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- 18 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 19 hereby enacts as follows:
- 20 CHAPTER 1
- 21 GENERAL PROVISIONS
- 22 Section 101. Short title.
- 23 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Commonwealth
- 24 Casino Control Act."
- 25 Section 102. Declaration of policy.
- 26 The General Assembly hereby finds, and declares to be the
- 27 public policy of this Commonwealth, the following:
- 28 The tourist, resort and convention industry of this
- 29 Commonwealth constitutes a critical component of its economic
- 30 structure and, if properly developed, controlled and fostered,

- 1 is capable of providing a substantial contribution to the
- 2 general welfare, health and prosperity of the Commonwealth and
- 3 its inhabitants.
- 4 The rehabilitation and redevelopment of existing tourist and
- 5 convention facilities in the major cities of the Commonwealth
- 6 and the fostering and encouragement of new construction in these
- 7 cities will improve the quality of life in the Commonwealth's
- 8 major cities.
- 9 The resort areas of the Commonwealth are valuable assets and
- 10 their continued prosperity is of critical importance to the
- 11 inhabitants of the Commonwealth.
- 12 The establishment of casino gambling in the Commonwealth
- 13 especially in the major cities and resort areas would attract
- 14 new investment capital to the Commonwealth.
- 15 The establishment of casino gambling in the Commonwealth
- 16 would benefit all of the Commonwealth's inhabitants.
- 17 An integral and essential element of the regulation and
- 18 control of casino gambling facilities by the Commonwealth rests
- 19 in the public confidence and trust in the credibility and
- 20 integrity of the regulatory process and of casino operations. To
- 21 further such public confidence and trust, the regulatory
- 22 provisions of this act are designed to extend strict
- 23 Commonwealth regulation to all persons, locations, practices and
- 24 associations related to the operation of licensed casino
- 25 enterprises and all related service industries as herein
- 26 provided.
- 27 Legalized casino gaming in the Commonwealth can attain,
- 28 maintain and retain integrity, public confidence and trust, and
- 29 remain compatible with the general public interest only under
- 30 such a system of control and regulation as insures, so far as

- 1 practicable, the exclusion from participation therein of persons
- 2 with known criminal records, habits or associations, and the
- 3 exclusion or removal from any positions of authority or
- 4 responsibility within casino gaming operations and
- 5 establishments of any persons known to be so deficient in
- 6 business probity, ability or experience, either generally or
- 7 with specific reference to gaming, as to create or enhance the
- 8 dangers of unsound, unfair or illegal practices, methods and
- 9 activities in the conduct of gaming or the carrying on of the
- 10 business and financial arrangements incident thereto.
- 11 Since the public has a vital interest in casino operations,
- 12 participation in casino operations as a licensee under this act
- 13 shall be deemed a revokable privilege conditioned upon the
- 14 proper and continued qualification of the individual licensee
- 15 and upon the discharge of the affirmative responsibility of each
- 16 such licensee to provide to the regulatory and investigatory
- 17 authorities established by this act any assistance and
- 18 information necessary to assure that the policies declared by
- 19 this act are achieved. Consistent with this policy, it is the
- 20 intent of this act to preclude the creation of any property
- 21 right in any license, certificate or reservation permitted by
- 22 this act, the accrual of any value to the privilege of
- 23 participation in gaming operations, or the transfer of any
- 24 license, certificate, or reservation, and to require that
- 25 participation in gaming be solely conditioned upon the
- 26 individual qualifications of the person seeking such privilege.
- 27 Since casino operations are especially sensitive and in need
- 28 of public control and supervision, and since it is vital to the
- 29 interests of the Commonwealth to prevent entry, directly or
- 30 indirectly, into such operations or the ancillary industries

- 1 regulated by this act of persons who have pursued economic gains
- 2 in an occupational manner or context which are in violation of
- 3 the criminal or civil public policies of the Commonwealth, the
- 4 regulatory and investigatory powers and duties shall be
- 5 exercised to the fullest extent consistent with law to avoid
- 6 entry of such persons into the casino operations or the
- 7 ancillary industries regulated by this act.
- 8 The facilities in which licensed casinos are to be located
- 9 are of vital law enforcement and social interest to the
- 10 Commonwealth, and it is in the public interest that the
- 11 regulatory and investigatory powers and duties conferred by this
- 12 act include the power and duty to review architectural and site
- 13 plans to assure that the proposal is suitable by law
- 14 enforcement, aesthetic and architectural standards.
- 15 Since the economic stability of casino operations is in the
- 16 public interest and competition in casino operations is
- 17 desirable and necessary to assure the residents of the
- 18 Commonwealth and visitors varied attractions and exceptional
- 19 facilities, the regulatory and investigatory powers and duties
- 20 conferred by this act shall include the power and duty to
- 21 regulate, control and prevent economic concentration in the
- 22 casino operations and the ancillary industries regulated by this
- 23 act, and to encourage and preserve competition.
- 24 It is in the public interest that the institution of licensed
- 25 casino establishments in the Commonwealth be strictly regulated
- 26 and controlled pursuant to the above findings and pursuant to
- 27 the provisions of this act, which provisions are designed to
- 28 engender and maintain public confidence and trust in the
- 29 regulation of the licensed enterprises, to provide an effective
- 30 method of rebuilding and redeveloping existing facilities and of

- 1 encouraging new capital investment in the Commonwealth, and to
- 2 provide a meaningful and permanent contribution to the economic
- 3 viability of the resort, convention and tourist industry of the
- 4 Commonwealth and its major cities.
- 5 Section 103. Definitions.
- 6 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 7 have, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the
- 8 meanings given to them in this section:
- 9 "Applicant." Any person who on his own behalf or on behalf
- 10 of another has applied for permission to engage in any act or
- 11 activity which is regulated under the provisions of this act.
- 12 "Application." A written request for permission to engage in
- 13 any act or activity which is regulated under the provisions of
- 14 this act.
- 15 "Authorized game " or "authorized gambling game." Roulette,
- 16 baccarat, blackjack, craps, big six wheel and slot machines.
- 17 "Bureau." The Bureau of Gaming Enforcement.
- "Casino." A single room of at least 15,000 square feet in
- 19 which casino gaming is conducted pursuant to the provisions of
- 20 this act.
- 21 "Casino employee." Any natural person employed in the
- 22 operation of a licensed casino, including, without limitation,
- 23 boxmen; dealers or croupiers; floormen; machine mechanics; and
- 24 bartenders, waiters and waitresses or other persons whose
- 25 employment duties require or authorize access to the casino but
- 26 who are not included in the definition of casino hotel employee,
- 27 casino key employee, casino security employee, or principal
- 28 employee as hereinafter stated.
- "Casino hotel employee." Any natural person employed by a
- 30 casino hotel licensed under this act to perform service or

- 1 custodial duties not directly related to operations of the
- 2 casino, including, without limitation, bartenders, waiters,
- 3 waitresses, maintenance personnel, kitchen staff, but whose
- 4 employment duties do not require or authorize access to the
- 5 casino.
- 6 "Casino key employee." Any natural person employed in the
- 7 operation of a licensed casino in a supervisory capacity or
- 8 empowered to make discretionary decisions which regulate casino
- 9 operation, and who is not within an employee category defined
- 10 elsewhere in this act, including, without limitation, pit
- 11 bosses, shift bosses, supervisors and cashiers; casino managers
- 12 and assistant managers; managers or supervisors of casino
- 13 security employees; and any other employee so designated by the
- 14 Casino Control Commission.
- "Casino license." Any license issued pursuant to this act
- 16 which authorizes the holder thereof to own or operate a casino.
- "Casino security employee." Any natural person employed by a
- 18 casino or its agent to provide physical security in a casino
- 19 hotel.
- 20 "Casino service industry." Any form of enterprise which
- 21 provides casinos with goods or services on a regular or
- 22 continuing basis, including, without limitation, security
- 23 businesses, gaming schools, manufacturers, distributors and
- 24 servicers of gaming devices or equipment, garbage haulers,
- 25 maintenance companies, food purveyors, or any other enterprise
- 26 which does business with licensed casinos on a regular or
- 27 continuing basis.
- 28 "Chairman" and "commissioner" or "member." The chairman and
- 29 any member of the Casino Control Commission, respectively.
- 30 "Commission." The Commonwealth Casino Control Commission.

- 1 "Director." The Director of the Bureau of Gaming
- 2 Enforcement.
- 3 "Equal employment opportunity." Equality in opportunity for
- 4 employment by any person licensed pursuant to the provisions of
- 5 this act.
- 6 "Equity security." Any voting stock of a corporation or
- 7 similar security; any security convertible, with or without
- 8 consideration, into such a security or carrying any warrant or
- 9 right to subscribe to or purchase such a security; any such
- 10 warrant or right; or any security having a direct or indirect
- 11 participation in the profits of the issuer.
- 12 "Establishment." Any premises wherein or whereon any gaming
- 13 is done.
- 14 "Family." Spouse, parents, grandparents, children,
- 15 grandchildren, siblings, uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces,
- 16 fathers-in-law, mothers-in-law, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law,
- 17 brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, whether by the whole or half
- 18 blood, by marriage, adoption or natural relationship.
- 19 "Game" or "gambling game." Any banking or percentage game
- 20 located exclusively within the casino played with cards, dice or
- 21 any mechanical device or machine for money, property or any
- 22 representative of value.
- 23 "Gaming" or "gambling." The dealing, operating, carrying on,
- 24 conducting, maintaining or exposing for pay of any game.
- 25 "Gaming device" or "gaming equipment." Any mechanical
- 26 contrivance or machine used in connection with gaming or any
- 27 game.
- "Gross revenue." The total of all sums, including checks
- 29 received pursuant to the provisions of this act, whether
- 30 collected or not, actually received by a licensee from gaming

- 1 operations, less only the total of all sums paid out as winnings
- 2 to patrons and an allowance for uncollected gaming receivables
- 3 not to exceed the lesser of such receivables actually
- 4 uncollected or 4% of the total of all sums including checks,
- 5 whether collected or not.
- 6 "Hearing examiner." A commissioner or other person
- 7 authorized by the commission to conduct hearings.
- 8 "Holding company." Any corporation, association, firm,
- 9 partnership, trust or other form of business organization not a
- 10 natural person which, directly or indirectly, owns, has the
- 11 power or right to control, or has the power to vote all or any
- 12 part of the outstanding voting securities of a corporation which
- 13 holds or applies for a casino license. For the purpose of this
- 14 section, in addition to any other reasonable meaning of the
- 15 words used, a "holding company" indirectly has, holds or owns
- 16 any such power, right or security if it does so through any
- 17 interest in a subsidiary or successive subsidiaries, however,
- 18 many such subsidiaries may intervene between the holding company
- 19 and the corporate licensee or applicant.
- 20 "Hotel" or "approved hotel." A single building under one
- 21 ownership and containing not fewer than 100 sleeping units, each
- 22 of at least 250 square feet measured to the center of perimeter
- 23 walls, including bathroom and closet space and excluding
- 24 hallways, balconies and lounges; each containing private
- 25 bathroom facilities; and each held available and used regularly
- 26 for the lodging of tourists and convention guests and conforming
- 27 in all respects to the facilities requirements contained in this
- 28 act. For the purpose of exceeding the maximum casino size
- 29 specified in this act, an approved hotel may, by means of
- 30 physical connection, annex additional buildings or facilities.

