

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to cardrooms; amending s. 849.086, F.S.;  
 3           deleting a provision authorizing cardrooms to operate only  
 4           during authorized pari-mutuel events; deleting an  
 5           exception that allows pari-mutuel permitholders to operate  
 6           cardrooms on certain days when they are not holding pari-  
 7           mutuel events; providing hours of operation for cardrooms  
 8           at any horserace, greyhound, or jai alai facility that  
 9           conducted a full schedule of racing or games in the  
 10          preceding year; providing an effective date.

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

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 14           Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (7) of section  
 15           849.086, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

16           849.086 Cardrooms authorized.--

17           (7) CONDITIONS FOR OPERATING A CARDROOM.--

18           (b) Any horserace, greyhound, or jai alai permitholder  
 19 licensed under this chapter may operate a cardroom at the pari-  
 20 mutuel facility on any day between the hours of 12 noon and 12  
 21 midnight if the permitholder conducted a full schedule of live  
 22 racing or games in the preceding year. ~~A cardroom may be~~  
 23 ~~operated at the facility only when the facility is authorized to~~  
 24 ~~accept wagers on pari-mutuel events during its authorized meet.~~  
 25 ~~A cardroom may operate between the hours of 12 noon and 12~~  
 26 ~~midnight on any day a pari mutuel event is conducted live as a~~  
 27 ~~part of its authorized meet. However, a permitholder who holds a~~  
 28 ~~valid cardroom license may operate a cardroom between the hours~~

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29 ~~of 12 noon and 12 midnight on any day that live racing of the~~  
30 ~~same class of permit is occurring within 35 miles of its~~  
31 ~~facility if no other holder of that same class of permit within~~  
32 ~~35 miles is operating a cardroom at such time and if all holders~~  
33 ~~of the same class of permit within the 35-mile area have given~~  
34 ~~their permission in writing to the permitholder to operate the~~  
35 ~~cardroom during the designated period.~~ Application to operate a  
36 cardroom under this paragraph must be made to the division as  
37 part of the annual license application.

38 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.