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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

1 Representative(s) Sands offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 On page 1, between line(s) 21 and 22, insert:

5 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2), paragraph (a)
6 of subsection (4), paragraph (c) of subsection (7), and
7 paragraph (c) of subsection (12) of section 849.086, Florida
8 Statutes, are amended to read:

9 849.086 Cardrooms authorized.--

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

11 (a)1. "Authorized game" means a game or series of games of
12 poker which are played in a nonbanking manner.

13 2. "Authorized game facilitated by certified electronic
14 gaming equipment" means an authorized game as defined in
15 subparagraph 1. which is played on an electronic poker table
16 that shuffles, deals, pays pots, and otherwise conducts the game

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17 electronically so that players can play the game without a human
18 dealer. The electronic gaming equipment must be certified by a
19 department-approved, independent testing laboratory as providing
20 a mathematically random shuffle and deal process with an equal
21 probability of occurrence for each card.

22 (4) AUTHORITY OF DIVISION.--The Division of Pari-mutuel
23 Wagering of the Department of Business and Professional
24 Regulation shall administer this section and regulate the
25 operation of cardrooms under this section and the rules adopted
26 pursuant thereto, and is hereby authorized to:

27 (a) Adopt rules, including, but not limited to: the
28 issuance of cardroom and employee licenses for cardroom
29 operations; the operation of a cardroom; procedures for and
30 operation of authorized games facilitated by certified
31 electronic gaming equipment; recordkeeping and reporting
32 requirements; and the collection of all fees and taxes imposed
33 by this section.

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

35 (c) Except for authorized games facilitated by certified
36 electronic gaming equipment, a cardroom operator must at all
37 times employ and provide a nonplaying dealer for each table on
38 which authorized card games which traditionally utilize a dealer
39 are conducted at the cardroom. Such dealers may not have any
40 participatory interest in any game other than the dealing of
41 cards and may not have an interest in the outcome of the game.
42 The providing of such dealers by a licensee shall not be
43 construed as constituting the conducting of a banking game by
44 the cardroom operator.

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45 (12) PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES.--

46 (c) No electronic or mechanical devices, except mechanical
47 card shufflers or authorized games facilitated by certified
48 electronic gaming equipment, may be used to conduct any
49 authorized game in a cardroom.

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52 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

53 On page 1, line(s) 8,

54 remove: All of that line

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56 and insert:

57 trademark; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; defining the term

58 "authorized game facilitated by certified electronic gaming

59 equipment"; authorizing the use of certain electronic equipment

60 to facilitate play of games of poker; requiring certification of

61 such equipment; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering

62 of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to

63 adopt rules; providing an effective date.