- 1 "Physical connection" for the purposes herein means an enclosed
- 2 permanent pedestrian passageway. In no event shall the main
- 3 entrance or only access to an approved hotel by through a
- 4 casino.
- 5 "Intermediary company." Any corporation, association, firm,
- 6 partnership, trust or any other form of business organization
- 7 other than a natural person which:
- 8 (1) is a holding company with respect to a corporation
- 9 which holds or applies for a casino license; and
- 10 (2) is a subsidiary with respect to any holding company.
- 11 "Junket." An arrangement or arrangements the primary purpose
- 12 of which is to induce any person to gamble at a licensed casino
- 13 hotel and pursuant to which, and as consideration for which,
- 14 over \$200 of the cost of transportation, food, lodging, and
- 15 entertainment for said person is directly or indirectly paid by
- 16 a casino licensee or employee or agent thereof. For purposes of
- 17 this act, the furnishing of any of the above items on a
- 18 complimentary basis shall be deemed to constitute the indirect
- 19 payment for such food or lodging in the amount of the retail
- 20 price normally charged by the licensee.
- 21 "License." Any license required by this act.
- 22 "License fee." Any moneys required by law to be paid for the
- 23 issuance or renewal of a casino license, or any other license
- 24 required by this act.
- 25 "Licensed casino operation." Any casino licensed pursuant to
- 26 the provisions of this act.
- 27 "Licensee." Any person who is licensed under any of the
- 28 provisions of this act.
- "Operation." The conduct of gaming as herein defined.
- 30 "Operation certificate." A certificate issued by the

- 1 commission which certifies that operation of a casino conforms
- 2 to the requirements of this act and applicable regulations and
- 3 that its personnel and procedures are efficient and prepared to
- 4 entertain the public.
- 5 "Party." The commission, or any licensee, or any person
- 6 appearing of record for any licensee in any proceeding before
- 7 the commission or in any proceeding for judicial review of any
- 8 action, decision or order of the commission.
- 9 "Person." Any corporation, association, operation, firm,
- 10 partnership, trust or other form of business association, as
- 11 well as a natural person.
- "Principal employee." Any employee who, by reason of
- 13 remuneration or of a management, supervisory or policy-making
- 14 position or such other criteria as may be established by the
- 15 commission by regulation, holds or exercises such authority as
- 16 shall in the judgment of the commission be sufficiently related
- 17 to the operation of a licensee so as to require approval by the
- 18 commission in the protection of the public interest.
- 19 "Publicly traded corporation." Any corporation or other
- 20 legal entity, except a natural person, which has one or more
- 21 classes of security registered pursuant to section 102 of the
- 22 Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (15 U.S.C. Section
- 23 781.), or is an issuer subject to section 15(d) of the
- 24 Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended (15 U.S.C. 780).
- 25 "Registration." Any requirement other than one which
- 26 requires a license as a prerequisite to conduct a particular
- 27 business as specified by this act.
- 28 "Registrant." Any person who is registered pursuant to the
- 29 provisions of this act.
- 30 "Regulated complimentary service account." An account

- 1 maintained by a casino licensee on a regular basis which
- 2 itemizes complimentary services and includes, without
- 3 limitation, a listing of the cost of junket activities and any
- 4 other service provided at no cost or reduced price.
- 5 "Respondent." Any person against whom a complaint has been
- 6 filed or a written request for information served.
- 7 "Security." Any instrument evidencing a direct or indirect
- 8 beneficial ownership or creditor interest in a corporation,
- 9 including but not limited to, stock, common and preferred;
- 10 bonds; mortgages; debentures; security agreements; notes;
- 11 warrants; options and rights.
- 12 "Slot machine." Any mechanical, electrical or other device,
- 13 contrivance or machine which, upon insertion of a coin, token or
- 14 similar object therein, or upon payment of any consideration
- 15 whatsoever, is available to play or operate, the play or
- 16 operation of which, whether by reason of the skill of the
- 17 operator or application of the element of chance, or both, may
- 18 deliver or entitle the person playing or operating the machine
- 19 to receive cash or tokens to be exchanged for cash, whether the
- 20 payoff is made automatically from the machine or in any other
- 21 manner whatsoever.
- 22 "Statement of compliance." A statement by the commission
- 23 which may be issued to an applicant indicating satisfactory
- 24 completion of a particular stage or stages of the license
- 25 consideration process, and which states that unless there is a
- 26 change of any material circumstance pertaining to such
- 27 particular stage or stages of license consideration involved in
- 28 the statement, such applicant has complied with requirements
- 29 mandated by this act and by the commission and is therefore
- 30 approved for license qualification to the stage or stages for

- 1 which the statement has been issued.
- 2 "Subsidiary." Any corporation, all or any part of whose
- 3 outstanding equity securities are owned, subject to a power or
- 4 right of control, or held with power to vote, by a holding
- 5 company or an intermediary company; or any firm, association,
- 6 partnership, trust or other form of business organization, not a
- 7 natural person, or any interest therein, which is owned, subject
- 8 to a power or right of control, or held with power to vote, by a
- 9 holding company or an intermediary company.
- 10 "Work permit." A writing provided by the commission to a
- 11 casino licensee which authorizes the employment of a particular
- 12 casino hotel employee, casino employee or casino key employee in
- 13 a particular capacity by a casino licensee.
- 14 CHAPTER 2
- 15 ESTABLISHMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF
- 16 THE COMMONWEALTH CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION
- 17 AND THE BUREAU OF GAMING ENFORCEMENT
- 18 Section 201. Commonwealth Casino Control Commission.
- 19 There is hereby created as an independent administrative
- 20 commission the Commonwealth Casino Control Commission which
- 21 shall consist of five members.
- 22 Section 202. Commission members; appointment and
- 23 qualifications.
- 24 The members of the commission shall be appointed by the
- 25 Governor by and with the advice and consent of a majority of the
- 26 members elected to the Senate. Prior to nomination, the Governor
- 27 shall cause an inquiry to be conducted by the Attorney General
- 28 into the nominee's background, with particular regard to the
- 29 nominee's financial stability, integrity, and responsibility and
- 30 his reputation for good character, honesty and integrity. No

- 1 more than three members of the commission may be of the same
- 2 political affiliation. Each member of the commission shall be a
- 3 citizen of the United States and a resident of the Commonwealth
- 4 of Pennsylvania. No member of the General Assembly, or person
- 5 holding any elective or appointive office in Federal, State or
- 6 local government shall be eligible to serve as a member of the
- 7 commission.
- 8 Section 203. Term of office; removal.
- 9 (a) Initial appointments to the commission shall be for
- 10 terms as follows:
- 11 (1) one member for one year;
- 12 (2) One member for two years;
- 13 (3) one member for three years;
- 14 (4) One member for four years; and
- 15 (5) One member for five years, who shall be designated
- 16 chairman.
- 17 (b) The term of each of the members first appointed shall be
- 18 designated by the Governor.
- 19 (c) After the initial appointments, all members shall be
- 20 appointed for terms of five years: Provided, however, That no
- 21 member shall serve more than two terms of five years each.
- 22 (d) Appointments to fill vacancies on the commission shall
- 23 be for the unexpired term of the member to be replaced.
- 24 (e) The member designated by the Governor to serve as
- 25 chairman shall serve in such capacity throughout such member's
- 26 entire term and until his successor shall have been duly
- 27 appointed and qualified. No such member, however, shall serve in
- 28 such capacity for more than ten years. The chairman shall be the
- 29 chief executive officer of the commission, shall devote full
- 30 time to the duties of his office and shall not pursue or engage

- 1 in any other business, occupation or other gainful employment.
- 2 (f) A commissioner may be removed from office for misconduct
- 3 in office, willful neglect of duty, or other conduct evidencing
- 4 unfitness for his office, or for incompetence. A proceeding for
- 5 removal may be instituted by the Attorney General in the
- 6 Commonwealth Court. Notwithstanding any provision of this or any
- 7 other act, any commissioner or employee of the commission shall
- 8 automatically forfeit his office or position upon conviction of
- 9 any crime.
- 10 (g) Each member of the commission shall serve for the
- 11 duration of his term and until his successor shall be duly
- 12 appointed and qualified, subject to the limitations contained in
- 13 this section.
- 14 Section 204. Compensation of members.
- 15 Each member of the commission other than the chairman shall
- 16 receive compensation of \$18,000 per annum and shall also be
- 17 entitled to reimbursement for his expenses actually and
- 18 necessarily incurred in the performance of his duties, including
- 19 expenses of travel outside of the Commonwealth. The compensation
- 20 of the chairman shall be \$60,000 per annum.
- 21 Section 205. Organization and employees.
- 22 (a) The commission may establish, and from time to time
- 23 alter, such plan of organization as it may deem expedient, and
- 24 may incur expenses within the limits of funds available to it.
- 25 (b) The commission shall elect annually by a majority of the
- 26 full commission one of its members, other than the chairman, to
- 27 serve as vice-chairman for the ensuing year. The vice-chairman
- 28 shall be empowered to carry out all of the responsibilities of
- 29 the chairman as prescribed in this act during his absence or
- 30 inability to serve.

- 1 (c) The Commission shall appoint an executive secretary who
- 2 shall serve at its pleasure and shall be responsible for the
- 3 conduct of its administrative affairs. No person shall be
- 4 eligible for such appointment unless he shall have at least five
- 5 years of responsible experience in public or business
- 6 administration or possesses broad management skills. The salary
- 7 of the executive secretary shall be fixed by the commission:
- 8 Provided, however, That such salary shall not exceed \$35,000.
- 9 (d) The commission may employ such other personnel as it
- 10 deems necessary. No employees of the commission, except for
- 11 secretarial and clerical personnel, shall be included in
- 12 "classified service" for purposes of (d) of the act of August 5,
- 13 1941 (P.L.752, No.286), as amended, known as the "Civil Service
- 14 Act." All employees of the commission shall be deemed
- 15 confidential employees for the purposes of the act of July 23,
- 16 1970 (P.L.563, No.195), known as the "Public Employe Relations
- 17 Act."
- (e) The commission may employ legal counsel who shall
- 19 represent the commission in any proceeding to which it is a
- 20 party, and who shall render legal advice to the commission upon
- 21 its request. The commission may contract for the services of
- 22 other professional, technical and operational personnel and
- 23 consultants as may be necessary to the performance of its
- 24 responsibilities under this act.
- 25 Section 206. Bureau of Gaming Enforcement.
- 26 (a) There is hereby established in the Department of Justice
- 27 the Bureau of Gaming Enforcement. The bureau shall be under the
- 28 immediate supervision of a director who shall also be sworn as
- 29 an Assistant Attorney General and who shall administer the work
- 30 of the bureau under the direction and supervision of the

- 1 Attorney General. The director shall be appointed by the
- 2 Governor by and with the advice and consent of a majority of the
- 3 members elected to the Senate, and shall serve during the term
- 4 of office of the Governor, except that the first director shall
- 5 be appointed for a term of two years. The director may be
- 6 removed from office by the Attorney General for cause upon
- 7 notice and opportunity to be heard. The Attorney General shall
- 8 be responsible for the exercise of the duties and powers
- 9 assigned to the bureau.
- 10 (b) The Attorney General shall organize the work of the
- 11 bureau in such organizational units as he may determine to be
- 12 necessary for efficient and effective operation and shall assign
- 13 to the bureau such employees of the Department of Justice as may
- 14 be necessary to assist the director in the performance of his
- 15 duties. Subject to approval of the Attorney General, the
- 16 commission of State Police shall assign such supervisory and
- 17 investigative personnel and other resources to the Bureau of
- 18 Gaming Enforcement as may be necessary to fulfill its
- 19 obligations under this act.
- 20 (c) No employees of the bureau, except for secretarial and
- 21 clerical personnel, shall be included in "classified service"
- 22 for purposes of the "Civil Service Act." All employees of the
- 23 division shall be deemed confidential employees for the purposes
- 24 of the "Public Employe Relations Act."
- 25 The bureau may incur expenses within the limits of funds
- 26 available to it.
- 27 Section 207. Expenses of bureau.
- 28 The bureau may incur expenses within the limits of funds
- 29 available.
- 30 Section 208. Restrictions on preemployment by commissions,

- 1 commission employees and bureau employees and
- 2 agents.
- 3 (a) No person shall be appointed to or be employed by the
- 4 commission or bureau if, during the period commencing three
- 5 years prior to appointment or employment, said person held any
- 6 direct or indirect interest in, or any employment by, any person
- 7 engaged in gaming; any manufacturer, distributor or servicer of
- 8 gaming equipment; or any operator of licensed pari-mutuel
- 9 betting.
- 10 (b) No person shall be appointed to or employed by the
- 11 commission or bureau if, during the period commencing three
- 12 years prior to appointment or employment, said person held any
- 13 direct or indirect interest in, or any employment by, any person
- 14 which is licensed by or has an application for a license pending
- 15 before or is registered with the commission.
- 16 (c) Prior to appointment or employment, each member of the
- 17 commission, each employee of the commission, the director of the
- 18 Bureau of Gaming Enforcement and each employee and agent of the
- 19 bureau shall swear or affirm that he possesses no interest in
- 20 any business or organization licensed by or registered with the
- 21 commission.
- 22 (d) Each member of the commission and the director of the
- 23 bureau shall file with the Office of the Governor a financial
- 24 disclosure statement listing all assets and liabilities,
- 25 property and business interests, and sources of income of said
- 26 member or director and his spouse and shall provide to the
- 27 Attorney General a financial disclosure statement listing all
- 28 assets and liabilities, property and business interests, and
- 29 sources of income of the parents, brothers, sisters, and
- 30 children of said member or director. Such statement shall be

- 1 under oath and shall be filed at the time of appointment and
- 2 annually thereafter.
- 3 (e) Each employee of the commission, except for secretarial
- 4 and clerical personnel, and each employee and agent of the
- 5 bureau, except for secretarial and clerical personnel, shall
- 6 file with the Office of the Governor a financial disclosure
- 7 statement listing all assets and liabilities, property and
- 8 business interests, and sources of income of said employee or
- 9 agent and his spouse. Such statement shall be under oath and
- 10 shall be filed at the time of employment and annually
- 11 thereafter.
- 12 Section 209. Employment restrictions on commissioners,
- commission employees and bureau employees.
- 14 (a) A code of ethics governing the specific needs of the
- 15 commission and the bureau shall be promulgated by each and shall
- 16 include, among other provisions, that:
- 17 (1) No commission member or employee or bureau employee
- or agent shall be permitted to gamble in any establishment
- 19 licensed by the commission except in the course of his
- 20 duties.
- 21 (2) No commission member or employee or bureau employee
- or agent shall solicit or accept employment from any person
- 23 licensed by or registered with the commission or from any
- 24 applicant for a period of four years after termination of
- 25 service with the commission, or bureau, unless subject to
- 26 section 210(b).
- 27 (b) No commission member or employee or bureau employee or
- 28 agent shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in any
- 29 applicant or in any person licensed by or registered with the
- 30 commission during his term of office or employment.

