

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 SB2487

Introduced 10/16/2009, by Sen. James A. DeLeo

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2505/2505-305

was 20 ILCS 2505/39b15.1

Amends the Department of Revenue Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department's investigators have expanded powers of peace officers to enforce taxing and other measures related to liquor, racing, and gaming. The investigators may exercise the powers if there is a threat to life or safety and local law enforcement is notified as soon as practical.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

- Section 5. The Department of Revenue Law of the Civil

 Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section

 2505-305 as follows:
- 7 (20 ILCS 2505/2505-305) (was 20 ILCS 2505/39b15.1)
- 8 Sec. 2505-305. Investigators.
- 9 (a) The Department has the power to appoint investigators to conduct all investigations, searches, seizures, arrests, 10 and other duties imposed under the provisions of any law 11 12 administered by the Department. These Except as provided in subsection (c), these investigators have and may exercise all 13 14 the powers of peace officers only as provided in this Section. An investigator may exercise the powers of a peace officer 15 16 while solely for the purpose of enforcing taxing or other 17 measures administered by the Department. An investigator may exercise the powers of a peace officer when he or she discovers 18 any criminal offense or violation while enforcing any measure 19 administered by the Department, the Illinois Liquor Control 20 21 Commission, the Illinois Racing Board, or the Illinois Gaming 22 Board if (i) the criminal offense or violation creates a threat to the life or safety of the investigator or any other person 23

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- and (ii) the investigator notifies the proper local law enforcement agency as soon as is practical.
 - (b) The Director must authorize to each investigator employed under this Section and to any other employee of the Department exercising the powers of a peace officer a distinct badge that, on its face, (i) clearly states that the badge is authorized by the Department and (ii) contains a unique identifying number. No other badge shall be authorized by the Department.
- 10 (c) The Department may enter into agreements with the
 11 Illinois Gaming Board providing that investigators appointed
 12 under this Section shall exercise the peace officer powers set
 13 forth in paragraph (20.6) of subsection (c) of Section 5 of the
 14 Riverboat Gambling Act.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 96-37, eff. 7-13-09.)