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At a Special Session of the Florida Legislature convened under Article III, Section 3(c), of the Constitution of the State, as revised in 1968, and subsequently amended, at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, on Monday, May 17, 2021, in the State of Florida.

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CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by President Simpson at 1:00 p.m. A quorum present—38:

Mr. President	Cruz	Pizzo
Albritton	Diaz	Polsky
Ausley	Farmer	Powell
Baxley	Gainer	Rodriguez
Bean	Garcia	Rodriguez
Berman	Gibson	Rouson
Book	Harrell	Stargel
Boyd	Hooper	Stewart
Bradley	Hutson	Taddeo
Brandes	Jones	Thurston
Brodeur	Mayfield	Torres
Broxson	Passidomo	Wright
Burgess	Perry	

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by The Reverend Abigail Moon, St. John's Episcopal Church, Tallahassee:

O Lord, our governor, bless the leaders of our land that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the Earth. To Senators and those who make our laws in states, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations.

Teach our people to rely on your strength, to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, and to make wise decisions for the well-being of our society—that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy name. Give us the strength to live as your children and be makers of peace and unity. Grant that all peoples might put aside their differences and seek the unity of your kingdom. We pray this prayer to you. Amen.

PLEDGE

Senator Garcia led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

By direction of the President, the Secretary read the following proclamation:

THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE JOINT PROCLAMATION

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA SENATE AND THE FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

We, Wilton Simpson, President of the Florida Senate, and Chris Sprowls, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, by virtue of the authority vested in us by Article III, Section 3(c), Florida Constitution, and Section 11.011, Florida Statutes, do hereby proclaim:

1. That the Legislature of the State of Florida is convened in Special Session pursuant to Article III, Section 3(c), Florida Constitution, and Section 11.011, Florida Statutes, at the Capitol in Tallahassee, Florida, beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, May 17, 2021, for a period of 5 days, ending at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, May 21, 2021.

2. That the Legislature is convened for the sole and exclusive purpose of considering legislation that does the following:

- Ratifying the 2021 Gaming Compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of Florida, executed on April 23, 2021, and establishing procedures for and authorization to implement the activities authorized in the Compact;
- Creating and establishing the operations of and standards for a gaming commission with regulatory and law enforcement powers related to legal and illegal gaming, and any changes to statutes or appropriations necessary to effectuate such legislation, including necessary public records and meetings exemptions;
- Licensing and regulating certain games and operations consistent with Section B of Part XII of the 2021 Gaming Compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of Florida at locations authorized under current law;
- Authorizing taxes and fees for certain games and operations and for operators and licensees of such games and operations consistent with Subsections 8 and 9 of Section B of Part XII of the 2021 Gaming Compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of Florida;
- Revising requirements for pari-mutuel permitholders to conduct live racing or games;
- Prohibiting wagering and racing of greyhounds and other dogs in the state and imposing associated civil and criminal penalties;
- Prohibiting the issuance of new pari-mutuel permits and eliminating certain inactive permits;
- Providing effective dates that are contingent on certain approvals and agreements.

3. That the committees and subcommittees of either house of the Legislature are authorized to consider legislation within the purview of this proclamation from this date forward.



Wilton Simpson
President
The Florida Senate
May 5, 2021



Chris Sprowls
Speaker
The Florida House
of Representatives
May 5, 2021



Duly filed with and received by the Florida Department of State in Tallahassee this 5th day of May, 2021.

