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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to cardrooms; amending s.  
849.086, F.S.; providing for cardrooms to  
conduct games of dominoes; revising  
definitions; defining the term "dominoes";  
providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (a), (c), and (e) of subsection  
(2) and paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of section 849.086,  
Florida Statutes, are amended, paragraphs (h), (i), (j), and  
(k) of subsection (2) of that section are redesignated as  
paragraphs (i), (j), (k), and (l), respectively, and a new  
paragraph (h) is added to that subsection, to read:

849.086 Cardrooms authorized.--

(2) DEFINITIONS.--As used in this section:

(a) "Authorized game" means a game or series of games  
of poker or dominoes which are played in a nonbanking manner.

(c) "Cardroom" means a facility where authorized ~~card~~  
games are played for money or anything of value and to which  
the public is invited to participate in such games and charged  
a fee for participation by the operator of such facility.  
Authorized games and cardrooms do not constitute casino gaming  
operations.

(e) "Cardroom distributor" means any business that  
distributes cardroom paraphernalia such as card tables,  
betting chips, chip holders, dominoes, dominoes tables, drop  
boxes, banking supplies, playing cards, card shufflers, and  
other associated equipment to authorized cardrooms.

1           (h) "Dominoes" means a game of dominoes typically  
2 played with a set of 28 flat rectangular blocks, called bones,  
3 which are marked on one side and divided into two equal parts,  
4 with zero to six dots, called pips, in each part. The term  
5 also includes larger sets of blocks that contain a  
6 correspondingly higher number of pips. The term also means the  
7 set of blocks used to play the game.

8           (6) BUSINESS AND EMPLOYEE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE  
9 REQUIRED; APPLICATION; FEES.--

10           (a) A person employed or otherwise working in a  
11 cardroom as a cardroom manager, floor supervisor, pit boss,  
12 dealer, or any other activity related to cardroom operations  
13 while the facility is conducting card playing or games of  
14 dominoes must hold a valid cardroom employee occupational  
15 license issued by the division. Food service, maintenance, and  
16 security employees with a current pari-mutuel occupational  
17 license and a current background check will not be required to  
18 have a cardroom employee occupational license.

19           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

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22                                 SENATE SUMMARY

23           Authorizes cardrooms to conduct domino games. Defines  
24 terms related to such games.