall be deposited as follows:
- (a) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts harness races, in the special trust account established pursuant to or specified in section 46a.(2) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2b. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(1) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(a) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, for use and distribution as provided in section 46a.(2)(a), (b), and (c) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2b.(1), (2), and (3) of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(1)(a), (b), and (c) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(a)(i), (ii), and (iii) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7); and
- (b) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts running races, in the special trust account established pursuant to or specified in section 46b.(1)(e) or (2)(e)of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(3) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(c) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate, for use and distribution as provided therein;
- (3) .03% of the parimutuel pool generated at the <sup>2</sup>[casino] in-State receiving track<sup>2</sup> shall be paid to the New Jersey Racing Commission and set aside in the special trust account for horse breeding and development for distribution and use as provided in section 5 of P.L.1967, c.40 (C.5:5-88);
- (4) 6% of the parimutuel pool generated at the in-State receiving track or the percentage of the parimutuel pool for overnight purses on live races that the racetrack and horsemen have agreed to by contract, whichever is greater, shall be paid as follows:

- (a) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts 1 harness races, as overnight purse money at the current race 2 3 meeting at the receiving track and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' 4 5 Association of New Jersey, as provided in section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 6 7 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and 8
  - (b) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts running races, as overnight purse money at the current race meeting at the receiving track and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association, as provided in section 46b.(1)(d) or (2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and
  - (5) the amount remaining after the deduction of the amounts under paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4) shall be paid to the receiving track.
  - c. All breakage moneys and outstanding parimutuel ticket moneys resulting from the wagering at the receiving track on the additional out-of-State simulcast races authorized by section 37 shall be divided as follows:
    - (1) 50% shall be paid to the receiving track; and
    - (2) 50% shall be paid as follows:

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- (b) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts running races, as overnight purse money at the receiving track and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association, as provided in section 46b.(1)(d) or (2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate.
- <sup>2</sup>39. Section 42 of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-62) is amended to read as follows:
  - 42. A permit holder may provide a place or places in the race meeting grounds or enclosure at which such holder of a permit may conduct and supervise the parimutuel system of wagering by patrons on the results of the horse races conducted by such permit holder at a horse race meeting [or], on the results of simulcast horse races as provided by the "Simulcasting Racing Act," P.L. 1985, c. 269 (C. 5:5-110 et seq.), or on the results of simulcast horse races as provided by section 37 of P.L., c. ) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), and such parimutuel system of wagering upon the results of such horse
- 52 53 races shall not under any circumstances, if conducted under the

54 provisions of this act and in conformity thereto, be held or

construed to be unlawful, other statutes of the State of New 1 Jersey to the contrary notwithstanding. Such place or places so 2 provided in conformity with this section shall be equipped with 3 such automatic ticket issuing and vending machines and with 4 adding machine equipment capable of accurate and speedy 5 determination of the amount of money in each pool and on each 6 horse and the amount of award or dividend to winning patrons and 7 8 displaying the same to the patrons. Such machine shall further be equipped with automatic or hand operated machinery suitable for 9 10 displaying on the mutuel board across the track, in plain view of the public, the total amount of sales on each and every race and 11 the amount of award or dividend to winning patrons.<sup>2</sup> 12 13

(cf: P.L.1985, c.269, s.13)

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<sup>2</sup>40. Section 43 of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-63) is amended to read as follows:

The machine, or mutuel board, is also to display the approximate odds on each horse in any race; the value of a \$2.00 mutuel ticket, straight, place and show, on the first three horses in any race; the elapsed time of the race; the value of a \$2.00 daily double ticket, if conducted, and any other information that may be necessary for the guidance of the general public. Any such machine must be approved by the commission before it may be used, and to prevent a monopoly in the use of any particular machine or type thereof the commission may in its discretion approve the use of any other machine. No other place or method of betting, pool making, wagering or gambling shall be used or permitted by the holder of a permit, nor shall the parimutuel system of wagering be conducted on any races except horse races at the racetrack where such parimutuel system of wagering is conducted [or], simulcast horse races as provided by the "Simulcasting Racing Act," sections 1 through 12 of P.L. 1985, c. 269 (C. 5:5-110 et seq.), or simulcast horse races as provided by section 37 of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill).2

(cf: P.L.1985, c.269, s.14)

<sup>2</sup>41. Section 73 of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-73) is amended to read as follows:

73. Nothing herein, however, shall be construed to permit the parimutuel system of wagering upon any racetrack unless such racetrack be first granted a permit as provided by this act; and it is hereby declared to be unlawful for any person, partnership, association or corporation to permit, conduct or supervise upon any racetrack the parimutuel system of wagering except in accordance with the provisions of this act [or], the "Simulcasting Racing Act," P.L. 1985, c. 269 (C. 5:5-110 et seq.), or section 37 of P.L. , c. (C. ) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill).2

(cf: P.L.1985, c.269, s.15) 48

<sup>2</sup>[39.] 42.<sup>2</sup> This act shall take effect immediately. 49

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3	The "Casino Simulcasting Act," authorizes wagering at casinos in
4	Atlantic City on the results of simulcast horse races; extends
5	simulcast horse races which may be received by New Jersey
6	racetracks.

- P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and
- (b) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts running races, as overnight purse money at the current race meeting at the receiving track and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association, as provided in section 46b.(1)(d) or (2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and
- (5) the amount remaining after the deduction of the amounts under paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4) shall be paid to the receiving track.
- c. All breakage moneys and outstanding parimutuel ticket moneys resulting from the wagering at the receiving track on the additional out-of-State simulcast races authorized by section 37 shall be divided as follows:
  - (1) 50% shall be paid to the receiving track; and
  - (2) 50% shall be paid as follows:
- (a) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts harness races, as overnight purse money at the receiving track and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association of New Jersey, as provided in section 46a.(4) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 2d. of P.L.1984, c.236 (C.5:5-66.1), section 5a.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(1)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate; and
- (b) in the case of an in-State receiving track which conducts running races, as overnight purse money at the receiving track and for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horseman's Benevolent Association, as provided in section 46b.(1)(d) or (2)(d) of P.L.1940, c.17 (C.5:5-66), section 5b.(2) of P.L.1982, c.201 (C.5:5-98), or section 7f.(2)(b) of P.L.1971, c.137 (C.5:10-7), as appropriate.

39. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### **STATEMENT**

This bill, the "Casino Simulcasting Act," implements the constitutional amendment approved by the voters in November 1990 which authorized the simulcasting of horse races to casinos in Atlantic City. It would allow casinos to receive simultaneous transmissions by picture of running or harness horse races conducted at in-State and out-of-State racetracks and to conduct wagering on the results of the races.

A casino which wishes to conduct casino simulcasting would establish a separate casino simulcasting facility on the casino's premises to be operated by licensed employees of the casino; the facility could be, but is not required to be, located adjacent to the casino room. An in-State racetrack must be approved by the New Jersey Racing Commission to conduct casino simulcasting. An in-State racetrack may choose which of its races to transmit

to casinos; however, a casino which operates a simulcasting facility must receive all races transmitted from New Jersey racetracks. A casino also may negotiate to receive simulcast horse races from out-of-State racetracks which have been approved by the commission.

Sums wagered at a casino on the results of simulcast horse races at an in-State racetrack would be included in the appropriate parimutuel pool at the racetrack. After the appropriate amounts have been paid to winning ticketholders in accordance with existing laws, the remaining amount of the parimutuel pool would be divided among a State fund dedicated for programs for senior citizens, the casino, the sending racetrack and the racing industry according to a formula in the bill. Amounts wagered on races transmitted from out-of-State racetracks which remain undistributed after payment to the sending racetrack would be divided according to a formula specified in the bill.

Limits are placed on the amount a casino may pay an out-of-State racetrack for simulcasting a horse race. Casino participation in interstate common pools is required in order to receive a simulcast horse race from out-of-State. The bill also would compensate the Atlantic City Racetrack during a specified period for business it is expected to lose because of casino simulcasting.

The bill authorizes casino games other than slot machines to be conducted in a simulcasting facility in a casino subject to the rules and regulations of the Casino Control Commission.

This bill would also allow the New Jersey Racing Commission to authorize New Jersey racetracks to receive simulcast horse races from out-of-State sending tracks in addition to those they presently can receive. The parimutuel pool generated at the in-State receiving tracks shall be distributed on the basis of a formula specified in the bill.

The "Casino Simulcasting Act," authorizes wagering at casinos in Atlantic City on the results of simulcast horse races; extends simulcast horse races which may be received by New Jersey racetracks.

#### SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

# SENATE, No. 653

with Senate committee amendments

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 6, 1992

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 653.