Laurel M. Lee
Secretary of State

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

By Senator Hutson—

SB 2-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the implementation of the 2021 gaming compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of Florida; amending s. 285.710, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “compact”; providing for legislative approval and ratification of a gaming compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the state; requiring the Governor to cooperate with the Tribe in seeking approval and ratification of such compact from the United States Secretary of the Interior; specifying that such compact supersedes a certain other gaming compact under certain circumstances; revising local government share distributions; authorizing the Tribe to conduct additional games, contests, and sports betting; providing age requirements for wagering on fantasy sports contests and sports betting; specifying that certain games and gaming activities do not violate the laws of this state; conforming cross-references; amending s. 285.712, F.S.; revising requirements for the Secretary of State relating to a compact; amending s. 551.102, F.S.; defining the term “independent testing laboratory”; amending s. 551.103, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; providing conditions, requirements, and prohibitions relating to poker games played in a designated player manner; prohibiting a person licensed to operate a cardroom from operating certain games; providing contingent effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 4-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gaming enforcement; amending s. 16.56, F.S.; expanding the authority of the Office of Statewide Prosecution within the Department of Legal Affairs to investigate and prosecute certain crimes referred by the Florida Gaming Control Commission; creating s. 16.71, F.S.; creating the Florida Gaming Control Commission within the Office of the Attorney General; providing for membership of the commission; authorizing the Governor to remove or suspend members of the commission under certain circumstances; providing requirements and prohibitions relating to appointments; requiring the commission to appoint an executive director; providing requirements and duties for the executive director; requiring the chair of the commission to appoint an inspector general; creating s. 16.711, F.S.; creating the Division of Gaming Enforcement within the commission; specifying that the division shall be considered a criminal

