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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1262

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1262, AS AMENDED, by
3 replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
4 following:

5 "Section 5. If and only if Senate Bill 1849 of the 97th
6 General Assembly becomes law in its enrolled form, the
7 Riverboat Gambling Act is amended by changing Section 2 and by
8 adding Section 13.2 as follows:

9 (230 ILCS 10/2) (from Ch. 120, par. 2402)

10 Sec. 2. Legislative Intent.

11 (a) This Act is intended to benefit the people of the State
12 of Illinois by assisting economic development, ~~and~~ promoting
13 Illinois tourism and agriculture, assisting conservation and
14 forestry programs, funding programs that assist the people of
15 the State of Illinois during difficult economic conditions, and
16 ~~by~~ increasing the amount of revenues available to the State to

1 assist and support education, and by supporting programs that
2 enhance the beauty of the State and its parks, rivers, forest
3 preserves, and botanic gardens.

4 (b) While authorization of riverboat gambling will enhance
5 investment, beautification, development and tourism in
6 Illinois, it is recognized that it will do so successfully only
7 if public confidence and trust in the credibility and integrity
8 of the gambling operations and the regulatory process is
9 maintained. Therefore, regulatory provisions of this Act are
10 designed to strictly regulate the facilities, persons,
11 associations and practices related to gambling operations
12 pursuant to the police powers of the State, including
13 comprehensive law enforcement supervision.

14 (c) The Illinois Gaming Board established under this Act
15 should, as soon as possible, inform each applicant for an
16 owners license of the Board's intent to grant or deny a
17 license.

18 (Source: P.A. 93-28, eff. 6-20-03.)

19 (230 ILCS 10/13.2 new)

20 Sec. 13.2. Wagering tax; additional distributions.

21 (a) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act
22 of the 97th General Assembly, from the tax revenue deposited in
23 the State Gaming Fund under Section 13, \$150,000 shall be paid
24 annually to a county forest preserve district for the
25 maintenance of a botanic garden that was created by Section 43

1 of the Cook County Forest Preserve District Act.

2 (b) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act
3 of the 97th General Assembly, from the tax revenue deposited in
4 the State Gaming Fund from electronic gaming under Section 13,
5 (i) \$10,000,000 shall be deposited annually into the Partners
6 for Conservation Fund for grants to soil and water conservation
7 districts, (ii) \$1,000,000 shall be deposited annually into the
8 Illinois Forestry Development Fund for costs associated with
9 the CREP Forestry Assistance Program, (iii) \$2,500,000 shall be
10 deposited annually into the Illinois Historic Sites Fund for
11 costs associated with the State's historic sites, (iv)
12 \$2,500,000 shall be deposited annually into the Park and
13 Conservation Fund for costs associated with the State's state
14 parks, and (v) \$4,000,000 shall be deposited annually into the
15 State Cooperative Service Trust Fund for grants to the State's
16 cooperative extensions. Deposits made pursuant to this
17 subsection (b) shall supplement, and not supplant, other State
18 funding for these purposes.

19 (c) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act
20 of the 97th General Assembly and ending July 1, 2014, from the
21 tax revenue deposited in the State Gaming Fund under Section
22 13, \$2,000,000 shall be deposited annually into the Foreclosure
23 Prevention Program Fund."