- 1 (c) No commission member shall be employed in any capacity
- 2 by any person licensed by or registered with the commission.
- 3 (d) Each employee of the commission, including legal counsel
- 4 and hearing examiners, and each employee and agent of the bureau
- 5 shall devote his entire time and attention to his duties and
- 6 shall not pursue any other business or occupation or other
- 7 gainful employment, except that secretarial and clerical
- 8 personnel may engage in such other gainful employment as shall
- 9 not interfere with their duties to the commission or bureau,
- 10 unless otherwise directed.
- 11 (e) No member of the commission, employee of the commission,
- 12 or employee or agent of the bureau shall:
- 13 (1) use his official authority or influence for the
- 14 purpose of interfering with or affecting the result of an
- 15 election or a nomination for office;
- 16 (2) directly or indirectly coerce, attempt to coerce,
- 17 command or advise any person to pay, lend or contribute
- anything of value to a party, committee, organization, agency
- or person for political purposes; or
- 20 (3) take any active part in political campaigns or the
- 21 management thereof; provided, however, that nothing herein
- 22 shall prohibit a person from voting as he chooses or from
- 23 expressing his personal opinions on political subjects and
- 24 candidates.
- 25 Section 210. Post-employment restrictions.
- 26 (a) No member of the commission shall hold any direct or
- 27 indirect interest in, or be employed by, any applicant or by any
- 28 person licensed by or registered with the commission for a
- 29 period of four years commencing on the date his membership on
- 30 the commission terminates.

- 1 (b) No employee of the commission or employee or agent of
- 2 the bureau may acquire any direct or indirect interest in, or
- 3 accept employment with, any applicant or any person licensed by
- 4 or registered with the commission, for a period of two years
- 5 commencing at the termination of employment with the commission
- 6 or bureau. At the end of two years, the former employee or agent
- 7 may acquire an interest in, or accept employment with, any
- 8 applicant or person licensed by or registered with the
- 9 commission upon application to and the approval of the
- 10 commission upon a finding that the interest to be acquired or
- 11 the employment will not create the appearance of a conflict of
- 12 interest and does not evidence a conflict of interest in fact.
- 13 (c) No commission member or person employed by the
- 14 commission or bureau shall represent any person or party other
- 15 than the Commonwealth before or against the commission for a
- 16 period of two years from the termination of his office or
- 17 employment with the commission or bureau.
- 18 (d) No partnership, firm or corporation in which a former
- 19 commission member or employee or former bureau employee or agent
- 20 has an interest, nor any partner, officer or employee of any
- 21 such partnership, firm or corporation shall make any appearance
- 22 or representation which is prohibited to said former member,
- 23 employee, or agent.
- 24 Section 211. Applicant and licensee liability for violations.
- 25 (a) No applicant or person or organization licensed by or
- 26 registered with the commission shall employ or offer to employ,
- 27 or provide, transfer or sell, or offer to provide, transfer or
- 28 sell any interest, direct or indirect, in any person licensed by
- 29 or registered with the commission to any person restricted from
- 30 such transactions by the provisions of sections 208, 209 and

- 1 210.
- 2 (b) The commission shall impose such sanctions upon an
- 3 applicant or a licensed or registered person for violations of
- 4 this section as authorized by this act.
- 5 Section 212. Enforcement.
- 6 (a) The Attorney General shall enforce the provisions of
- 7 sections 208, 209 and 210.
- 8 (b) Any person who violates the provisions of sections 208,
- 9 209 and 210 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the third
- 10 degree.
- 11 CHAPTER 3
- 12 POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH
- 13 CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION
- 14 Section 301. General responsibilities of the commission.
- 15 The Commonwealth Casino Control Commission shall have general
- 16 responsibility for the implementation of this act, as
- 17 hereinafter provided, including, without limitation, the
- 18 responsibility:
- 19 (1) to hear and decide promptly and in reasonable order
- 20 all license, certificate, and permit applications and causes
- 21 affecting the granting, suspension, revocation, or renewal
- 22 thereof;
- 23 (2) to conduct all hearings pertaining to civil
- violations of this act or regulations promulgated hereunder;
- 25 (3) to promulgate such regulations as in its judgment
- 26 may be necessary to fulfill the policies of this act;
- 27 (4) to collect all license fees and taxes imposed by
- 28 this act and the regulations issued pursuant hereto;
- 29 (5) to levy and collect penalties for the violation of
- 30 provisions of this act and the regulations promulgated

- 1 hereunder;
- 2 (6) to be present through its inspectors and agents at
- all times during the operation of any casino for the purpose
- 4 of certifying the revenue thereof, receiving complaints from
- 5 the public, and conducting such other investigations into the
- 6 conduct of the games and the maintenance of the equipment as
- 7 from time to time the commission may deem necessary and
- 8 proper; and
- 9 (7) to review and rule upon any complaint by a casino
- 10 licensee regarding any investigative procedures of the bureau
- 11 which are unnecessarily disruptive of casino operations. The
- need to inspect and investigate shall be presumed at all
- times. The disruption of a licensee's operations shall be
- 14 proved by clear and convincing evidence, and establish that:
- 15 (i) the procedures had no reasonable law enforcement
- 16 purpose; and
- 17 (ii) the procedures were so disruptive as to inhibit
- 18 unreasonable casino operations.
- 19 Section 302. Commission powers; denials and sanctions.
- The commission shall assure that licenses, certificates, or
- 21 permits shall not be issued to nor held by, nor shall there be
- 22 any material involvement, directly or indirectly, with the
- 23 licensed casino operation or the ownership thereof by,
- 24 unqualified or disqualified persons or unsuitable persons, or
- 25 persons whose operations are conducted in a manner not
- 26 conforming with the provisions of this act. For the purposes of
- 27 this section, "unqualified person," "disqualified person," or
- 28 "unsuitable person" shall mean any person who is found by the
- 29 commission to be disqualified pursuant to the criteria set forth
- 30 hereinafter, or lack the financial responsibility and capability

- 1 specified hereinafter. In enforcing the provisions of this act,
- 2 the commission shall have the power and authority to deny any
- 3 application; limit or restrict any certificate, permit or
- 4 approval; suspend or revoke any license, certificate, permit or
- 5 approval; and impose a penalty on any person licensed or
- 6 previously approved for any cause deemed reasonable by the
- 7 commission pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated
- 8 thereby, except that no such denial, limitation, suspension or
- 9 revocation shall be issued solely by reason of the fact that an
- 10 applicant or licensee holds an interest in or is associated with
- 11 any licensed casino enterprise in any other jurisdiction.
- 12 Section 303. Subpoenas and oaths.
- 13 The commission shall have the power and authority to issue
- 14 subpoenas and to compel the attendance of witnesses at any place
- 15 within this Commonwealth, to administer oaths and to require
- 16 testimony under oath. The commission may serve its process or
- 17 notices in a manner provided for the service of process and
- 18 notice in civil actions in accordance with law. The commission
- 19 shall have the authority to propound written interrogatories and
- 20 may appoint hearing examiners, to whom may be delegated the
- 21 power and authority to administer oaths, issue subpoenas,
- 22 propound written interrogatories, and require testimony under
- 23 oath.
- 24 Section 304. Investigative hearings.
- 25 The commission shall have the authority to conduct
- 26 investigative hearings concerning the conduct of gaming and
- 27 gaming operations as well as the development and well-being of
- 28 the industries controlled by this act.
- 29 Section 305. Testimonial immunity.
- The commission may order any person to answer a question or

- 1 questions or produce evidence of any kind and confer immunity as
- 2 provided in this section. If, in the course of any investigation
- 3 or hearing conducted under this act, a person refuses to answer
- 4 a question or produce evidence on the ground that he will be
- 5 exposed to criminal prosecution thereby, then in addition to any
- 6 other remedies or sanctions provided for by this act, the
- 7 commission may, by resolution of four of its members and after
- 8 the written approval of the Attorney General, issue an order to
- 9 answer or to produce evidence with immunity.
- 10 If, upon issuance of such an order, the person complies
- 11 therewith, he shall be immune from having such responsive answer
- 12 given by him or such responsive evidence produced by him, or
- 13 evidence derived therefrom, used to expose him to criminal
- 14 prosecution, except that such person may nevertheless be
- 15 prosecuted for any perjury committed in such answer or in
- 16 producing such evidence, or for contempt for failing to give an
- 17 answer or produce evidence in accordance with the order of the
- 18 commission; provided, however, that no period of incarceration
- 19 for contempt shall exceed 18 months in duration pursuant to this
- 20 section. Any such answer given or evidence produced shall be
- 21 admissible against him upon any criminal investigation,
- 22 proceeding or trial against him for such perjury; upon any
- 23 investigation, proceeding or trial against him for such
- 24 contempt; or in any manner consonant with State and
- 25 Constitutional provisions.
- 26 Section 306. Collection of fees, penalties or tax.
- 27 At any time within five years after any amount of fees,
- 28 interest, penalties or tax required to be collected pursuant to
- 29 the provisions of this act shall become due and payable, the
- 30 commission may bring a civil action in the courts of this

- 1 Commonwealth or any other state or of the United States, in the
- 2 name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to collect the amount
- 3 delinquent, together with penalties and interest. An action may
- 4 be brought whether or not the person owing the amount is at such
- 5 time a licensee pursuant to the provisions of this act. If such
- 6 action is brought in this Commonwealth, a writ of attachment may
- 7 be issued and no bond or affidavit prior to the issuance thereof
- 8 shall be required. In all actions in this Commonwealth, the
- 9 records of the commission shall be prima facie evidence of the
- 10 determination of the tax or the amount of the delinquency.
- 11 Section 307. Regulations.
- 12 (a) The commission shall be authorized to adopt, amend, or
- 13 repeal such regulations, consistent with the policy and
- 14 objectives of this act, as it may deem necessary or desirable
- 15 for the public interest in carrying out the provisions of this
- 16 act.
- 17 (b) Such regulations shall be adopted, amended, and repealed
- 18 in accordance with law.
- 19 (c) Any interested person may file a petition with the
- 20 commission requesting the adoption, amendment or repeal of a
- 21 regulation. Such petition shall state clearly and concisely:
- 22 (1) the substance and nature of the regulation,
- amendment or repeal requested;
- 24 (2) the reason for the request; and
- 25 (3) reference to the authority of the commission to take
- the action requested.
- 27 Upon receipt of the petition, the commission shall schedule
- 28 the matter for hearing within 90 days and shall render a
- 29 decision within 30 days after the completion of said hearing.
- 30 Section 308. Required regulations.