justice agency; requiring the commissioners to appoint a director of the division; providing requirements, powers, and duties of the director and investigators; authorizing the division and its investigators to seize and store certain contraband; defining the term “contraband”; providing construction; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to provide certain assistance at the request of the division; requiring the commission to reimburse agencies for the actual cost of providing assistance; creating s. 16.712, F.S.; providing duties and responsibilities of the commission; authorizing the commission to take specified actions; requiring the commission to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature; providing construction; creating s. 16.713, F.S.; specifying that certain persons are ineligible for appointment to or employment with the commission; providing prohibitions for commissioners and employees of the commission; defining the term “relative”; requiring commissioners and employees to provide notice relating to certain crimes; creating s. 16.714, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to perform specified background screenings upon the request of the division; requiring the commission to reimburse the department; requiring the division to conduct certain investigations; creating s. 16.715, F.S.; providing construction; providing standards of conduct for commissioners and employees of the commission; requiring commissioners and employees of the commission to complete specified annual training; requiring the Commission on Ethics to accept and investigate any alleged violations of the standards of conduct for commissioners and employees; providing requirements relating to such investigations; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature; authorizing a commissioner or an employee of the Florida Gaming Control Commission to request an advisory opinion from the Commission on Ethics; prohibiting certain persons from placing wagers in a facility licensed by the Florida Gaming Control Commission or by an Indian tribe that has a valid and active compact with the state; providing prohibitions for former commissioners and former employees of the commission; providing civil penalties; defining the term “ex parte communication”; providing prohibitions and requirements relating to ex parte communications; providing civil penalties; amending s. 20.055, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 285.710, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “state compliance agency”; designating the commission as the state compliance agency having authority to carry out certain responsibilities; transferring to the commission by a type two transfer all powers, duties, functions, records, offices, personnel, associated administrative support positions, property, pending issues, existing contracts, administrative authority, administrative rules, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation related to certain responsibilities, effective on a specified date; transferring the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund to the commission, effective on a specified date; amending s. 932.701, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “contraband article”; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an appropriation; requiring the department to provide administrative support for the commission during a specified fiscal year; requiring the department, in coordination with the Department of Legal Affairs and the Department of Management Services, to establish a working group for a specified purpose; providing requirements for such working group; providing construction; providing contingent effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 6-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; creating s. 16.716, F.S.; specifying that any exempt or confidential and exempt information obtained by the Florida Gaming Control Commission retains its exempt or confidential and exempt status; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of meetings of the commission wherein exempt or confidential and exempt information is discussed, provided certain requirements are met; providing an exemption from public records requirements for recordings, minutes, and records generated during such exempt portions of meetings; providing for the future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 8-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gaming; amending s. 550.002, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 550.0115, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.01215, F.S.; revising the application requirements for an operating license to conduct pari-mutuel wagering for a pari-mutuel facility; prohibiting greyhound permitholders from conducting live racing; authorizing jai alai permitholders, harness horse racing permitholders, and quarter horse racing permitholders to elect not to conduct live racing or games; requiring thoroughbred permitholders to conduct live racing; specifying that certain permitholders that do not conduct live racing or games retain their permit and remain pari-mutuel facilities; specifying that, if such permitholder has been issued a slot machine license, the permitholder's facility remains an eligible facility, continues to be eligible for a slot machine license, is exempt from certain provisions of ch. 551, F.S., is eligible to be a guest track, and, if the permitholder is a harness horse racing permitholder, is eligible to be a host track for intertrack wagering and simulcasting and remains eligible for a cardroom license; prohibiting a permitholder or licensee from conducting live greyhound racing or dogracing in connection with any wager for money or any other thing of value in the state; providing administrative and civil penalties; providing requirements for the funds generated from such penalties; prohibiting operating licenses from being issued to a pari-mutuel permitholder unless a specified requirement is met; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering to approve a change in racing dates for certain permitholders if the request for a change is received before a specified date and under certain circumstances for a specified fiscal year; deleting a provision authorizing the conversion of certain permits to a jai alai permit under certain circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.0235, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.0351, F.S.; deleting a provision relating to hound dog derbies and mutt derbies; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.0425, F.S.; deleting a provision authorizing certain minors to be granted access to kennel compound areas under certain circumstances; amending s. 550.054, F.S.; requiring the division to revoke the permit of certain permitholders; specifying such revoked permit is void and may not be reissued; revising requirements to hold a permit for the operation of a pari-mutuel facility and an associated cardroom or slot machine facility; specifying certain permits held on a specified date are deemed valid for specified purposes; prohibiting new permits for the conduct of pari-mutuel wagering from being issued after a specified date; prohibiting a permit to conduct pari-mutuel wagering from being converted to another class of permit; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.0745, F.S.; authorizing summer jai alai permitholders to conduct pari-mutuel wagering throughout the year; deleting provisions relating to the conversion of a pari-mutuel permit to a summer jai alai permit; amending s. 550.09511, F.S.; deleting a provision relating to the payment of certain taxes and fees by jai alai permitholders conducting fewer than a specified number of live performances; amending s. 550.09512, F.S.; revising the circumstances for which a harness horse permitholder's permit is voided for failing to pay certain taxes; prohibiting the reissue of such permit; amending ss. 550.105, 550.1155, and 550.1647, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 550.1648, F.S., relating to greyhound adoptions; amending ss. 550.175, 550.1815, and 550.24055, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.2415, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the testing, euthanasia, training, and medication levels of racing greyhounds; amending s. 550.334, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.3345, F.S.; requiring that net revenues derived from specified licenses issued to not-for-profit corporations be dedicated to certain purposes; prohibiting the transfer of such licenses; providing construction; amending s. 550.3551, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.3615, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; prohibiting a person convicted of bookmaking from attending or being admitted to a pari-mutuel facility; requiring pari-mutuel facility employees to notify certain persons of unlawful activities; providing civil penalties; requiring a permittee to display certain warnings relating to bookmaking at his or her pari-mutuel facility; revising applicability; creating s. 550.3616, F.S.; prohibiting persons authorized to conduct gaming or pari-mutuel operations in this state from racing greyhounds or other dogs in connection with any wager for money or thing of value; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting the suspension, deferment, or withholding of adjudication of guilt of certain persons; amending s.

