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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to jai alai; amending s.  
3           550.002, F.S.; redefining the term "full  
4           schedule of live racing or games" for purposes  
5           of ch. 550, F.S., to include a jai alai  
6           permitholder who conducted a certain number of  
7           live performances in a specified time period;  
8           amending s. 550.09511, F.S.; providing the  
9           amount of license fees and taxes for a jai alai  
10          permitholder that conducts fewer than a certain  
11          number of live performances in any calendar  
12          year; providing an effective date.

14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

16           Section 1. Subsection (11) of section 550.002, Florida  
17 Statutes, is amended to read:

18           550.002 Definitions.--As used in this chapter, the  
19 term:

20           (11) "Full schedule of live racing or games" means,  
21 for a greyhound or jai alai permitholder, the conduct of a  
22 combination of at least 100 live evening or matinee  
23 performances during the preceding year; for a permitholder who  
24 has a converted permit or filed an application on or before  
25 June 1, 1990, for a converted permit, the conduct of a  
26 combination of at least 100 live evening and matinee wagering  
27 performances during either of the 2 preceding years; for a jai  
28 alai permitholder under whose permit a minimum of 100 live  
29 performances per year were conducted for at least 10 years  
30 after December 31, 1992, the conduct of a combination of at  
31 least 40 live evening or matinee performances during the

1 preceding year; for a harness permitholder, the conduct of at  
2 least 100 live regular wagering performances during the  
3 preceding year; for a quarter horse permitholder, the conduct  
4 of at least 40 live regular wagering performances during the  
5 preceding year; and for a thoroughbred permitholder, the  
6 conduct of at least 40 live regular wagering performances  
7 during the preceding year. For a permitholder which is  
8 restricted by statute to certain operating periods within the  
9 year when other members of its same class of permit are  
10 authorized to operate throughout the year, the specified  
11 number of live performances which constitute a full schedule  
12 of live racing or games shall be adjusted pro rata in  
13 accordance with the relationship between its authorized  
14 operating period and the full calendar year and the resulting  
15 specified number of live performances shall constitute the  
16 full schedule of live games for such permitholder and all  
17 other permitholders of the same class within 100 air miles of  
18 such permitholder. A live performance must consist of no fewer  
19 than eight races or games conducted live for each of a minimum  
20 of three performances each week at the permitholder's licensed  
21 facility under a single admission charge.

22 Section 2. Present subsection (4) of section  
23 550.09511, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection  
24 (5), and a new subsection (4) is added to that section to  
25 read:

26 550.09511 Jai alai taxes; abandoned interest in a  
27 permit for nonpayment of taxes.--

28 (4) A jai alai permitholder conducting fewer than 100  
29 live performances in any calendar year shall pay to the state  
30 the same aggregate amount of daily license fees on live jai  
31 alai games, admissions tax, and tax on live handle as that

1 permitholder paid to the state during the most recent prior  
2 calendar year in which the jai alai permitholder conducted at  
3 least 100 live performances.

4 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

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7 SENATE SUMMARY

8 Redefines the term "full schedule of live racing or  
9 games" for purposes of ch. 550, F.S., to include a jai  
10 alai permitholder who conducted 100 live performances  
11 during a specified time period. Provides the amount of  
12 license fees and taxes for a jai alai permitholder that  
13 conducts fewer than 100 live performances in any calendar  
14 year.  
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