The "Casino Simulcasting Act," implements the constitutional amendment approved by the voters in November 1990 which authorized the simulcasting of horse races to casinos in Atlantic City. The bill allows casinos to receive simultaneous transmissions by picture of running or harness horse races conducted at in-State and out-of-State racetracks and to conduct wagering on the results of the races. The major provisions of the bill are as follows:

- 1. Casinos which wish to conduct casino simulcasting would establish a separate casino simulcasting facility on the casino's premises to be operated by licensed employees of the casino. The facility could be but is not required to be located adjacent to the casino room. This bill authorizes casino games other than slot machines to be conducted in a simulcasting facility in a casino subject to the rules and regulations of the Casino Control Commission.
- 2. An in-State racetrack must be approved by the New Jersey State Racing Commission to conduct casino simulcasting. An in-State racetrack may choose which of its races to transmit to casinos; however, if it transmits races, it must transmit to all casinos, and a casino which operates a simulcasting facility must receive all races transmitted from New Jersey racetracks.
- 3. Casinos may also negotiate to receive simulcast horse races from out-of-State race tracks. Casinos may not pay out-of-State racetracks an amount equal to more than 3% of the parimutuel pool generated at the casino for the transmission of any race except casinos may pay up to 6% of the parimutuel pool with respect to no more than 20 races per year.

In order to be eligible to participate in simulcasting, an out-of-State track must be licensed as a casino service industry, although the Casino Control Commission may waive licensing if certain criteria are met. Casino participation in interstate common pools is required in order to receive a simulcast horse race from out-of-State.

4. Sums wagered at a casino on the results of simulcast horse races at an in-State racetrack would be included in the appropriate parimutuel pool at the racetrack. After the appropriate amounts have been paid to winning ticketholders in accordance with existing laws, the remaining amount of the parimutuel pool would be divided among a State fund established by the bill which would be dedicated for programs for senior citizens, the casino, and the racing industry according to a formula in the bill (i.e. the sending racetracks, purse

money and programs for horsemen, breeders' programs). Amounts wagered on races transmitted from out-of-State racetracks which remain undistributed after payment to the sending racetrack, would also be divided according to a formula specified in the bill among the fund for senior citizens programs, the casino and the racing industry.

5. In order to compensate Atlantic City Racetrack for business it is anticipated the track would lose because of simulcasting, Atlantic City Racetrack would be entitled to \$2,000,000 per year for calendar years 1993, 1994 and 1995. This money would be derived from sums bet at casinos on simulcasts from out-of-State tracks. In order to be eligible for this money, Atlantic City Racetrack may not simulcast any race except when a horse racing meeting is being held at the track.

The bill also provides that any employee of the Atlantic City Racetrack who had been licensed for the previous five years and who loses employment as a direct result of simulcasting would be given preference in hiring at any casino simulcasting facility. Language which would have required a determination by the Racing Commission that the person lost their job as a result of simulcasting was deleted by amendment.

This bill would also allow the New Jersey Racing Commission to authorize New Jersey racetracks to receive simulcast horse races from out-of-State sending tracks in addition to those they presently can receive. The parimutuel pool generated at the in-State receiving tracks shall be distributed on the basis of a formula specified in the bill between the State and the racing industry.

7. The bill establishes a procedure whereby racetracks and those in the racing industry may petition the Racing Commission for revision of the formula for dividing moneys derived from casino simulcasting of out-of-State racing which are designated for distribution among the State's racetracks for payment as purse money and for programs to aid horsemen. Such a petition could only be filed after simulcasting has been in operation for three years.

#### SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[FIRST REPRINT] SENATE, No. 653

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**DATED: MAY 4, 1992** 

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 653 (1R).

S-653 (1R), the "Casino Simulcasting Act" was released by this committee on April 6. S-653 (1R) was recommitted to the committee for the purpose of considering several amendments. These amendments which are of a technical nature would:

- 1. Clarify that if sports wagering is permitted in the future in casinos, the Casino Control Commission would have rule making power with regard to sports betting. As drafted, S-653 (1R) appeared to grant rule making power to both the Casino Control Commission and the Racing Commission with regard to sports betting.
- 2. Clarify that certain funds which are to be distributed to the racing industry pursuant to the formula established by the bill would come out of parimutual pools generated at in-state receiving tracks rather than from the parimutual pools generated at the casinos.
- 3. Amends various sections of the "Simulcasting Racing Act" found in Title 5 to reflect the authority granted under the provisions of S-653 (1R) to New Jersey tracks to simulcast races from out-of-state tracks.