- 1 The commission shall, without limitation on the powers
- 2 conferred in the preceding section, include within its
- 3 regulations the following specific provisions in accordance with
- 4 the provisions of this act:
- 5 (1) prescribing the methods and forms of application
- 6 which any applicant shall follow and complete prior to
- 7 consideration of his application by the commission;
- 8 (2) prescribing the methods, procedures and form for
- 9 delivery of information concerning any person's family,
- 10 habits, character, associates, criminal record, business
- 11 activities and financial affairs;
- 12 (3) prescribing procedures for the fingerprinting of an
- applicant, employee of a licensee, or registrant, or other
- methods of identification which may be necessary in the
- judgment of the commission to accomplish effective
- 16 enforcement of restrictions on access to the casino floor and
- 17 other restricted areas of the casino hotel complex;
- 18 (4) prescribing the manner and procedure of all hearings
- 19 conducted by the commission or any hearing examiner,
- 20 including special rules of evidence applicable thereto and
- 21 notices thereof;
- 22 (5) prescribing the manner and method of collection of
- payments of taxes, fees, and penalties;
- 24 (6) defining and limiting the areas of operation, the
- 25 rules of authorized games, odds, and devices permitted, and
- the method of operation of such games and devices;
- 27 (7) regulating the practice and procedures for
- 28 negotiable transactions involving patrons, including
- 29 limitations on the circumstances and amounts of such
- transactions, and the establishment of forms and procedures

- 1 for negotiable instrument transactions, redemptions, and 2 consolidations;
- 3 (8) prescribing grounds and procedures for the 4 revocation or suspension of operation certificates and 5 licenses;
- (9) governing the manufacture, distribution, sale and 6 servicing of gaming devices and equipment; 7
- 8 (10) prescribing the procedures, forms and methods of 9 management controls, including employee and supervisory 10 tables of organization and responsibility, and minimum security standards, including security personnel structure, 12 alarm and other electrical or visual security measures;
- 13 (11) prescribing the qualifications of, and the conditions pursuant to which, engineers, accountants, and 14 15 others shall be permitted to practice before the commission or to submit materials on behalf of any applicant or 16 licensee; provided, however, that no member of the General 17 18 Assembly, nor any firm with which said member is associated, 19 shall be permitted to appear or practice or act in any 20 capacity whatsoever before the commission or bureau regarding 21 any matter whatsoever, nor shall any member of the family of the Governor or of a member of the General Assembly be 22 23 permitted to so practice or appear in any capacity whatsoever 24 before the commission or bureau regarding any matter 25 whatsoever;
- 26 (12) prescribing minimum procedures for the exercise of 27 effective control over the internal fiscal affairs of a 28 licensee, including provisions for the safeguarding of assets and revenues, the recording of cash and evidence of 29 indebtedness, and the maintenance of reliable records, 30

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- accounts, and reports of transactions, operations and events, including reports to the commission;
- 3 (13) providing for a minimum uniform standard of
 4 accountancy methods, procedures and forms; a uniform code of
 5 accounts and accounting classifications; and other standard
 6 operating procedures, as may be necessary to assure
 7 consistency, comparability, and effective disclosure of all
 8 financial information, including calculations of percentages
 9 of profit by game, table, gaming device and slot machines;
 - (14) requiring periodic financial reports and the form thereof, including an annual audit prepared by a certified public accountant licensed to do business in this Commonwealth attesting to the financial condition of a licensee and disclosing whether the accounts, records and control procedures examined are maintained by the licensee as required by this act and the regulations promulgated hereunder;
- 18 (15) governing the advertising of casino licensees, their employees and agents, with the view toward assuring 19 20 that gaming is portrayed as an activity for adults conducted in an atmosphere of social graciousness, and that such 21 22 advertisements are in no way deceptive; provided, however, 23 that such regulations shall not prohibit the advertisement of 24 casino location, hours of operation, or types of games and other amenities offered, but in no circumstance shall permit 25 the advertisement of information about odds, the number of 26 27 games, or the size of the casino; and provided further, 28 however, that such regulations shall require the words "Bet with your head, not over it" to appear on all billboards, 29 30 signs, and other on-sight advertising of a casino operation;

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- 1 (16) governing entertainment presented by casino
- 2 licensees in accordance with the prevailing community
- 3 standards as determined by the commission;
- 4 (17) concerning the distribution and consumption of
- 5 alcoholic beverages on the premises of the licensee, which
- 6 regulations shall be insofar as possible consistent with the
- 7 act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the "Liquor
- 8 Code, " as amended, and shall deviate only insofar as
- 9 necessary because of the unique character of the hotel casino
- 10 premises and operations; and
- 11 (18) limiting signs and other on-sight advertising, with
- 12 a view toward minimizing solicitation for gaming purposes
- from the public thoroughfares or otherwise dominating or
- despoiling the architecture or environment.
- 15 Section 309. Regulation requiring exclusion of certain persons.
- 16 (a) The commission shall, by regulation, provide for the
- 17 establishment of a list of persons who are to be excluded or
- 18 ejected from any licensed casino establishment. Such provisions
- 19 shall define the standards for exclusion, and shall include
- 20 standards relating to persons:
- 21 (1) who are career or professional offenders as defined
- by regulation of the commission;
- 23 (2) who have been convicted of a criminal offense under
- the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States, which
- is punishable by more than six months in prison, or any crime
- or offense involving moral turpitude; or
- 27 (3) whose presence in a licensed casino would, in the
- opinion of the commission, be inimical to the interest of the
- 29 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of licensed gaming therein,
- 30 or both.

- 1 The commission shall promulgate definitions establishing
- 2 those categories of persons who shall be excluded pursuant to
- 3 this section, including cheats and persons whose privileges for
- 4 licensure have been revoked.
- 5 (b) Race, color, creed, national origin or ancestry, or sex
- 6 shall not be a reason for placing the name of any person upon
- 7 such list.
- 8 (c) The commission may impose sanctions upon a licensed
- 9 casino or individual licensee in accordance with the provisions
- 10 of this act if such casino or individual licensee knowingly
- 11 fails to exclude or eject from the premises of any licensed
- 12 casino any person placed by the commission on the list of
- 13 persons to be excluded or ejected.
- 14 (d) Any list compiled by the commission of persons to be
- 15 excluded or ejected shall not be deemed an all inclusive list,
- 16 and licensed casino establishments shall have a duty to keep
- 17 from their premises persons known to them to be within the
- 18 classifications declared in subsection (a) and the regulations
- 19 promulgated thereunder.
- (e) Whenever the name or description of any person is placed
- 21 on a list pursuant to this section, the commission shall serve
- 22 notice of such fact to such person by personal service, by
- 23 certified mail at the last known address of such person, or by
- 24 publication daily for one week in a newspaper of general
- 25 circulation in the county wherein the last known address is
- 26 situate.
- 27 (f) Within 30 days after service by mail or in person or 60
- 28 days from the time of last publication, as the case may be, the
- 29 person named for exclusion or ejection may demand a hearing
- 30 before the commission and show cause why he should have his name

- 1 removed from such list. Failure to demand such a hearing within
- 2 the time allotted in this section shall preclude a person from
- 3 having an administrative hearing, but shall in no way affect his
- 4 right to judicial review as provided herein.
- 5 (g) Upon receipt of a demand for a hearing, the commission
- 6 shall set a time and place for such hearing. Unless otherwise
- 7 agreed by the commission and the named person, such hearing
- 8 shall not be later than 30 days after the receipt of a demand
- 9 for such hearing.
- 10 (h) If, upon completion of the hearing, the commission
- 11 determines that the regulation does not or should not apply to
- 12 the person so listed, the commission shall notify all casino
- 13 licensees of such determination.
- 14 (i) If, upon completion of a hearing, the commission
- 15 determines that the placement of the name of the person on the
- 16 exclusionary list was appropriate, the commission shall make and
- 17 enter an order to that effect. Such order shall be subject to
- 18 review by the Superior Court in accordance with law.
- 19 Section 310. Commission reports and recommendations.
- 20 The commission shall carry on a continuous study of the
- 21 operation and administration of casino control laws which may be
- 22 in effect in other jurisdictions, literature on this subject
- 23 which may from time to time become available, Federal laws which
- 24 may affect the operation of casino gaming in this State, and the
- 25 reaction of Pennsylvania citizens to existing and potential
- 26 features of casino gaming under this act. It shall be
- 27 responsible for ascertaining any defects in this act or in the
- 28 rules and regulations issued thereunder, formulating
- 29 recommendations for changes in this act to prevent abuses
- 30 thereof, guarding against the use of this act as a cloak for the

- 1 carrying on of illegal gambling or other criminal activities,
- 2 and insuring that this act and the rules and regulations shall
- 3 be in such form and be so administered as to serve the true
- 4 purposes of this act. The commission shall make to the Governor
- 5 and the General Assembly an annual report of all revenues,
- 6 expenses and disbursements, and shall include therein such
- 7 recommendations for changes in this act as the commission deems
- 8 necessary or desirable. The commission shall report immediately
- 9 to the Governor and the General Assembly any matters which in
- 10 its judgment require immediate changes in the laws of this
- 11 Commonwealth in order to prevent abuses and evasions of this act
- 12 or of rules and regulations promulgated hereunder, or to rectify
- 13 undesirable conditions in connection with the operation and
- 14 regulation of casino gaming.
- 15 Section 311. Meetings; quorum.
- 16 (a) Meetings of the commission will be held at the
- 17 discretion of the chairman at such times and places as he may
- 18 deem necessary and convenient, or at the call of three members
- 19 of the commission.
- 20 (b) The commission shall in all respects comply with the
- 21 provisions of the act of July 19, 1974 (P.L.486, No.175),
- 22 referred to as the Public Agency Open Meeting Law.
- 23 (c) A majority of the full commission shall determine any
- 24 action of the commission, except that no casino license may be
- 25 issued without the approval of four members. In the event that a
- 26 vacancy has existed on the commission for more than 60 days, a
- 27 majority of the full commission may act with respect to any
- 28 matter, including the issuance of a casino license.
- 29 Section 312. Minutes and records.
- 30 (a) The commission shall cause to be made and kept a

- 1 verbatim record of all proceedings held at public meetings of
- 2 the commission, which record shall be open to public inspection.
- 3 A true copy of the minutes of every meeting of the commission
- 4 and of any regulations finally adopted by the commission shall
- 5 be forthwith delivered, by and under the certification of the
- 6 executive secretary, to the Governor, the Clerk of the Senate,
- 7 and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.
- 8 (b) The commission shall keep and maintain a list of all
- 9 applicants for licenses under this act together with a record of
- 10 all actions taken with respect to such applicants, which file
- 11 and record shall be open to public inspection; provided,
- 12 however, that the foregoing information regarding any applicant
- 13 whose license has been denied, revoked, or not renewed shall be
- 14 removed from such list after five years from the date of such
- 15 action.
- 16 (c) The commission shall maintain such other files and
- 17 records as may be deemed desirable.
- 18 (d) Except as provided in subsection (h), all information
- 19 and data required by the commission to be furnished hereunder,
- 20 or which may otherwise be obtained, relative to the internal
- 21 controls specified in this act or to the earnings or revenue of
- 22 any applicant or licensee shall be considered to be confidential
- 23 and shall not be revealed in whole or in part except in the
- 24 course of the necessary administration of this act, or upon the
- 25 lawful order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or, with the
- 26 approval of the Attorney General, to a duly authorized law
- 27 enforcement agency.
- 28 (e) All information and data pertaining to an applicant's
- 29 criminal record, family, and background furnished to or obtained
- 30 by the commission from any source shall be considered

- 1 confidential and may be withheld in whole or in part, except
- 2 that any information shall be released upon the lawful order of
- 3 a court of competent jurisdiction or, with the approval of the
- 4 Attorney General, to a duly authorized law enforcement agency.
- 5 (f) Notice of the contents of any information or data
- 6 released, except to a duly authorized law enforcement agency
- 7 pursuant to subsections (d) or (e), may be given to any
- 8 applicant or licensee in a manner prescribed by the rules and
- 9 regulations adopted by the commission.
- 10 (g) Files, records, reports and other information in the
- 11 possession of the Commonwealth's bureaus or agencies pertaining
- 12 to licensees shall be made available to the commission and the
- 13 bureau as may be necessary to the effective administration of
- 14 this act.
- 15 (h) The following information to be reported periodically to
- 16 the commission shall not be considered confidential and shall be
- 17 made available for public inspection:
- 18 (1) A licensee's operating revenues and expenses from
- 19 all authorized games as herein defined.
- 20 (2) The dollar amounts of patron checks initially
- 21 accepted by a licensee, the dollar amount of patron checks
- deposited to the licensee's bank account, the dollar amount
- of such checks initially dishonored by the bank and returned
- to the licensee "as uncollected," and the dollar amount
- 25 ultimately uncollected after all reasonable efforts.
- 26 (3) The amount of gross revenue tax actually paid and
- 27 the amount of investment, if any, required and allowed,
- 28 pursuant to the provisions of this act.
- 29 (4) A list of the premises and the nature of
- improvements, costs thereof and the payees for all such

- 1 improvements, which were the subject of an investment
- 2 required and allowed pursuant to the provisions of this act.
- 3 (5) The amount, if any, of tax in lieu of full local
- 4 real property tax paid pursuant to the provisions of this act
- and the amount of profits, if any, recaptured pursuant to the
- 6 provisions of this act.
- 7 (6) A list of the premises, nature of improvements and
- 8 costs thereof which constitute the cumulative investments by
- 9 which a licensee has recaptured profits pursuant to the
- 10 provisions of this act.
- 11 (7) All information and data submitted to the commission
- relating to the licensee's annual revenues and expenditures,
- including annual audits.
- 14 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit access
- 15 by the public to those forms and documents required to be filed
- 16 pursuant to the provisions of this act.
- 17 Section 313. Powers not enumerated.
- 18 The commission may exercise any proper power or authority
- 19 necessary to perform the duties assigned to it by law, and no
- 20 specific enumeration of powers in this act shall be read to
- 21 limit the authority of the commission to administer this act.
- 22 CHAPTER 4
- 23 POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BUREAU OF GAMING ENFORCEMENT
- 24 Section 401. General duties and powers.
- 25 (a) The Bureau of Gaming Enforcement shall promptly and in
- 26 reasonable order investigate all applications, enforce the
- 27 provisions of this act and any regulations promulgated
- 28 hereunder, and prosecute before the commission all proceedings
- 29 for violations of this act or any regulations promulgated
- 30 hereunder. The bureau shall provide the commission with all

