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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to Florida Democracy Day; amending s.  
3           110.117, F.S.; providing that the day of a general  
4           election is a paid holiday observed by state branches  
5           and agencies; naming the holiday "Florida Democracy  
6           Day"; reenacting ss. 110.219(5)(c), 551.116, and  
7           849.086(7)(b), F.S., relating to state employee  
8           attendance and leave and days and hours of operation  
9           of slot machine gaming areas and cardrooms,  
10          respectively, to incorporate the amendment to s.  
11          110.117, F.S., in references thereto; providing an  
12          effective date.

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

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16           Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 110.117, Florida  
17           Statutes, is amended to read:

18           110.117 Paid holidays.—

19           (1) The following holidays shall be paid holidays observed  
20           by all state branches and agencies:

21           (a) New Year's Day.

22           (b) Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., third Monday in  
23           January.

24           (c) Memorial Day.

25           (d) Independence Day.

26           (e) Labor Day.

27           (f) The day of a general election as defined in s.  
28           97.021(15), which shall be "Florida Democracy Day."

29           (g) ~~(f)~~ Veterans' Day, November 11.

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30        (h)~~(g)~~ Thanksgiving Day.

31        (i)~~(h)~~ Friday after Thanksgiving.

32        (j)~~(i)~~ Christmas Day.

33        (k)~~(j)~~ If any of these holidays falls on Saturday, the  
34 preceding Friday shall be observed as a holiday. If any of these  
35 holidays falls on Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed  
36 as a holiday.

37        Section 2. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment  
38 made by this act to section 110.117, Florida Statutes, in a  
39 reference thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section  
40 110.219, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

41        110.219 Attendance and leave; general policies.—

42        (5) Rules shall be adopted by the department in cooperation  
43 and consultation with the agencies to implement the provisions  
44 of this section; however, such rules must be approved by the  
45 Administration Commission prior to their adoption. Such rules  
46 must provide for, but need not be limited to:

47        (c) Holidays as provided in s. 110.117.

48        Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment  
49 made by this act to section 110.117, Florida Statutes, in a  
50 reference thereto, section 551.116, Florida Statutes, is  
51 reenacted to read:

52        551.116 Days and hours of operation.—Slot machine gaming  
53 areas may be open daily throughout the year. The slot machine  
54 gaming areas may be open a cumulative amount of 18 hours per day  
55 on Monday through Friday and 24 hours per day on Saturday and  
56 Sunday and on those holidays specified in s. 110.117(1).

57        Section 4. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment  
58 made by this act to section 110.117, Florida Statutes, in a

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59 reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (7) of section  
60 849.086, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

61 849.086 Cardrooms authorized.—

62 (7) CONDITIONS FOR OPERATING A CARDROOM.—

63 (b) Any cardroom operator may operate a cardroom at the  
64 pari-mutuel facility daily throughout the year, if the  
65 permitholder meets the requirements under paragraph (5) (b). The  
66 cardroom may be open a cumulative amount of 18 hours per day on  
67 Monday through Friday and 24 hours per day on Saturday and  
68 Sunday and on the holidays specified in s. 110.117(1).

69 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.