550.475, F.S.; revising provisions relating to leasing pari-mutuel facilities; amending s. 550.5251, F.S.; deleting a prohibition against thoroughbred racing permitholders beginning races after a specified time; deleting provisions relating to the operation of cardrooms by thoroughbred racing permitholders after a specified time and receiving and rebroadcasting out-of-state races after a specified time under certain circumstances; amending s. 550.615, F.S.; revising requirements relating to intertrack wagering; specifying that greyhound permitholders are qualified to receive certain broadcasts and accept specified wagers; amending s. 550.6305, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.6308, F.S.; revising requirements for a limited intertrack wagering license; revising requirements for intertrack wagering; deleting requirements for limited intertrack wagering licensees to make specified payments; amending s. 551.104, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 551.114, F.S.; revising requirements for the location of designated slot machine gaming areas; amending s. 551.116, F.S.; authorizing slot machine gaming areas to be open 24 hours per day throughout the year; amending s. 551.121, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting complimentary or reduced-cost alcoholic beverages to be served to a person playing a slot machine; amending s. 565.02, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; prohibiting a cardroom license from being issued to certain permitholders; revising requirements for a cardroom license to be issued to certain permitholders; authorizing cardrooms to be open 24 hours per day; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 849.14, F.S.; revising criminal penalties relating to certain bets; creating s. 849.142, F.S.; specifying that certain activities are not subject to certain gambling-related prohibitions; creating s. 849.251, F.S.; prohibiting persons from wagering or accepting anything of value on certain dograces; prohibiting persons from taking certain actions related to people associated with or interested in dogracing; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting the suspension, deferment, or withholding of adjudication of guilt of certain persons; providing applicability; reenacting ss. 380.0651(2)(c), 402.82(4)(c), and 480.0475(1), F.S., relating to statewide guidelines, the electronic benefits transfer program, and massage establishments, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 550.002, F.S., in references thereto; providing severability; providing contingent effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 10-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bingo; amending s. 550.01215, F.S.; requiring applicants for an operating license to include dates the applicant intends to conduct bingo games or instant bingo; amending s. 550.0251, F.S.; specifying that the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering has specific powers and duties relating to bingo games and instant bingo; amending s. 550.054, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 849.089, F.S.; providing legislative intent; defining terms; specifying that it is not a crime for a person to participate in bingo games or instant bingo under certain circumstances; capping the number of electronic bingo card minders that may be in operation; providing authorizations and requirements for the division relating to bingo games and instant bingo; authorizing the division to adopt rules; requiring a person to have a bingo license to conduct bingo games or instant bingo at a pari-mutuel facility in this state; providing requirements and prohibitions relating to such license; requiring certain persons and bingo management companies to hold specified bingo occupational licenses; providing requirements and prohibitions relating to such licenses; requiring the division to adopt rules; authorizing the division to deny, declare a person ineligible for, or revoke bingo occupational licenses under certain circumstances; providing fingerprinting requirements for bingo occupational licenses; providing requirements for conducting bingo games; authorizing bingo operators to charge fees for players participating in bingo games; requiring that notice of such fees be posted in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises at all times; providing recordkeeping and reporting requirements for licensees conducting bingo games; prohibiting persons from operating or permitting the operation of certain devices; prohibiting persons under a specified age from holding specified bingo licenses or participating in certain bingo games or instant bingo; authorizing a bingo operator to refuse entry to certain persons or refuse to allow certain persons to play bingo under certain circumstances; requiring bingo operators to make specified contributions to nonprofit organiza-