- 1 information necessary for all action under Chapter 5 of this act
- 2 and for all proceedings involving enforcement of the regulations
- 3 of this act or any regulations promulgated hereunder.
- 4 (b) The bureau shall:
- 5 (1) investigate the qualifications of each applicant
- 6 before any license, certificate or permit is issued pursuant
- 7 to the provisions of this act;
- 8 (2) investigate the circumstances surrounding any act or
- 9 transaction for which commission approval is required;
- 10 (3) investigate violations of this act and regulations
- 11 promulgated hereunder;
- 12 (4) initiate, prosecute and defend such proceedings
- 13 before the commission, or appeals therefrom, as the bureau
- may deem appropriate;
- 15 (5) provide assistance upon request by the commission in
- the consideration and promulgation of rules and regulations;
- 17 (6) conduct continuing reviews of casino operations
- 18 through on-site observation and other reasonable means to
- 19 assure compliance with this act and regulations promulgated
- 20 hereunder;
- 21 (7) conduct audits of casino operations, including
- 22 reviews of accounting, administrative and financial records,
- 23 and management control systems, procedures and records
- 24 utilized by a casino licensee; and
- 25 (8) be entitled to request information, materials and
- any other data from any licensee or registrant, or applicant
- for a license or registration under this act.
- 28 Section 402. Prosecution.
- 29 The bureau shall prosecute all criminal violations of this
- 30 act except those it may refer to the Attorney General. The

- 1 bureau and its employees and agents shall have such other law
- 2 enforcement powers as may be delegated to it by the Attorney
- 3 General to effectuate the purposes of this act.
- 4 Section 403. Cooperation by licensee or registrant.
- 5 Each licensee or registrant, or applicant for a license or
- 6 registration under this act shall cooperate with the bureau in
- 7 the performance of its duties.
- 8 Section 404. Inspection, seizure and warrants.
- 9 (a) The bureau and its employees and agents, upon approval
- 10 of the director, shall have the authority, without notice and
- 11 without warrant:
- 12 (1) to inspect and examine all premises wherein casino
- gaming is conducted; or gaming devices or equipment are
- manufactured, sold, distributed, or serviced; or wherein any
- records of such activities are prepared or maintained;
- 16 (2) to inspect all equipment and supplies, in, about,
- 17 upon or around such premises;
- 18 (3) to seize summarily and remove from such premises and
- 19 impound any such equipment or supplies for the purposes of
- 20 examination and inspection;
- 21 (4) to inspect, examine and audit all books, records,
- 22 and documents pertaining to a casino licensee's operation;
- 23 (5) to seize, impound or assume physical control of any
- book, record, ledger, game, device, cash box and its
- contents, counting room or its equipment, or casino
- operations; and
- 27 (6) to inspect the person and personal effects present
- in a casino facility licensed under this act, of any holder
- of a license issued pursuant to this act while that person is
- 30 present in a licensed casino facility.

- 1 (b) The provisions of subsection (a) shall in no way be
- 2 deemed to limit warrantless inspections except in accordance
- 3 with constitutional requirements.
- 4 (c) To effectuate further the purposes of this act, the
- 5 bureau and its employees and agents may obtain administrative
- 6 warrants for the inspection and seizure of any property
- 7 possessed, controlled, bailed or otherwise held by any
- 8 applicant, licensee, registrant, intermediary company, or
- 9 holding company.
- 10 (d) Issuance and execution of warrants for administrative
- 11 inspection shall be in accordance with the following:
- 12 (1) Any district justice having jurisdiction in the
- magisterial district where the inspection or seizure is to be
- conducted may, upon proper oath or affirmation showing
- probable cause, issue warrants for the purpose of conducting
- 16 administrative inspections authorized by this act or
- 17 regulations thereunder and seizures of property appropriate
- 18 to such inspections. For the purposes of this section,
- 19 "probable cause" means a valid public interest in the
- 20 effective enforcement of the act or regulations sufficient to
- 21 justify administrative inspection of the area, premises,
- 22 building or conveyance in the circumstances specified in the
- application for the warrant.
- 24 (2) A warrant shall issue only upon an affidavit of a
- 25 person duly designated and having knowledge of the facts
- alleged, sworn to before the district justice and
- 27 establishing the grounds for issuing the warrant. If the
- 28 district justice is satisfied that grounds for the
- application exist or that there is probable cause to believe
- 30 they exist, he shall issue a warrant identifying the area,

1 premises, building, or conveyance to be inspected; the

2 purpose of such inspection; and, where appropriate, the type

- of property to be inspected, if any. The warrant shall
- 4 identify the item or types of property to be seized, if any.
- 5 The warrant shall be directed to a person authorized to
- 6 execute it. The warrant shall state the grounds for its
- 7 issuance and the name of the person or persons whose
- 8 affidavit has been taken in support thereof. It shall command
- 9 the person to whom it is directed to inspect the area,
- 10 premises, building, or conveyance identified for the purpose
- 11 specified, and where appropriate, shall direct the seizure of
- the property specified. The warrant shall direct that it be
- 13 served during normal business hours of the licensee. It shall
- 14 designate the district justice to whom it shall be returned.
- 15 (3) A warrant issued pursuant to this section must be
- 16 executed and returned within ten days of its date. If
- 17 property is seized pursuant to a warrant, the person
- 18 executing the warrant shall give to the person from whom or
- 19 from whose premises the property was taken a copy of the
- 20 warrant and a receipt for the property taken or shall leave
- 21 the copy and receipt at the place from which the property was
- taken. The return of the warrant shall be made promptly and
- 23 shall be accompanied by a written inventory of any property
- taken. The inventory shall be made in the presence of the
- 25 person executing the warrant and of the person from whose
- 26 possession or premises the property was taken, if they are
- 27 present, or in the presence of at least one credible person
- other than the person executing the warrant. The district
- justice, upon request, shall deliver a copy of the inventory
- 30 to the person from whom or from whose premises the property

- 1 was taken and to the applicant for the warrant.
- 2 (4) The district justice who has issued a warrant under
- 3 this section shall attach to the warrant a copy of the return
- 4 and all papers filed in connection therewith and shall cause
- 5 them to be filed with the appropriate court of common pleas.
- 6 (e) The bureau is authorized to make administrative
- 7 inspections to check for compliance by any applicant, licensee,
- 8 registrant, intermediary company or holding company with the
- 9 provisions of this act or regulations promulgated thereunder,
- 10 and to investigate any violations thereof.
- 11 (f) This section shall not be construed to prevent entries
- 12 and administrative inspections, including seizures of property,
- 13 without a warrant:
- 14 (1) with the consent of the owner, operator or agent in
- charge of the controlled premises;
- 16 (2) in situations presenting imminent danger to health
- or safety;
- 18 (3) in situations involving inspection of conveyances
- 19 where there is reasonable cause to believe that the mobility
- of the conveyance makes it impracticable to obtain a warrant
- or in any other exceptional or emergency circumstance where
- time or opportunity to apply for a warrant is lacking;
- 23 (4) in accordance with the provisions of this act; or
- 24 (5) in all other situations where a warrant is not
- 25 constitutionally required.
- 26 CHAPTER 5
- 27 LICENSING
- 28 Section 501. General provisions.
- 29 (a) It shall be the affirmative responsibility of each
- 30 applicant and licensee to establish by clear and convincing

- 1 evidence his individual qualifications, and for a casino license
- 2 the qualifications of each person who is required to be
- 3 qualified under this act as well as the qualifications of the
- 4 facility in which the casino is to be located.
- 5 (b) Any applicant, licensee or any other person who must be
- 6 qualified pursuant to this act shall provide all information
- 7 required by this act and satisfy all requests for information
- 8 pertaining to qualification and in the form specified by the
- 9 commission. All applicants and licensees shall waive liability
- 10 as to the Commonwealth, and its instrumentalities and agents,
- 11 for any damages resulting from lawful or unintentional
- 12 disclosure or publication in any manner of any material or
- 13 information acquired during inquiries, investigations or
- 14 hearings.
- 15 (c) All applicants, licensees, registrants, intermediary
- 16 companies, and holding companies shall consent to inspections,
- 17 searches and seizures and the supplying of handwriting exemplars
- 18 as authorized by this act and regulations promulgated hereunder.
- 19 (d) All applicants, licensees, registrants, and any other
- 20 person who shall be qualified pursuant to this act shall have
- 21 the continuing duty to provide any assistance or information
- 22 required by the commission or division, and to cooperate in any
- 23 inquiry or investigation conducted by the bureau and any
- 24 inquiry, investigation, or hearing conducted by the commission.
- 25 If, upon issuance of a formal request to answer or produce
- 26 information, evidence or testimony, any applicant, licensee,
- 27 registrant, or any other person who shall be qualified pursuant
- 28 to this act refuses to comply, the application, license,
- 29 registration or qualification of such person may be denied or
- 30 revoked by the commission.

- 1 (e) No applicant or licensee shall give or provide, offer to
- 2 give or provide, directly or indirectly, any compensation or
- 3 reward or any percentage or share of the money or property
- 4 played or received through gaming activities, except as
- 5 authorized by this act, in consideration for obtaining any
- 6 license, authorization, permission or privilege to participate
- 7 in any way in gaming operations.
- 8 (f) Each applicant or person who must be qualified under
- 9 this act shall be photographed and fingerprinted for
- 10 identification and investigation purposes in accordance with
- 11 procedures established by the commission.
- 12 Section 502. Statement of compliance.
- 13 (a) The commission may issue a statement of compliance to an
- 14 applicant for any license under this act at any time the
- 15 commission is satisfied that one or more particular eligibility
- 16 criteria have been satisfied by an applicant.
- 17 (b) Such statement shall specify the eligibility criterion
- 18 satisfied, the date of such satisfaction and a reservation to
- 19 the commission to revoke the statement of compliance at any time
- 20 based upon a change of circumstances affecting such compliance.
- 21 (c) A statement of compliance certifying satisfaction of all
- 22 of the requirements of this act with respect to a specific
- 23 casino hotel proposal submitted by an eligible applicant may be
- 24 accompanied by a written commitment from the commission that a
- 25 casino license shall be reserved for a period not to exceed 18
- 26 months and shall be issued to such eligible applicant with
- 27 respect to such proposal provided that such applicant:
- 28 (1) complies in all respects with the provisions of this
- 29 act;
- 30 (2) qualifies for a casino license within a period not

- 1 to exceed 18 months of the date of such commitment; and
- 2 (3) complies with such other conditions as the
- 3 commission shall impose.
- 4 The commission may revoke such reservation at any time it finds
- 5 that the applicant is disqualified from receiving or holding a
- 6 casino license or has failed to comply with any conditions
- 7 imposed by the commission. Such reservation shall be
- 8 automatically revoked if the applicant does not qualify for a
- 9 casino license within the period of such commitment.
- 10 Section 503. Casino license; applicant eligibility.
- 11 (a) No casino shall operate unless all necessary licenses
- 12 and approvals therefor have been obtained in accordance with
- 13 law.
- 14 (b) Any person shall be eligible to apply for a casino
- 15 license if he agrees to comply in all respects with this act and
- 16 the regulations promulgated hereunder and if he:
- 17 (1) owns 100% of an approved hotel as herein defined;
- 18 (2) leases 100% of an approved hotel in accordance with
- 19 the provisions of this act;
- 20 (3) owns or has a contract to purchase or construct a
- 21 hotel, or leases or has an agreement to lease in accordance
- 22 with the provisions of this act 100% of a hotel, which, in
- the judgment of the commission, can become an approved hotel
- 24 within 18 months; or
- 25 (4) has a written agreement with a casino licensee or
- 26 with an eligible applicant for a casino license, for the
- 27 complete management of a casino in accordance with the
- provisions of this act, and owns 100% of or controls any
- approved hotel, including the approved hotel which is the
- 30 subject of the management agreement. For purposes of this

- 1 subsection, control of an approved hotel shall mean the
- 2 ownership of at least 10% of all outstanding equity
- 3 securities of a casino licensee or of an eligible applicant
- 4 for a casino license, and the sole and unrestricted power to
- 5 direct the operations of such casino licensee or eligible
- 6 applicant.
- 7 (c) No casino license shall be issued to any person leasing
- 8 a hotel pursuant to the provisions of this act unless a separate
- 9 casino license has first been issued to the owner of the casino
- 10 hotel facility which is the subject of such lease.
- 11 (d) No corporation shall be eligible to apply for a casino
- 12 license unless the corporation shall:
- 13 (1) be incorporated in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
- 14 although such corporation may be a wholly or partially owned
- 15 subsidiary of a corporation which is chartered in another
- 16 state of the United States;
- 17 (2) maintain an office of the corporation in the
- 18 premises licensed or to be licensed;
- 19 (3) comply with all the requirements of the laws of the
- 20 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pertaining to corporations;
- 21 (4) maintain a ledger in the principal office of the
- 22 corporation in the Commonwealth which shall at all times
- 23 reflect the current ownership of every class of security
- issued by the corporation and shall be available for
- inspection by the commission or the bureau and authorized
- agents of the commission and the bureau at all reasonable
- 27 times without notice;
- 28 (5) maintain all operating accounts required by the
- commission in a bank in the Commonwealth;
- 30 (6) include among the purposes stated in its articles of

incorporation the conduct of casino gaming;

