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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Gaming (Margolis) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1610 and 1611

insert:

Section 25. Section 551.015, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:

551.015 Employment and political activity restrictions;
pari-mutuel applicants and permit holders and specified
department officials.—

(1) A person or entity who applies to the department for a
permit to conduct pari-mutuel operations or who holds a permit



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12 to conduct such operations under this part may not make a
13 contribution to the campaign account of an officeholder of, or a
14 candidate for, the office of Governor, Attorney General, Chief
15 Financial Officer, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator,
16 or state representative. In addition, such person or entity may
17 not make a contribution to a political committee of which such
18 officeholder or candidate is a member.

19 (2) (a) As used in this subsection, the term "department
20 officials" refers to the following positions within the
21 department:

- 22 1. A member of the Gaming Control Board.
- 23 2. The chief of staff.
- 24 3. The general counsel.
- 25 4. A division director, deputy director, chief of auditing,
26 chief of operations, chief of investigations, chief of slot
27 operations, revenue program administrator, licensing
28 administrator, administrator of the state compliance agency, or
29 regional program administrator.

30 (b) Department officials are prohibited from:

- 31 1. Holding, or being a candidate for, public office or
32 taking an active part in a political campaign while employed by
33 the department.
- 34 2. Holding other employment, including receiving
35 compensation or other remuneration for speaking at or attending
36 an event associated with the gaming or pari-mutuel industry.
- 37 3. Accepting employment from or entering into a contractual
38 relationship with an entity of the gaming or pari-mutuel
39 industry for 4 years after termination of his or her employment
40 with the department.



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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 86

and insert:

Department of Gaming Control; creating s. 551.015,
F.S.; prohibiting applicants and permitholders of
pari-mutuel permits from contributing to certain
campaign accounts and political committees; defining
the term "department officials"; prohibiting specified
conduct or employment by department officials;
creating s. 551.018,