tions of certain proceeds from bingo games and instant bingo; requiring bingo operators to report such contributions to the division; prohibiting a municipality, county, or other political subdivision from assessing or collecting certain taxes relating to bingo games and instant bingo; authorizing the division to suspend, revoke, or deny licenses or license renewals under certain circumstances; authorizing the division to suspend or revoke a pari-mutuel permit or license under certain circumstances; authorizing the division to impose administrative fines; providing criminal penalties; authorizing certain entities to apply for a temporary or permanent injunction under certain circumstances; amending s. 849.0931, F.S.; prohibiting the use of certain devices relating to bingo; authorizing hand-held or table-top bingo card minders to be used if certain requirements are met; creating s. 849.143, F.S.; specifying that certain activities relating to bingo games and instant bingo are not subject to certain gambling-related prohibitions; amending SB 4A to include the regulation of bingo games and instant bingo at licensed pari-mutuel facilities in a type two transfer occurring on a certain date; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 12-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxes; amending s. 849.089, F.S.; revising legislative intent; revising the definition of the term “net proceeds”; requiring bingo operators to pay a specified tax relating to monthly gross receipts; providing requirements for the tax payments; requiring bingo operators to file monthly reports containing specified information; providing civil and administrative penalties for failing to make the required tax payments; providing requirements for certain funds deposited into the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 14-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 849.089, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “net proceeds”; revising the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering’s authorizations relating to bingo games and instant bingo to include authorizations relating to fees; establishing an annual fee for a bingo license; setting limits on the amount that may be charged for bingo employee occupational license fees and bingo business occupational license fees; requiring such fees to be deposited into the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 16-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act; creating s. 546.11, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 546.12, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; creating s. 546.13, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 546.14, F.S.; providing for the enforcement and administration of the Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to take certain actions; authorizing the division to adopt rules; creating s. 546.15, F.S.; providing application requirements for fantasy sports contest operator licenses; providing that specified persons or entities are not eligible for licensure under certain circumstances; defining the term “convicted”; specifying that a contest operator license is automatically suspended under certain circumstances; providing an exception; creating s. 546.16, F.S.; requiring a contest operator to implement specified consumer protection procedures under certain circumstances; defining the term “relative”; requiring a contest operator to annually contract with a third party to perform an independent audit; requiring a contest operator to submit the audit results to the division within a certain timeframe; requiring a contest operator to use only specified statistics, results, outcomes, and other data relating to a professional sporting event; creating s. 546.17, F.S.; requiring contest operators to keep and maintain certain records for a specified period; providing a requirement for such records; requiring that such records be available for audit and inspection; requiring the division to adopt rules; creating

s. 546.18, F.S.; providing a civil penalty; providing applicability; exempting fantasy contests from certain provisions in ch. 849, F.S.; amending s. 16.71, F.S.; prohibiting the Governor from soliciting or requesting certain information from a person with a license to conduct fantasy sports contests; amending s. 16.712, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 16.713, F.S.; revising prohibitions relating to appointment to and employment with the division to include prohibitions relating to fantasy sports contest licenses; amending s. 16.715, F.S.; revising prohibitions relating to former commissioners and employees of the commission to include prohibitions relating to fantasy sports contest licenses; creating s. 849.144, F.S.; specifying that certain activities relating to fantasy sports contests are not subject to certain gambling-related prohibitions; amending SB 4A to include the regulation of fantasy sports contests in a type two transfer occurring on a certain date; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 18-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; creating s. 546.151, F.S.; requiring applicants for a fantasy contest operator license to pay a specified application fee; requiring contest operators to pay a specified annual license renewal fee; prohibiting such fees from exceeding a specified amount; requiring applicants and contest operators to provide certain written evidence; requiring contest operators to remit certain fees; specifying that the costs for certain fingerprint processing and retention shall be borne by applicants; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to charge a specified handling fee related to fingerprint processing; requiring certain fees to be deposited into the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senator Hutson—

CS for SB 2-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the implementation of the 2021 gaming compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of Florida; amending s. 285.710, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “compact”; providing for legislative approval and ratification of a gaming compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the state; requiring the Governor to cooperate with the Tribe in seeking approval and ratification of such compact from the United States Secretary of the Interior; specifying that such compact supersedes a certain other gaming compact under certain circumstances; revising local government share distributions; authorizing the Tribe to conduct additional games, contests, and sports betting; providing age requirements for fantasy sports contests and sports betting; specifying that certain games and gaming activities do not violate the laws of this state; conforming cross-references; amending s. 285.712, F.S.; revising requirements for the Secretary of State relating to a compact; amending s. 551.102, F.S.; defining the term “independent testing laboratory”; amending s. 551.103, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; providing conditions, requirements, and prohibitions relating to poker games played in a designated player manner; prohibiting a person licensed to operate a cardroom from operating certain games; providing contingent effective dates.