- 2 (7) if it is not a publicly traded corporation, file
- 3 with the commission such adopted corporate charter or bylaws
- 4 provisions as may be necessary to establish the right of the
- 5 commission to approve future transfers of corporate
- 6 securities, shares, and other interests in the applicant
- 7 corporation and in any holding company, intermediary company,
- 8 or subsidiary thereof; and, if it is a publicly traded
- 9 corporation, said corporation shall provide in its corporate
- 10 charter or bylaws that any securities of such corporation are
- 11 held subject to the condition that if a holder thereof is
- found to be disqualified by the commission pursuant to the
- provisions of this act, such holder shall dispose of his
- 14 security interest in the corporation; provided, however, that
- nothing herein shall be deemed to require that any security
- of such corporation bear any legend to this effect; and
- 17 (8) if it is not a publicly traded corporation,
- 18 established to the satisfaction of the commission that
- 19 appropriate charter or bylaws provisions create the absolute
- 20 right of such corporations and companies to repurchase at the
- 21 market price or the purchase price, whichever is the lesser,
- any security, share or other interest in the corporation in
- 23 the event that the commission disapproves a transfer in
- 24 accordance with the provisions of this act.
- 25 (e) No person shall be issued or be the holder of more than
- 26 three casino licenses. For the purpose of this subsection a
- 27 person shall be considered the holder of a casino license if
- 28 such license is issued to such person or if such license is held
- 29 by any holding, intermediary or subsidiary company thereof, or
- 30 by any officer, director, casino key employee or principal

- 1 employee of such person, or of any holding, intermediary or
- 2 subsidiary company thereof.
- 3 Section 504. Approved hotel.
- 4 An approved hotel for purposes of this act shall be a hotel
- 5 providing facilities in accordance with this section. Nothing in
- 6 this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the
- 7 commission to determine the suitability of facilities as
- 8 provided in this act, and nothing in this section shall be
- 9 construed to require a casino to be larger than the minimum size
- 10 or smaller than the maximum size herein provided. An approved
- 11 hotel shall, in accordance with the following table:
- 12 (1) contain the minimum number of sleeping units as
- 13 hereinbefore defined;
- 14 (2) contain the minimum amount of meeting and exhibition
- space, consisting of indoor public space available and of the
- sort regularly used for conventions, exhibits, meetings,
- 17 banquets and similar functions, but not including space
- 18 regularly used as restaurants, lobbies, lounges, bars, show
- 19 theaters, sports facilities, casinos, or parking areas;
- 20 (3) contain the minimum amount of indoor space used for
- 21 dining, entertainment, and sports facilities, including
- 22 restaurants, bars, lounges, show theaters, shops, dance
- 23 halls, and swimming facilities but excluding lobbies,
- casinos, parking areas and tennis facilities. For purposes of
- 25 this subsection, only the actual swimming pool and a 25-foot
- area on all sides thereof shall be eligible for inclusion in
- 27 the allowable indoor sports space; and
- 28 (4) contain a casino room as hereinbefore defined, in
- 29 accordance with the relative size of room, meeting and
- 30 exhibition, and indoor dining, entertainment and sports space

- 1 as provided in the following chart, but, except as
- 2 hereinafter provided, in no event may a casino room exceed
- 3 the maximum square footage stated:

4	Meeting	Dining,	entertainment

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5		space	and indoor sports	Casino space
6	No. of rooms	Sq. Ft.	Sq. Ft.	Sq. Ft.
7		Minimum	Minimum	Maximum
8	100	2,000	4,000	4,000
9	150	2,500	5,000	5,000
10	200	3,000	6,000	6,000
11	250	3,500	7,000	7,000
12	300	4,000	8,000	8,000
13	350	4,500	9,000	9,000
14	400	5,000	10,000	10,000

- 15 If a licensed facility shall provide more meeting space and
- 16 dining, entertainment, and indoor sports space than is required
- 17 by subsection (d), the maximum allowable casino space may be
- 18 increased by a figure representing one-half of the amount of
- 19 such excess meeting space and excess dining and kitchen support
- 20 facilities, entertainment, and indoor sports space; provided,
- 21 however, that at least 25% of the total of such excess space
- 22 shall be either meeting space or dining and kitchen support
- 23 facilities, entertainment, and indoor sports space; and provided
- 24 further, however, that the total of the increased allowable
- 25 casino space shall not exceed a figure representing the original
- 26 maximum casino size.
- 27 Section 505. Casino license; applicant requirements.
- 28 Any applicant for a casino license must produce information,
- 29 documentation and assurances concerning the following
- 30 qualification criteria:

1 (1) Each applicant shall produce such information,

2 documentation and assurances concerning financial background

and resources as may be required to establish by clear and

4 convincing evidence the financial stability, integrity and

5 responsibility of the applicant, including but not limited to

6 bank references, business and personal income and

disbursement schedules, tax returns and other reports filed

8 with governmental agencies, and business and personal

9 accounting and check records and ledgers. In addition, each

applicant shall, in writing, authorize the examination of all

bank accounts and records as may be deemed necessary by the

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- (2) Each applicant shall produce such information, assurances as may be necessary to establish by clear and convincing evidence the integrity and reputation of all financial backers, investors, mortgagees, bond holders, and holders of indentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, either in effect or proposed, which bears any relation to the casino proposal submitted by the applicant or applicants. The reputation and integrity of financial sources shall be judged upon the same standards as the applicant. In addition, the applicant shall produce whatever information, documentation or assurance may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence the adequacy of financial resources both as to the completion of the casino proposal and the operation of the casino.
- (3) Each applicant shall produce such information, documentation and assurances of good character as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence the applicant's good reputation for honesty and integrity. Such

information shall include, without limitation, information 1 2 pertaining to family, habits, character, criminal and arrest 3 record, business activities, financial affairs, and business, 4 professional and personal associates, covering at least the 5 ten-year period immediately preceding the filing of the application. Each applicant shall notify the commission of 6 7 any civil judgments obtained against any such applicant 8 pertaining to antitrust or security regulation laws of the 9 Federal Government, of this Commonwealth or of any other 10 state, jurisdiction, province or country. In addition, each 11 applicant shall produce letters of reference from law 12 enforcement agencies having jurisdiction in the applicant's 13 place of residence and principal place of business, which letters of reference shall indicate that such law enforcement 14 15 agencies do not have any pertinent information concerning the 16 applicant, or if such law enforcement agency does have 17 information pertaining to the applicant, shall specify what 18 that information is. If the applicant has conducted gaming 19 operations in a jurisdiction which permits such activity, the 20 applicant shall produce letters of reference from the gaming 21 or casino enforcement or control agency which shall specify 22 the experiences of such agency with the applicant, his 23 associates, and his gaming operation; provided, however, that 24 if no such letters are received within 60 days of request 25 therefor, the applicant may submit a statement under oath 26 that he is or was during the period such activities were 27 conducted in good standing with such gaming or casino 28 enforcement or control agency.

documentation and assurances as may be required to establish

Each applicant shall produce such information,

- 1 by clear and convincing evidence that the applicant has
- 2 sufficient business ability and casino experience as to
- 3 establish the likelihood of creation and maintenance of a
- 4 successful, efficient casino operation. The applicant shall
- 5 produce the names of all proposed casino key employees as
- 6 they become known and a description of their respective or
- 7 proposed responsibilities, and a full description of security
- 8 systems and management controls proposed for the casino and
- 9 related facilities.
- 10 (5) Each applicant shall produce such information,
- documentation and assurances to establish to the satisfaction
- of the commission the suitability of the casino and related
- facilities and its proposed location, and that the proposal
- will not adversely affect casino operations or overall
- environmental conditions. A market impact study which
- 16 analyzes the adequacy of the patron market and the effect of
- the proposal on such market and on the existing casino
- 18 facilities licensed under this act shall be submitted by each
- 19 applicant. An analysis of the effect of the proposal on the
- overall environment, including, without limitation, economic,
- 21 social, demographic and competitive conditions shall also be
- 22 submitted by each applicant.
- 23 Section 506. Additional requirements.
- 24 (a) In addition to other information required by this act, a
- 25 corporation applying for a casino license shall provide the
- 26 following information:
- 27 (1) the organization, financial structure and nature of
- all businesses operated by the corporation and its holding,
- intermediary and subsidiary companies, including names and
- 30 personal employment and criminal histories of all officers,

- directors and principal employees of all such corporations
- 2 and companies;
- 3 (2) the rights and privileges acquired by the holders of
- 4 different classes of authorized securities of all such
- 5 corporations and companies, including the names, addresses
- and amounts held by all holders of such securities;
- 7 (3) the terms upon which securities have been or are to
- 8 be offered;
- 9 (4) the terms and conditions of all outstanding loans,
- 10 mortgages, trust deeds, pledges or any other indebtedness or
- 11 security devices utilized by the corporation;
- 12 (5) the extent of the equity security holding in the
- corporation of all officers, directors and underwriters, and
- their remuneration in the form of salary, wages, fees or
- 15 otherwise;
- 16 (6) names of persons other than directors and officers
- whose compensation exceeds \$25,000 per annum, and amounts
- 18 thereof;
- 19 (7) a description of all bonus and profit sharing
- 20 arrangements;
- 21 (8) copies of all management and service contracts; and
- 22 (9) a listing of stock options existing or to be
- 23 created.
- 24 (b) If a corporation applying for a casino license is, or if
- 25 a corporation holding a casino license is to become, a
- 26 subsidiary, each holding company and each intermediary company
- 27 with respect thereto must, as a condition of acquiring or
- 28 retaining such license, as the case may be:
- 29 (1) qualify to do business in the Commonwealth of
- 30 Pennsylvania; and

- 1 (2) if it is a corporation, register with the commission
- 2 and furnish the commission with all the information required
- of a corporate licensee as specified in subsection (a); or
- 4 (3) if it is not a corporation, register with the
- 5 commission and furnish the commission with such information
- 6 as the commission may prescribe. The commission may, in its
- discretion, make such investigations concerning the officers,
- 8 directors, underwriters, security holders, partners,
- 9 principals, trustees or persons owning or beneficially
- 10 holding any interest in any holding company or intermediary
- 11 company as it deems necessary, either at the time of initial
- 12 registration or at any time thereafter.
- 13 (c) Any noncorporate applicant for a casino license shall
- 14 provide the information required in subsection (a) in such form
- 15 as may be required by the commission or the division. No such
- 16 applicant shall be eligible to hold a casino license unless each
- 17 person who directly or indirectly holds any beneficial interest
- 18 or ownership in the applicant, or who in the opinion of the
- 19 commission has the ability to control the applicant, or whom the
- 20 commission may consider appropriate for approval or
- 21 qualification, would, but for residence, individually be
- 22 qualified for approval as a casino key employee pursuant to the
- 23 provisions of this act.
- 24 Section 507. Casino license; disqualification criteria.
- 25 The commission shall deny a casino license to any applicant
- 26 who is disqualified on the basis of any of the following
- 27 criteria:
- 28 (1) Failure of the applicant to prove by clear and
- 29 convincing evidence that the applicant is qualified in
- accordance with the provisions of this act.

