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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 7—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD)

PREFILED DECEMBER 19, 2012

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to gaming. (BDR 41-333)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to gaming; revising the definition of “resort hotel”; revising provisions relating to the Gaming Policy Committee; making appropriations; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law generally provides that the Nevada Gaming Commission is  
 2 prohibited from approving a nonrestricted license for an establishment in a county  
 3 whose population is 100,000 or more (currently Clark and Washoe Counties) unless  
 4 the establishment is a resort hotel. (NRS 463.1605) Existing law defines “resort  
 5 hotel” as any building or group of buildings that is maintained as and held out to  
 6 the public to be a hotel where sleeping accommodations are furnished to the  
 7 transient public and that has: (1) more than 200 rooms available for sleeping  
 8 accommodations; (2) at least one bar with permanent seating capacity for more than  
 9 30 patrons that serves alcoholic beverages sold by the drink for consumption on the  
 10 premises; (3) at least one restaurant with permanent seating capacity for more than  
 11 60 patrons that is open to the public 24 hours each day and 7 days each week; and  
 12 (4) a gaming area within the building or group of buildings. (NRS 463.01865)  
 13 **Section 1** of this bill revises the definition of “resort hotel” to provide that in a  
 14 county whose population is 100,000 or more but less than 700,000 (currently  
 15 Washoe County), an establishment must have more than 300 rooms available for  
 16 sleeping accommodations. Under **section 3.5** of this bill, the revised definition of  
 17 “resort hotel” does not apply to an establishment that holds a nonrestricted license  
 18 on July 1, 2013, unless the establishment ceases gaming operations for 24 or more  
 19 consecutive months.

20 Existing law establishes the Gaming Policy Committee and provides for the  
 21 composition and duties of the Committee. (NRS 463.021) **Section 1.5** of this bill:  
 22 (1) adds to the Committee a representative of academia who possesses knowledge  
 23 of matters related to gaming; (2) authorizes the Governor, as Chair of the



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24 Committee, to appoint an advisory committee on gaming education; and (3)  
25 specifies the duties of the advisory committee.  
26 **Sections 2 and 3** of this bill make appropriations to the State Gaming Control  
27 Board and the Nevada Gaming Commission for various travel, staffing and  
28 operating costs.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 463.01865 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 463.01865 "Resort hotel" means any building or group of  
4 buildings that is maintained as and held out to the public to be a  
5 hotel where sleeping accommodations are furnished to the transient  
6 public and that has:

7 1. ~~More~~ *In a county whose population:*  
8 (a) *Is 700,000 or more, more* than 200 rooms available for  
9 sleeping accommodations; *or*  
10 (b) *Is 100,000 or more and less than 700,000, more than 300*  
11 *rooms available for sleeping accommodations;*

12 2. At least one bar with permanent seating capacity for more  
13 than 30 patrons that serves alcoholic beverages sold by the drink for  
14 consumption on the premises;

15 3. At least one restaurant with permanent seating capacity for  
16 more than 60 patrons that is open to the public 24 hours each day  
17 and 7 days each week; and

18 4. A gaming area within the building or group of buildings.

19 **Sec. 1.5.** NRS 463.021 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 463.021 1. The Gaming Policy Committee, consisting of the  
21 Governor as Chair and ~~10~~ *11* members, is hereby created.

22 2. The Committee must be composed of:

23 (a) One member of the Commission, designated by the Chair of  
24 the Commission;

25 (b) One member of the Board, designated by the Chair of the  
26 Board;

27 (c) One member of the Senate appointed by the Legislative  
28 Commission;

29 (d) One member of the Assembly appointed by the Legislative  
30 Commission;

31 (e) One enrolled member of a Nevada Indian tribe appointed by  
32 the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc.; and

33 (f) ~~Five~~ *Six* members appointed by the Governor for terms of 2  
34 years as follows:

35 (1) Two representatives of the general public;



1 (2) Two representatives of nonrestricted gaming licensees;

2 ~~and~~

3 (3) One representative of restricted gaming licensees **H** ;

4 *and*

5 *(4) One representative of academia who possesses*  
6 *knowledge of matters related to gaming.*

7 3. Members who are appointed by the Governor serve at the  
8 pleasure of the Governor.