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pointments; requiring the commission to appoint an executive director; providing requirements and duties for the executive director; requiring the chair of the commission to appoint an inspector general; creating s. 16.711, F.S.; creating the Division of Gaming Enforcement within the commission; specifying that the division shall be considered a criminal justice agency; requiring the commissioners to appoint a director of the division; providing requirements, powers, and duties of the director and investigators; authorizing the division and its investigators to seize and store certain contraband; defining the term “contraband”; providing construction; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to provide certain assistance at the request of the division; requiring the commission to reimburse agencies for the actual cost of providing assistance; creating s. 16.712, F.S.; providing duties and responsibilities of the commission; authorizing the commission to take specified actions; requiring the commission to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature; providing construction; creating s. 16.713, F.S.; specifying that certain persons are ineligible for appointment to or employment with the commission; providing prohibitions for commissioners and employees of the commission; defining the term “relative”; requiring commissioners and employees to provide notice relating to certain crimes; creating s. 16.714, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to perform specified background screenings upon the request of the division; requiring the commission to reimburse the department; requiring the division to conduct certain investigations; creating s. 16.715, F.S.; providing construction; providing standards of conduct for commissioners and employees of the commission; requiring commissioners and employees of the commission to complete specified annual training; requiring the Commission on Ethics to accept and investigate any alleged violations of the standards of conduct for commissioners and employees; providing requirements relating to such investigations; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature; authorizing a commissioner or an employee of the Florida Gaming Control Commission to request an advisory opinion from the Commission on Ethics; prohibiting certain persons from placing wagers in a facility licensed by the Florida Gaming Control Commission or by an Indian tribe that has a valid and active compact with the state; providing prohibitions for former commissioners and former employees of the commission; providing civil penalties; defining the term “ex parte communication”; providing prohibitions and requirements relating to ex parte communications; providing civil penalties; amending s. 20.055, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 285.710, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “state compliance agency”; designating the commission as the state compliance agency having authority to carry out certain responsibilities; transferring to the commission by a type two transfer all powers, duties, functions, records, offices, personnel, associated administrative support positions, property, pending issues, existing contracts, administrative authority, administrative rules, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation related to certain responsibilities, effective on a specified date; transferring the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund to the commission, effective on a specified date; amending s. 932.701, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “contraband article”; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an appropriation; requiring the department to provide administrative support for the commission during a specified fiscal year; requiring the department, in coordination with the Department of Legal Affairs and the Department of Management Services, to establish a working group for a specified purpose; providing requirements for such working group; providing construction; providing contingent effective dates.