- 1 (2) Failure of the applicant to provide information,
 2 documentation and assurances required by the act or requested
 3 by the commission, or failure of the applicant to reveal any
 4 fact material to qualification, or the supplying of
 5 information which is untrue or misleading as to a material
 6 fact pertaining to the qualification criteria.
 - (3) The conviction of the applicant or of any person required to be qualified under this act as a condition of any offense in any jurisdiction which would be under Pennsylvania law at the time of application a capital offense, a felony, a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude or any other offense which indicates that licensure of the applicant would be inimical to the policy of this act and to casino operations.
 - (4) Current prosecution or pending charges in any jurisdiction of the applicant or of any person who is required to be qualified under this act as a condition of a casino license, for any of the offenses enumerated in subsection (c); provided, however, that at the request of the applicant or the person charged, the commission shall defer decision upon such application during the pendency of such charge.
 - (5) The pursuit by the applicant or any person who is required to be qualified under this act as a condition of a casino license of economic gain in an occupational manner or context which is in violation of the criminal or civil public policies of this Commonwealth, if such pursuit creates a reasonable belief that the participation of such person in casino operations would be inimical to the policies of this act or to legalized gaming in this Commonwealth. For purposes of this section, occupational manner or context shall be

- defined as the systematic planning, administration,
- 2 management, or execution of an activity for financial gain.
- 3 (6) The identification of the applicant or any person
- 4 who is required to be qualified under this act as a condition
- 5 of a casino license as a career offender or a member of a
- 6 career offender cartel or an associate of a career offender
- 7 or career offender cartel in such a manner which creates a
- 8 reasonable belief that the association is of such a nature as
- 9 to be inimical to the policy of this act and to gaming
- 10 operations. For purposes of this section, career offender
- shall be defined as any person whose behavior is pursued in
- an occupational manner or context for the purpose of economic
- gain, utilizing such methods as are deemed criminal
- 14 violations of the public policy of this Commonwealth. A
- career offender cartel shall be defined as any group of
- persons who operate together as career offenders.
- 17 (7) The commission by the applicant or any person who is
- 18 required to be qualified under this act as a condition of a
- 19 casino license of any act or acts which would constitute any
- offense under subsection (c), even if such conduct has not or
- 21 may not be prosecuted under the criminal laws of this
- 22 Commonwealth.
- 23 (8) Contumacious defiance by the applicant or any person
- 24 who is required to be qualified under this act of any
- legislative investigatory body or other official
- 26 investigatory body of this Commonwealth or of the United
- 27 States when such body is engaged in the investigation of
- 28 crimes relating to gaming, official corruption, or organized
- 29 crime activity.
- 30 Section 508. Investigation of applicants; order approving or

- denying license.
- 2 (a) Upon the filing of an application and such supplemental
- 3 information as the commission may require, the commission shall
- 4 request the bureau to conduct such investigation into the
- 5 qualification of the applicant, and the commission shall conduct
- 6 such hearings concerning the qualification of the applicant in
- 7 accordance with its regulations as may be necessary to determine
- 8 qualifications for casino license.
- 9 (b) After such investigation, the commission may either deny
- 10 the application or grant a casino license to an applicant whom
- 11 it determines to be qualified to hold such license.
- 12 (c) The commission shall have the authority to deny any
- 13 application pursuant to the provisions of this act. When an
- 14 application is denied, the commission shall prepare and file an
- 15 order denying such application with the general reasons
- 16 therefor, and if requested by the applicant, shall further
- 17 prepare and file a statement of the reasons for the denial,
- 18 including the specific findings of facts.
- 19 (d) After an application is submitted to the commission,
- 20 final action of the commission shall be taken within 90 days
- 21 after completion of all hearings and investigations and the
- 22 receipt of all information required by the commission.
- 23 (e) If satisfied that an applicant is qualified to receive a
- 24 casino license, and upon tender of all license fees and taxes as
- 25 required by law and regulations of the commission, and such
- 26 bonds as the commission may require for the faithful performance
- 27 of all requirements imposed by law or regulations, the
- 28 commission shall issue a casino license for the term of one
- 29 year.
- 30 (f) The commission shall fix the amount of the bond or bonds

- 1 to be required under this section in such amounts as it may deem
- 2 appropriate, by rules of uniform application. The bond so
- 3 furnished may be applied by the commission to the payment of any
- 4 unpaid liability of the licensee under this act. The bond shall
- 5 be furnished in cash or negotiable securities, by a surety bond
- 6 guaranteed by a satisfactory guarantor, or by an irrevocable
- 7 letter of credit issued by a banking institution of the
- 8 Commonwealth acceptable to the commission. If furnished in cash
- 9 or negotiable securities, the principal shall be placed without
- 10 restriction at the disposal of the commission, but any income
- 11 shall inure to the benefit of the licensee.
- 12 (g) No more than one casino license may be issued with
- 13 respect to any approved hotel, except that in the case of any
- 14 lease agreement or management contract approved in accordance
- 15 with the provisions of this act, each party to such agreement or
- 16 contract may be issued a casino license.
- 17 Section 509. Renewal of casino licenses.
- 18 (a) Subject to the power of the commission to deny, revoke,
- 19 or suspend licenses, any casino license in force shall be
- 20 renewed by the commission for the next succeeding license period
- 21 upon proper application for renewal and payment of license fees
- 22 and taxes as required by law and the regulations of the
- 23 commission. The commission shall act upon any such application
- 24 no later than 30 days prior to the date of expiration of the
- 25 current license.
- 26 (b) Application for renewal shall be filed with the
- 27 commission no later than 90 days prior to the expiration of the
- 28 current license, and all license fees and taxes as required by
- 29 law shall be paid to the commission on or before the date of
- 30 expiration of the current license.

- 1 (c) Upon renewal of any license the commission shall issue
- 2 an appropriate renewal certificate or validating device or
- 3 sticker which shall be attached to each casino license.
- 4 Section 510. Licensing of casino key employees.
- 5 (a) No person may be employed as a casino key employee
- 6 unless he is the holder of a valid casino key employee license
- 7 issued by the commission.
- 8 (b) Each applicant must, prior to the issuance of any casino
- 9 key employee license, produce information, documentation and
- 10 assurances concerning the following qualification criteria:
- 11 (1) Each applicant for a casino key employee license
- shall produce such information, documentation and assurances
- as may be required to establish by clear and convincing
- evidence the financial stability, integrity and
- responsibility of the applicant, including but not limited to
- bank references, business and personal income and
- disbursement schedules, tax returns and other reports filed
- with governmental agencies, and business and personal
- 19 accounting and check records and ledgers. In addition, each
- 20 applicant shall, in writing, authorize the examination of all
- 21 bank accounts and records as may be deemed necessary by the
- 22 commission or the division.
- 23 (2) Each applicant for a casino key employee license
- 24 shall produce such information, documentation and assurances
- as may be required to establish by clear and convincing
- 26 evidence the applicant's reputation for good character,
- 27 honesty and integrity. Such information shall include,
- without limitation, data pertaining to family, habits,
- 29 character, criminal and arrest record, business activities,
- financial affairs, and business, professional and personal

1 associates, covering at least the ten-year period immediately 2 preceding the filing of the application. Each applicant shall 3 notify the commission of any civil judgments obtained against 4 such applicant pertaining to antitrust or security regulation 5 laws of the Federal Government, of this Commonwealth or of any state, jurisdiction, province or country. In addition, 6 7 each applicant shall produce letters of reference from law 8 enforcement agencies having jurisdiction in the applicant's 9 place of residence and principal place of business, which letters of reference shall indicate that such law enforcement 10 11 agencies do not have any pertinent information concerning the 12 applicant, or if such law enforcement agency does have 13 information pertaining to the applicant, shall specify what that information is. If the applicant has been associated 14 15 with gaming or casino operations in any capacity, position or 16 employment in a jurisdiction which permits such activity, the 17 applicant shall produce letters of reference from the gaming 18 or casino enforcement or control agency which shall specify 19 the experiences of such agency with the applicant, his 20 associates and his participation in the gaming operations of that jurisdiction; provided, however, that if no such letters 21 22 are received within 60 days of request therefor, the 23 applicant may submit a statement under oath that he is or was 24 during the period such activities were conducted in good 25 standing with such gaming or casino enforcement or control 26 agency.

(3) Each applicant shall produce such information, documentation and assurances as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence that the applicant has sufficient business ability and casino experience as to

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- 1 establish the reasonable likelihood of success and efficiency
- 2 in the particular position involved.
- 3 (4) Each applicant shall be a resident of the
- 4 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prior to the issuance of a
- 5 casino key employee license.
- 6 (c) The commission shall endorse upon any license issued
- 7 hereunder the particular positions as defined by this act or by
- 8 regulation which the licensee is qualified to hold.
- 9 (d) The commission shall deny a casino key employee license
- 10 to any applicant who is disqualified on the basis of the
- 11 criteria contained in this chapter.
- 12 Section 511. Licensing of casino employees.
- 13 (a) No person may commence employment as a casino employee
- 14 unless he is the holder of a valid casino employee license
- 15 issued by the commission.
- 16 (b) Any applicant for a casino employee license must, prior
- 17 to the issuance of any such license, produce sufficient
- 18 information, documentation and assurances to meet the
- 19 qualification criteria, including Pennsylvania residency,
- 20 contained in section 510(b); except that the standards for
- 21 business ability and casino experience may be satisfied by a
- 22 showing of casino job experience and knowledge of the provisions
- 23 of this act and regulations pertaining to the particular
- 24 position involved, or by successful completion of a course of
- 25 study at a licensed school in an approved curriculum.
- 26 (c) The commission shall endorse upon any license issued
- 27 hereunder the particular positions as defined by regulation
- 28 which the licensee is qualified to hold.
- 29 (d) The commission shall deny a casino employee license to
- 30 any applicant who is disqualified on the basis of the criteria

- 1 contained in this chapter.
- 2 (e) For purposes of this section, casino security employees
- 3 shall be considered casino employees and must, in addition to
- 4 any requirements under other laws, be licensed in accordance
- 5 with the provisions of this act.
- 6 Section 512. Casino hotel employee licenses.
- 7 (a) No person may commence employment as a casino hotel
- 8 employee unless he is the holder of a valid casino hotel
- 9 employee license issued by the chairman.
- 10 (b) Any applicant for a casino hotel employee license must,
- 11 prior to the issuance of any such license, produce sufficient
- 12 information, documentation and assurances to meet the
- 13 qualification criteria, including Pennsylvania residency,
- 14 contained in section 510(b)(1), (b)(2) and (b)(4). No casino
- 15 hotel employee license shall be issued to any person
- 16 disqualified on the basis of the criteria contained in this
- 17 chapter.
- 18 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b), no
- 19 applicant shall be denied a casino hotel employee license on the
- 20 basis of a conviction of any of the offenses enumerated in this
- 21 act as disqualification criteria, provided that the applicant
- 22 has demonstrated his rehabilitation or can produce a certificate
- 23 of rehabilitation, or that the offense for which the applicant
- 24 has been convicted is not reasonably related to the duties for
- 25 which the applicant will be employed in the casino hotel.
- 26 (d) The commission may waive any disqualification criterion
- 27 for a casino hotel employee consistent with the public policy of
- 28 this act and upon a finding that the interests of justice so
- 29 require.
- 30 (e) A temporary license of five days duration may be issued

- 1 by the chairman if in his judgment the issuance of a permanent
- 2 license will be restricted by necessary investigations and said
- 3 temporary licensing of the applicant is necessary for the
- 4 continuing operations of the hotel.
- 5 Section 513. Licensing and registration of casino service
- 6 industries.
- 7 (a) All casino service industries offering goods or services
- 8 on a regular basis which directly relate to casino or gaming
- 9 activity, including gaming equipment manufacturers, suppliers
- 10 and repairers, schools teaching gaming and either playing or
- 11 dealing techniques, and casino security services, shall be
- 12 licensed in accordance with the provisions of this act prior to
- 13 conducting any business whatsoever with a casino licensee, its
- 14 employees or agents, and in the case of a school, prior to
- 15 enrollment of any students or offering of any courses to the
- 16 public whether for compensation or not.
- 17 (b) Each casino service industry in subsection (a), as well
- 18 as its owners, management and supervisory personnel and other
- 19 principal employees must qualify under the standards, except
- 20 residency, established for qualification of a casino key
- 21 employee under this act. In addition, if the business or
- 22 enterprise is a school teaching gaming and either playing or
- 23 dealing techniques, each employee of such school must qualify
- 24 under the standards established for qualification of a casino
- 25 employee under this act; provided, however, that nothing in this
- 26 subsection shall be deemed to require, in the case of a public
- 27 school district or a public institution of higher education, the
- 28 licensure or qualification of any individuals except those
- 29 instructors and other principal employees responsible for the
- 30 teaching of playing or dealing techniques.