9 4. Members who are Legislators serve terms beginning when  
10 the Legislature convenes and continuing until the next regular  
11 session of the Legislature is convened.

12 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the Governor  
13 may call meetings of the Gaming Policy Committee for the  
14 exclusive purpose of discussing matters of gaming policy. The  
15 recommendations concerning gaming policy made by the  
16 Committee pursuant to this subsection are advisory and not binding  
17 on the Board or the Commission in the performance of their duties  
18 and functions.

19 6. An appeal filed pursuant to NRS 463.3088 may be  
20 considered only by a Review Panel of the Committee. The Review  
21 Panel must consist of the members of the Committee who are  
22 identified in paragraphs (a), (b) and (e) of subsection 2 and  
23 subparagraph (1) of paragraph (f) of subsection 2.

24 *7. The Governor, as Chair of the Committee, may appoint an*  
25 *advisory committee on gaming education. An advisory committee*  
26 *appointed pursuant to this subsection must:*

27 *(a) Contain not more than five members who serve at the*  
28 *pleasure of the Governor; and*

29 *(b) Be chaired by the person selected as chair by the Governor.*

30 8. *An advisory committee created pursuant to subsection 7*  
31 *shall:*

32 *(a) Review and evaluate all gaming-related educational*  
33 *entities in this State, including, without limitation, the Culinary*  
34 *Academy of Las Vegas, the Institute for the Study of Gambling*  
35 *and Commercial Gaming of the University of Nevada, Reno, and*  
36 *the UNLV International Gaming Institute of the William F.*  
37 *Harrah College of Hotel Administration of the University of*  
38 *Nevada, Las Vegas, to determine how to align such entities with*  
39 *the needs of the gaming industry;*

40 *(b) Study and analyze the workforce and technology needs of*  
41 *the gaming industry to determine how the gaming-related*  
42 *educational entities may satisfy those needs;*

43 *(c) Study the potential for leveraging gaming-related*  
44 *competencies and technologies developed by gaming-related*  
45 *educational entities into other industries; and*



1 *(d) Report any findings and recommendations to the*  
2 *Committee.*

3 **Sec. 2.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State  
4 General Fund to the State Gaming Control Board the following  
5 sums for travel and operating costs:

6	For the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 .....	\$15,208
7	For the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 .....	\$15,208

8 2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1  
9 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be  
10 committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal  
11 years by the State Gaming Control Board or any entity to which  
12 money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in  
13 any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining  
14 must not be spent for any purpose after September 19, 2014, and  
15 September 18, 2015, respectively, by either the State Gaming  
16 Control Board or the entity to which the money was subsequently  
17 granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General  
18 Fund on or before September 19, 2014, and September 18, 2015,  
19 respectively.

20 **Sec. 3.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State  
21 General Fund to the Nevada Gaming Commission the following  
22 sums for staffing and operating costs:

23	For the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 .....	\$54,673
24	For the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 .....	\$55,083

25 2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1  
26 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be  
27 committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal  
28 years by the Nevada Gaming Commission or any entity to which  
29 money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in  
30 any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining  
31 must not be spent for any purpose after September 19, 2014, and  
32 September 18, 2015, respectively, by either the Nevada Gaming  
33 Commission or the entity to which the money was subsequently  
34 granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General  
35 Fund on or before September 19, 2014, and September 18, 2015,  
36 respectively.

37 **Sec. 3.5.** The amendatory provisions of section 1 of this act do  
38 not apply to an establishment that holds a nonrestricted license on  
39 July 1, 2013, unless the establishment ceases gaming operations for  
40 24 or more consecutive months.

41 **Sec. 4.** 1. This section and sections 1, 2, 3 and 3.5 of this act  
42 become effective on July 1, 2013.

43 2. Section 1.5 of this act becomes effective on October 1, 2013.