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slot machine license, the permitholder’s facility remains an eligible facility, continues to be eligible for a slot machine license, is exempt from certain provisions of ch. 551, F.S., is eligible to be a guest track, and, if the permitholder is a harness horse racing permitholder, is eligible to be a host track for intertrack wagering and simulcasting and remains eligible for a cardroom license; prohibiting a permitholder or licensee from conducting live greyhound racing or dogracing in connection with any wager for money or any other thing of value in the state; providing administrative and civil penalties; providing requirements for the funds generated from such penalties; prohibiting operating licenses from being issued to a pari-mutuel permitholder unless a specified requirement is met; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering to approve a change in racing dates for certain permitholders if the request for a change is received before a specified date and under certain circumstances for a specified fiscal year; deleting a provision authorizing the conversion of certain permits to a jai alai permit under certain circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.0235, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.0351, F.S.; deleting a provision relating to hound dog derbies and mutt derbies; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.0425, F.S.; deleting a provision authorizing certain minors to be granted access to kennel compound areas under certain circumstances; amending s. 550.054, F.S.; requiring the division to revoke the permit of certain permitholders; specifying such revoked permit is void and may not be reissued; revising requirements to hold a permit for the operation of a pari-mutuel facility and an associated cardroom or slot machine facility; specifying certain permits held on a specified date are deemed valid for specified purposes; prohibiting new permits for the conduct of pari-mutuel wagering from being issued after a specified date; prohibiting a permit to conduct pari-mutuel wagering from being converted to another class of permit; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.0745, F.S.; authorizing summer jai alai permitholders to conduct pari-mutuel wagering throughout the year; deleting provisions relating to the conversion of a pari-mutuel permit to a summer jai alai permit; amending s. 550.09511, F.S.; deleting a provision relating to the payment of certain taxes and fees by jai alai permitholders conducting fewer than a specified number of live performances; amending s. 550.09512, F.S.; revising the circumstances for which a harness horse permitholder’s permit is voided for failing to pay certain taxes; prohibiting the reissue of such permit; amending ss. 550.105, 550.1155, and 550.1647, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 550.1648, F.S., relating to greyhound adoptions; amending ss. 550.175, 550.1815, and 550.24055, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.2415, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the testing, euthanasia, training, and medication levels of racing greyhounds; amending s. 550.334, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.3345, F.S.; requiring that net revenues derived from specified licenses issued to not-for-profit corporations be dedicated to certain purposes; prohibiting the transfer of such licenses; providing construction; amending s. 550.3551, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.3615, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; prohibiting a person convicted of bookmaking from attending or being admitted to a pari-mutuel facility; requiring pari-mutuel facility employees to notify certain persons of unlawful activities; providing civil penalties; requiring a permittee to display certain warnings relating to bookmaking at his or her pari-mutuel facility; revising applicability; creating s. 550.3616, F.S.; prohibiting persons authorized to conduct gaming or pari-mutuel operations in this state from racing greyhounds or other dogs in connection with any wager for money or thing of value; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting the suspension, deferment, or withholding of adjudication of guilt of certain persons; amending s. 550.475, F.S.; revising provisions relating to leasing pari-mutuel facilities; amending s. 550.5251, F.S.; deleting a prohibition against thoroughbred racing permitholders beginning races after a specified time; deleting provisions relating to the operation of cardrooms by thoroughbred racing permitholders after a specified time and receiving and rebroadcasting out-of-state races after a specified time under certain circumstances; amending s. 550.615, F.S.; revising requirements relating to intertrack wagering; specifying that greyhound permitholders are qualified to receive certain broadcasts and accept specified wagers; amending s. 550.6305, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 550.6308, F.S.; revising requirements for a limited intertrack wagering license; revising requirements for intertrack wagering; deleting requirements for limited intertrack wagering licensees to make specified payments; amending s. 551.104, F.S.; conforming

provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 551.114, F.S.; revising requirements for the location of designated slot machine gaming areas; amending s. 551.116, F.S.; authorizing slot machine gaming areas to be open 24 hours per day throughout the year; amending s. 551.121, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting complimentary or reduced-cost alcoholic beverages to be served to a person playing a slot machine; amending s. 565.02, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; prohibiting a cardroom license from being issued to certain permitholders; revising requirements for a cardroom license to be issued to certain permitholders; authorizing cardrooms to be open 24 hours per day; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 849.14, F.S.; revising criminal penalties relating to certain bets; creating s. 849.142, F.S.; specifying that certain activities are not subject to certain gambling-related prohibitions; creating s. 849.251, F.S.; prohibiting persons from wagering or accepting anything of value on certain dograces; prohibiting persons from taking certain actions related to people associated with or interested in dogracing; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting the suspension, deferment, or withholding of adjudication of guilt of certain persons; providing applicability; reenacting ss. 380.0651(2)(c), 402.82(4)(c), and 480.0475(1), F.S., relating to statewide guidelines, the electronic benefits transfer program, and massage establishments, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 550.002, F.S., in references thereto; providing severability; providing contingent effective dates.

