95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/14/2008, by Sen. Dale A. Righter

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

230 ILCS 10/13

from Ch. 120, par. 2413

Amends the Riverboat Gambling Act. Provides that, subject to appropriation, 2% of the adjusted gross receipts from specified gambling operations shall be paid from the State Gaming Fund and shall be divided equally among the following public universities: Chicago State University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State University, Northeastern Illinois University, Illinois State University, Northern Illinois University, Southern Illinois University, the University of Illinois, and Western Illinois University (was, paid to Chicago State University). Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning gaming.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Riverboat Gambling Act is amended by 5 changing Section 13 as follows:

6 (230 ILCS 10/13) (from Ch. 120, par. 2413)

7 Sec. 13. Wagering tax; rate; distribution.

8 (a) Until January 1, 1998, a tax is imposed on the adjusted 9 gross receipts received from gambling games authorized under 10 this Act at the rate of 20%.

(a-1) From January 1, 1998 until July 1, 2002, a privilege tax is imposed on persons engaged in the business of conducting riverboat gambling operations, based on the adjusted gross receipts received by a licensed owner from gambling games authorized under this Act at the following rates:

16 15% of annual adjusted gross receipts up to and 17 including \$25,000,000;

18 20% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 19 \$25,000,000 but not exceeding \$50,000,000;

20 25% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 21 \$50,000,000 but not exceeding \$75,000,000;

30% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of
\$75,000,000 but not exceeding \$100,000,000;

35% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of
 \$100,000,000.

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3 (a-2) From July 1, 2002 until July 1, 2003, a privilege tax 4 is imposed on persons engaged in the business of conducting 5 riverboat gambling operations, other than licensed managers 6 conducting riverboat gambling operations on behalf of the 7 State, based on the adjusted gross receipts received by a 8 licensed owner from gambling games authorized under this Act at 9 the following rates:

10 15% of annual adjusted gross receipts up to and 11 including \$25,000,000;

12 22.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 13 \$25,000,000 but not exceeding \$50,000,000;

14 27.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 15 \$50,000,000 but not exceeding \$75,000,000;

16 32.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 17 \$75,000,000 but not exceeding \$100,000,000;

18 37.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 19 \$100,000,000 but not exceeding \$150,000,000;

20 45% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 21 \$150,000,000 but not exceeding \$200,000,000;

22 50% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 23 \$200,000,000.

(a-3) Beginning July 1, 2003, a privilege tax is imposed on
 persons engaged in the business of conducting riverboat
 gambling operations, other than licensed managers conducting

1 riverboat gambling operations on behalf of the State, based on 2 the adjusted gross receipts received by a licensed owner from 3 gambling games authorized under this Act at the following 4 rates:

5 15% of annual adjusted gross receipts up to and 6 including \$25,000,000;

7 27.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 8 \$25,000,000 but not exceeding \$37,500,000;

9 32.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of
10 \$37,500,000 but not exceeding \$50,000,000;

11 37.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 12 \$50,000,000 but not exceeding \$75,000,000;

13 45% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 14 \$75,000,000 but not exceeding \$100,000,000;

15 50% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 16 \$100,000,000 but not exceeding \$250,000,000;

17 70% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of18 \$250,000,000.

An amount equal to the amount of wagering taxes collected under this subsection (a-3) that are in addition to the amount of wagering taxes that would have been collected if the wagering tax rates under subsection (a-2) were in effect shall be paid into the Common School Fund.

The privilege tax imposed under this subsection (a-3) shall no longer be imposed beginning on the earlier of (i) July 1, 26 2005; (ii) the first date after June 20, 2003 that riverboat

gambling operations are conducted pursuant to a dormant 1 2 license; or (iii) the first day that riverboat gambling operations are conducted under the authority of an owners 3 license that is in addition to the 10 owners licenses initially 4 5 authorized under this Act. For the purposes of this subsection 6 (a-3), the term "dormant license" means an owners license that is authorized by this Act under which no riverboat gambling 7 8 operations are being conducted on June 20, 2003.

