



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments*

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States that for two years after the bill's effective date, any person holding a Horse Racing Law permit to conduct horse-racing meetings at a facility owned by a political subdivision can apply for, and the State Racing Commission can grant, a permit to conduct horse-racing meetings at a location at which those meetings have not previously been conducted if the proposed location is in the same or a contiguous county and is within 50 miles of the current location, but is not in the same county as another location at which live horse-racing meetings are conducted.

Changes the disclosure threshold that a casino operator, management company, or holding company license application must contain regarding the identity of persons having a direct or indirect interest in the applicant.

Specifies that the Ohio Casino Control Commission can assess a renewal fee for casino-related licenses in the amount necessary to cover the Commission's costs.

Permits a casino facility to be opened in phases.

Prohibits the Commission from requiring the use of a central system by casino operators if the casino operator is in compliance with the Casino Law.

Creates the Casino Operator Settlement Fund.

Specifies that casino operators and management companies may provide promotional gaming credits to their patrons.

Treats casino gaming receipts of casino operators the same under the commercial activity tax as they are treated under the gross casino revenue tax.

Establishes that a card for the purchase of gasoline is a redeemable voucher for a skill-based amusement machine.

Contains a severability clause.

* This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the Senate Floor.