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senator Hutson—

CS for SB 16-A—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act; creating s. 546.11, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 546.12, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; creating s. 546.13, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 546.14, F.S.; providing for the enforcement and administration of the Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to take certain actions; requiring the division to revoke a contest operator's license under certain circumstances; authorizing the division to adopt rules; creating s. 546.15, F.S.; providing application requirements for fantasy sports contest operator licenses; providing that specified persons or entities are not eligible for licensure under certain circumstances; defining the term "convicted"; specifying that a contest operator license is automatically suspended under certain circumstances; providing an exception; creating s. 546.16, F.S.; requiring a contest operator to implement specified consumer protection procedures under certain circumstances; defining the term "relative"; requiring a contest operator to annually contract with a third party to perform an independent audit; requiring a contest operator to submit the audit results to the division within a certain timeframe; requiring a contest operator to use data sources that meet specified requirements; creating s. 546.17, F.S.; requiring contest operators to keep and maintain certain records for a specified period; providing a requirement for such records; requiring that such records be available for audit and inspection; requiring the division to adopt rules; creating s. 546.18, F.S.; providing a civil penalty; providing applicability; exempting fantasy contests from certain provisions in ch. 849, F.S.; amending s. 16.71, F.S.; prohibiting the Governor from soliciting or requesting certain information from a person with a license to conduct fantasy sports contests; amending s. 16.712, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 16.713, F.S.; revising prohibitions relating to appointment to and employment with the division to include prohibitions relating to fantasy sports contest licenses; amending s. 16.715, F.S.; revising prohibitions relating to former commissioners and employees of the commission to include prohibitions relating to fantasy sports contest licenses; creating s. 849.144, F.S.; specifying that certain activities relating to fantasy sports contests are not subject to certain gambling-related prohibitions; amending SB 4A to include the regulation of fantasy sports contests in a type two transfer occurring on a certain date; providing a contingent effective date.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

At the request of Senator Berman, the Senate observed a moment of silence in honor of the people who have perished in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

MOTIONS

On motion by Senator Passidomo, the rules were waived and a deadline for filing amendments for all bills on tomorrow's Special Order Calendar was set for 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Appropriations recommends the following pass: SB 6-A; SB 18-A

The bills were placed on the Calendar.

The Committee on Appropriations recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 2-A; SB 4-A; SB 8-A; SB 16-A

The bills with committee substitute attached were placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE

(As released December 3, 2020)

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Senator Wright, Chair; Senator Harrell, Vice Chair; Senators Burgess, Cruz, Gibson, Rodriguez, and Torres

Reapportionment

(Membership to be considered for appointment at a later date)

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Select Committees:

(As revised December 7, 2020)

Select Committee on Pandemic Preparedness and Response

Senator Burgess, Chair; Senator Bracy, Vice Chair; Senators Ausley, Book, Bradley, Brandes, Brodeur, Harrell, Perry, and Pizzo

Joint Legislative Committees:**Joint Administrative Procedures Committee**

Senator Albritton, Alternating Chair; Senators Ausley, Brodeur, Burgess, and Jones

Joint Committee on Public Counsel Oversight

Senator Powell, Alternating Chair; Senators Broxson, Hooper, Pizzo, and Rodrigues

Joint Legislative Auditing Committee

Senator Baxley, Alternating Chair; Senators Boyd, Bradley, Cruz, and Torres

Joint Select Committee on Collective Bargaining

Senator Rodrigues, Alternating Chair; Senators Bradley, Gruters, Stewart, and Torres

Other Legislative Entity:**Joint Legislative Budget Commission**

Senator Stargel, Alternating Chair; Senators Bean, Book, Gibson, Mayfield, Passidomo, and Stewart

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Senator Passidomo, the Senate adjourned at 1:24 p.m. for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business to reconvene at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 18 or upon call of the President.