9 (a-4) Beginning on the first day on which the tax imposed 10 under subsection (a-3) is no longer imposed, a privilege tax is 11 imposed on persons engaged in the business of conducting 12 riverboat gambling operations, other than licensed managers 13 conducting riverboat gambling operations on behalf of the State, based on the adjusted gross receipts received by a 14 15 licensed owner from gambling games authorized under this Act at 16 the following rates:

17 15% of annual adjusted gross receipts up to and 18 including \$25,000,000;

19 22.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 20 \$25,000,000 but not exceeding \$50,000,000;

27.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of
\$50,000,000 but not exceeding \$75,000,000;

32.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of
\$75,000,000 but not exceeding \$100,000,000;

37.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of
\$100,000,000 but not exceeding \$150,000,000;

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45% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of
 \$150,000,000 but not exceeding \$200,000,000;

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3 50% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of 4 \$200,000,000.

5 (a-8) Riverboat gambling operations conducted by a 6 licensed manager on behalf of the State are not subject to the 7 tax imposed under this Section.

8 (a-10) The taxes imposed by this Section shall be paid by 9 the licensed owner to the Board not later than 3:00 o'clock 10 p.m. of the day after the day when the wagers were made.

11 (a-15) If the privilege tax imposed under subsection (a-3) 12 is no longer imposed pursuant to item (i) of the last paragraph of subsection (a-3), then by June 15 of each year, each owners 13 14 licensee, other than an owners licensee that admitted 1,000,000 persons or fewer in calendar year 2004, must, in addition to 15 16 the payment of all amounts otherwise due under this Section, 17 pay to the Board a reconciliation payment in the amount, if any, by which the licensed owner's base amount exceeds the 18 19 amount of net privilege tax paid by the licensed owner to the 20 Board in the then current State fiscal year. A licensed owner's 21 net privilege tax obligation due for the balance of the State 22 fiscal year shall be reduced up to the total of the amount paid 23 by the licensed owner in its June 15 reconciliation payment. The obligation imposed by this subsection (a-15) is binding on 24 25 any person, firm, corporation, or other entity that acquires an 26 ownership interest in any such owners license. The obligation

imposed under this subsection (a-15) terminates on the earliest 1 2 of: (i) July 1, 2007, (ii) the first day after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly that 3 riverboat gambling operations are conducted pursuant to a 4 5 dormant license, (iii) the first day that riverboat gambling operations are conducted under the authority of an owners 6 7 license that is in addition to the 10 owners licenses initially 8 authorized under this Act, or (iv) the first day that a 9 licensee under the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 conducts 10 gaming operations with slot machines or other electronic gaming 11 devices. The Board must reduce the obligation imposed under 12 this subsection (a-15) by an amount the Board deems reasonable 13 for any of the following reasons: (A) an act or acts of God, (B) an act of bioterrorism or terrorism or a bioterrorism or 14 15 terrorism threat that was investigated by a law enforcement 16 agency, or (C) a condition beyond the control of the owners 17 licensee that does not result from any act or omission by the owners licensee or any of its agents and that poses a hazardous 18 19 threat to the health and safety of patrons. If an owners 20 licensee pays an amount in excess of its liability under this Section, the Board shall apply the overpayment to future 21 22 payments required under this Section.

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For purposes of this subsection (a-15):

24 "Act of God" means an incident caused by the operation of 25 an extraordinary force that cannot be foreseen, that cannot be 26 avoided by the exercise of due care, and for which no person - 7 - LRB095 19630 AMC 45970 b

1 can be held liable.

2	"Base amount" means the following:
3	For a riverboat in Alton, \$31,000,000.
4	For a riverboat in East Peoria, \$43,000,000.
5	For the Empress riverboat in Joliet, \$86,000,000.
6	For a riverboat in Metropolis, \$45,000,000.
7	For the Harrah's riverboat in Joliet, \$114,000,000.
8	For a riverboat in Aurora, \$86,000,000.
9	For a riverboat in East St. Louis, \$48,500,000.
10	For a riverboat in Elgin, \$198,000,000.
11	"Dormant license" has the meaning ascribed to it in
12	subsection (a-3).
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"Net privilege tax" means all privilege taxes paid by a licensed owner to the Board under this Section, less all payments made from the State Gaming Fund pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section.

The changes made to this subsection (a-15) by Public Act 94-839 are intended to restate and clarify the intent of Public Act 94-673 with respect to the amount of the payments required to be made under this subsection by an owners licensee to the Board.

(b) Until January 1, 1998, 25% of the tax revenue deposited in the State Gaming Fund under this Section shall be paid, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly, to the unit of local government which is designated as the home dock of the riverboat. Beginning January 1, 1998, from the tax revenue

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deposited in the State Gaming Fund under this Section, an 1 2 amount equal to 5% of adjusted gross receipts generated by a riverboat shall be paid monthly, subject to appropriation by 3 the General Assembly, to the unit of local government that is 4 5 designated as the home dock of the riverboat. From the tax 6 revenue deposited in the State Gaming Fund pursuant to 7 riverboat gambling operations conducted by a licensed manager 8 on behalf of the State, an amount equal to 5% of adjusted gross 9 receipts generated pursuant to those riverboat gambling 10 operations shall be paid monthly, subject to appropriation by 11 the General Assembly, to the unit of local government that is 12 designated as the home dock of the riverboat upon which those 13 riverboat gambling operations are conducted.

14 (c) Appropriations, as approved by the General Assembly, 15 may be made from the State Gaming Fund to the Department of 16 Revenue and the Department of State Police for the 17 administration and enforcement of this Act, or to the Department of Human Services for the administration of programs 18 19 to treat problem gambling.

(c-5) Before May 26, 2006 (the effective date of Public Act 94-804) and beginning 2 years after May 26, 2006 (the effective date of Public Act 94-804), after the payments required under subsections (b) and (c) have been made, an amount equal to 15% of the adjusted gross receipts of (1) an owners licensee that relocates pursuant to Section 11.2, (2) an owners licensee conducting riverboat gambling operations pursuant to an owners

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license that is initially issued after June 25, 1999, or (3) the first riverboat gambling operations conducted by a licensed manager on behalf of the State under Section 7.3, whichever comes first, shall be paid from the State Gaming Fund into the Horse Racing Equity Fund.

6 (c-10) Each year the General Assembly shall appropriate 7 from the General Revenue Fund to the Education Assistance Fund 8 an amount equal to the amount paid into the Horse Racing Equity 9 Fund pursuant to subsection (c-5) in the prior calendar year.

10 (c-15) After the payments required under subsections (b), 11 (c), and (c-5) have been made, an amount equal to 2% of the 12 adjusted gross receipts of (1) an owners licensee that 13 relocates pursuant to Section 11.2, (2) an owners licensee 14 conducting riverboat gambling operations pursuant to an owners 15 license that is initially issued after June 25, 1999, or (3) 16 the first riverboat gambling operations conducted by a licensed 17 manager on behalf of the State under Section 7.3, whichever comes first, shall be paid, subject to appropriation from the 18 19 General Assembly, from the State Gaming Fund to each home rule county with a population of over 3,000,000 inhabitants for the 20 purpose of enhancing the county's criminal justice system. 21

(c-20) Each year the General Assembly shall appropriate from the General Revenue Fund to the Education Assistance Fund an amount equal to the amount paid to each home rule county with a population of over 3,000,000 inhabitants pursuant to subsection (c-15) in the prior calendar year.

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1	(c-25) After the payments required under subsections (b),
2	(c), (c-5) and (c-15) have been made, subject to appropriation,
3	an amount equal to 2% of the adjusted gross receipts of (1) an
4	owners licensee that relocates pursuant to Section 11.2, (2) an
5	owners licensee conducting riverboat gambling operations
6	pursuant to an owners license that is initially issued after
7	June 25, 1999, or (3) the first riverboat gambling operations
8	conducted by a licensed manager on behalf of the State under
9	Section 7.3, whichever comes first, shall be paid from the
10	State Gaming Fund and shall be divided equally among the
11	following public universities: Chicago State University,
12	Eastern Illinois University, Governors State University,
13	Northeastern Illinois University, Illinois State University,
14	Northern Illinois University, Southern Illinois University,
15	the University of Illinois, and Western Illinois University to
16	Chicago State University.

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17 (d) From time to time, the Board shall transfer the 18 remainder of the funds generated by this Act into the Education 19 Assistance Fund, created by Public Act 86-0018, of the State of 20 Illinois.

(e) Nothing in this Act shall prohibit the unit of local government designated as the home dock of the riverboat from entering into agreements with other units of local government in this State or in other states to share its portion of the tax revenue.

26 (f) To the extent practicable, the Board shall administer

and collect the wagering taxes imposed by this Section in a manner consistent with the provisions of Sections 4, 5, 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, 5e, 5f, 5g, 5i, 5j, 6, 6a, 6b, 6c, 8, 9, and 10 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act and Section 3-7 of the Uniform Penalty and Interest Act.

6 (Source: P.A. 94-673, eff. 8-23-05; 94-804, eff. 5-26-06;
7 94-839, eff. 6-6-06; 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 9 becoming law.