- 1 (c) All casino service industries not included in subsection
- 2 (a) shall be licensed in accordance with rules of the commission
- 3 prior to commencement or continuation of any business with a
- 4 casino licensee or its agents. Such casino service industries,
- 5 whether or not directly related to gaming operations, shall
- 6 include suppliers of alcoholic beverages, food and nonalcoholic
- 7 beverages; garbage handlers; vending machine providers; linen
- 8 suppliers; maintenance companies; shopkeepers located within the
- 9 approved hotel; and limousine services contracting with casino
- 10 licensees. The commission may exempt any person or field of
- 11 commerce from the licensing requirements of this subsection if
- 12 it finds that such person or field of commerce is regulated by a
- 13 public agency and that licensure is not necessary to protect the
- 14 public interest or to accomplish the policies established by
- 15 this act.
- 16 (d) Licensure pursuant to subsection (c) of any casino
- 17 service industry may be denied to any applicant disqualified in
- 18 accordance with the criteria contained in this chapter.
- 19 Section 514. Registration of labor organizations.
- 20 (a) Each labor organization, union or affiliate seeking to
- 21 represent employees licensed under this act and employed by a
- 22 casino hotel or a casino licensee shall register with the
- 23 commission annually, and shall disclose such information to the
- 24 commission as the commission may require, including the names of
- 25 all affiliated organizations, pension and welfare systems and
- 26 all officers and agents of such organizations and systems;
- 27 provided, however, that no labor organization, union, or
- 28 affiliate shall be required to furnish such information to the
- 29 extent such information is included in a report filed by any
- 30 labor organization, union, or affiliate with the Secretary of

- 1 Labor pursuant to 29 U.S.C. §§ 431 et seq. (relating to
- 2 reporting by labor organizations, officers and employees of
- 3 labor organizations, and employers) or 1001 et seq. (relating to
- 4 protection of employee benefit rights) if a copy of such report,
- 5 or of the portion thereof containing such information, is
- 6 furnished to the commission pursuant to the aforesaid Federal
- 7 provisions. The commission may in its discretion exempt any
- 8 labor organization, union, or affiliate from the registration
- 9 requirements of this subsection where the commission finds that
- 10 such organization, union or affiliate is not the certified
- 11 bargaining representative of any employee licensed under this
- 12 act, is not involved actively, directly or substantially in the
- 13 control or direction of the representation of any such employee,
- 14 and is not seeking to do so.
- 15 (b) No labor organization, union or affiliate registered or
- 16 required to be registered pursuant to this section and
- 17 representing or seeking to represent employees licensed under
- 18 this act may receive any dues from any employee licensed under
- 19 this act and employed by a casino licensee or its agent, or
- 20 administer any pension or welfare funds, if any officer, agent,
- 21 or principal employee of the labor organization, union or
- 22 affiliate is disqualified in accordance with the criteria
- 23 contained in this chapter. The commission may for the purposes
- 24 of this subsection waive any disqualification criterion
- 25 consistent with the public policy of this act and upon a finding
- 26 that the interests of justice so require.
- 27 (c) Neither a labor organization, union or affiliate nor its
- 28 officers and agents not otherwise individually licensed under
- 29 this act and employed by a casino licensee may hold any
- 30 financial interest whatsoever in the casino hotel or casino

- 1 licensee whose employees they represent.
- 2 Section 515. Approval and denial of registrations and licenses
- other than casino licenses.
- 4 (a) Upon the filing of an application for any license or
- 5 registration required by this act other than a casino license,
- 6 and after submission of such supplemental information as the
- 7 commission may require, the commission shall request the bureau
- 8 to conduct such investigation into the qualification of the
- 9 applicant, and the commission shall conduct such hearings
- 10 concerning the qualification of the applicant in accordance with
- 11 its regulations as may be necessary to determine qualification
- 12 for such license or registration.
- 13 (b) After such investigation, the commission may either deny
- 14 the application or grant a license to or accept the registration
- 15 of an applicant whom it determines to be qualified to hold such
- 16 license or registration. Notwithstanding the above, the chairman
- 17 may grant a casino hotel employee license upon application
- 18 therefor; if said application is denied, the applicant may
- 19 appeal to the commission in the normal course.
- 20 (c) The commission shall have the authority to deny any
- 21 application pursuant to the provisions of this act. When an
- 22 application is denied, the commission shall prepare and file its
- 23 order denying such application with the general reasons
- 24 therefor, and if requested by the applicant, shall further
- 25 prepare and file a statement of the reasons for the denial,
- 26 including the specific findings of facts.
- 27 (d) When the commission grants an application, the
- 28 commission may limit or place such restrictions thereupon as it
- 29 may deem necessary in the public interest. Licenses shall be
- 30 granted and registrations approved for a term of one year.

- 1 (e) After an application is submitted to the commission,
- 2 final action of the commission shall be taken within 90 days
- 3 after completion of all hearings and investigations and the
- 4 receipt of all information required by the commission.
- 5 Section 516. Renewal of licenses and registrations.
- 6 Subject to the power of the commission to deny, revoke or
- 7 suspend any license or registration, any license other than a
- 8 casino license or any registration may be renewed upon proper
- 9 application for renewal no later than 90 days prior to the
- 10 expiration of the current license or registration, and the
- 11 payment of fees as provided by law on or before the date of
- 12 expiration of the current license or registration. The
- 13 commission shall act upon such application for renewal no later
- 14 than 30 days prior to the date of expiration of the current
- 15 license or registration.
- 16 CHAPTER 6
- 17 CONDITIONS OF OPERATION
- 18 Section 601. Operation certificate.
- 19 (a) Notwithstanding the issuance of a license therefor, no
- 20 casino may be opened or remain open to the public, and no gaming
- 21 activity, except for test purposes, may be conducted therein,
- 22 unless and until a valid operation certificate has been issued
- 23 to the casino licensee by the commission. Such certificate shall
- 24 be issued by the commission upon a finding that a casino
- 25 complies in all respects with the requirements of this act and
- 26 regulations promulgated hereunder, that the casino licensee has
- 27 implemented necessary management controls and security
- 28 precautions, that casino personnel are properly trained and
- 29 licensed for their respective responsibilities, and that the
- 30 casino is prepared in all respects to receive the public.

- 1 (b) The operation certificate shall include a statement of
- 2 compliance with subsection (a) and an itemized list by category
- 3 and number of the authorized games permitted in the particular
- 4 casino establishment.
- 5 (c) A casino licensee shall notify the commission 30 days in
- 6 advance of any proposed change in the number of authorized games
- 7 to be played in a particular casino, and shall request the
- 8 issuance of an operation certificate which permits such changes
- 9 to occur. The commission shall issue a revised operation
- 10 certificate unless it finds that the planned change in
- 11 authorized games does not conform to the requirements of this
- 12 act or regulations promulgated hereunder, or that there has been
- 13 a change of circumstances in the casino or with respect to the
- 14 casino licensee materially affecting compliance with subsection
- 15 (a).
- 16 (d) An operation certificate shall remain in force and
- 17 effect unless altered in accordance with subsection (c), or
- 18 revoked, suspended, limited or otherwise altered by the
- 19 commission in accordance with this act.
- 20 (e) It shall be an express condition of continued operation
- 21 under this act that a casino licensee shall maintain all books,
- 22 records, and documents pertaining to the licensee's operations
- 23 on the licensed premises immediately available for inspection
- 24 during all hours of operation. All such books, records, and
- 25 documents shall be maintained for a period of not less than
- 26 seven years.
- 27 Section 602. Hours of operation.
- 28 (a) No casino licensed pursuant to this act shall operate
- 29 between the hours of 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Saturdays, Sundays
- 30 and State and Federal holidays, or between the hours of 4 a.m.

- 1 and 10 a.m. on all other days.
- 2 (b) A casino licensee shall file with the commission a
- 3 schedule of hours prior to the issuance of an initial operation
- 4 certificate. If the casino licensee proposes any change in
- 5 scheduled hours, such change may not be effected until such
- 6 licensee files a notice of the new schedule of hours with the
- 7 commission. Such filing must be made 30 days prior to the
- 8 effective date of the proposed change in hours.
- 9 (c) Nothing herein shall be construed to limit a casino
- 10 licensee in opening its casino later than, or closing its casino
- 11 earlier than, the times stated in its schedule of operating
- 12 hours; provided, however, that any such alterations in its hours
- 13 shall comply with the provisions of subsection (a) and with
- 14 regulations of the commission pertaining to such alterations.
- 15 Section 603. Casino facility requirements.
- 16 (a) Each casino licensee shall arrange the facilities of its
- 17 casino in such a manner as to promote maximum comfort for the
- 18 patrons and optimum security for the casino operation, and shall
- 19 comply in all respects with regulations of the commission
- 20 pertaining thereto.
- 21 (b) Each casino licensee shall:
- 22 (1) Install a closed circuit television system according
- 23 to specifications approved by the commission, and provide
- 24 access on the licensed premises to the system or its signal
- by the commission or the division, in accordance with
- 26 regulations pertaining thereto.
- 27 (2) Provide exterior public entrances to a casino only
- through an enclosed lobby or receiving foyer of not less than
- 400 square feet; provided, however, that nothing herein shall
- 30 limit the number of such entrances to a casino.

- 1 (3) Establish a single room of at least 15,000 square
- feet as its casino, and provide that visibility between any
- 3 two areas in the casino, whether or not contiguous, may not
- 4 be obstructed by partitions of any kind which cover more than
- 5 50% of the structural opening; provided, however, that multi-
- 6 level casinos otherwise complying with this subsection shall
- 7 be permitted.
- 8 (4) Not permit the interior of the casino to be visible
- 9 from outside the casino hotel facility.
- 10 (5) Not be entitled to have considered any meeting space
- and restaurant, entertainment, and sports space which has
- direct public access only through the casino as counting
- toward the minimum ancillary space requirements of section
- 14 504.
- 15 Section 604. Internal controls.
- 16 (a) Each casino licensee shall submit to the commission a
- 17 description of its system of internal procedures and
- 18 administrative and accounting controls. Such submission shall be
- 19 made at least 90 days before gaming operations are to commence
- 20 or before changes in previously submitted control plans are to
- 21 become effective, unless otherwise directed by the commission.
- 22 Each such submission shall contain both narrative and
- 23 diagrammatic representations of the internal control system to
- 24 be utilized by the casino, including, but not limited to:
- 25 (1) Accounting control, including the standardization of
- forms and definition of terms to be utilized in the gaming
- operations.
- 28 (2) Procedures, forms, and, where appropriate, formulas
- 29 covering the calculation of hold percentages, revenue drop,
- 30 expense and overhead schedules, complimentary services,

- junkets, cash equivalent transactions, salary structure and personnel practices.
- (3) Job descriptions and the system of personnel and chain-of-command, establishing a diversity of responsibility among employees engaged in casino operations and identifying primary and secondary supervisory positions for areas of responsibility, which areas shall not be so extensive as to

be impractical for an individual to monitor.

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- 9 (4) Procedures within the cashier's cage for the
 10 receipt, storage and disbursal of chips and cash; the cashing
 11 of checks; the redemption of chips; the pay-off of jackpots;
 12 and the recording of transactions pertaining to gaming
 13 operations.
- 14 (5) Procedures for the collection and security of moneys 15 at the gaming tables.
- 16 (6) Procedures for the transfer and recordation of chips
 17 between the gaming tables and the cashier's cage.
- 18 (7) Procedures for the transfer of moneys from the 19 gaming tables to the counting process.
- 20 (8) Procedures and security for the counting and recordation of revenue.
- 22 (9) Procedures for the security, storage and recordation 23 of chips utilized in the gaming operation.
- 24 (10) Procedures for the transfer of moneys or chips from 25 and to the slot machines.
- 26 (11) Procedures and standards for the opening and 27 security of slot machines.
- 28 (12) Procedures for the payment and recordation of slot 29 machine jackpots.
- 30 (13) Procedures for the cashing and recordation of 19790S0318B0322 74 -

- 1 checks exchanged by casino patrons.
- 2 (14) Procedures governing the utilization of the private
- 3 security force within the casino.
- 4 (15) Procedures and security standards for the handling
- 5 and storage of gaming apparatus including cards, dice,
- 6 machines, wheels and all other gaming equipment.
- 7 (16) Procedures and rules governing the conduct of
- 8 particular games and the responsibility of casino personnel
- 9 in respect thereto.
- 10 (b) The commission shall review each submission required by
- 11 subsection (a) hereof, and shall determine whether it conforms
- 12 to the requirements of this act and to the regulations
- 13 promulgated thereunder and whether the system submitted provides
- 14 adequate and effective controls for the operations of the
- 15 particular casino submitting it. If the commission finds any
- 16 insufficiencies, it shall specify same in writing to the casino
- 17 licensee, who shall make appropriate alterations. When the
- 18 commission determines a submission to be adequate in all
- 19 respects, it shall notify the casino licensee of same. No casino
- 20 licensee shall commence gaming operations, or alter in fact its
- 21 internal controls, unless and until such system of controls is
- 22 approved by the commission.
- 23 Section 605. Games and gaming equipment.
- 24 (a) This act shall not be construed to permit any gaming
- 25 except the conduct of authorized games in a casino room in
- 26 accordance with this act and the regulations promulgated
- 27 hereunder.
- 28 (b) Gaming equipment shall not be possessed, maintained or
- 29 exhibited by any person on the premises of a casino hotel
- 30 complex except in the casino room and in secure areas used for

- 1 the inspection, repair or storage of such equipment and
- 2 specifically designated for that purpose by the casino licensee
- 3 with the approval of the commission. No gaming equipment shall
- 4 be possessed, maintained, exhibited, brought into or removed
- 5 from a casino room by any person unless such equipment is
- 6 necessary to the conduct of an authorized game, has permanently
- 7 affixed, imprinted, impressed or engraved thereon an
- 8 identification number or symbol authorized by the commission, is
- 9 under the exclusive control of a casino licensee or his
- 10 employees, and is brought into or removed from the casino room
- 11 at times authorized for that purpose by the commission or at
- 12 other times when prior notice has been given to and written
- 13 approval granted by an authorized agent of the commission.
- 14 (c) Each casino hotel shall contain a count room and such
- 15 other secure facilities as may be required by the commission for
- 16 the counting and storage of cash, coin, tokens and checks
- 17 received in the conduct of gaming and for the inspection,
- 18 counting and storage of dice, cards, chips and other
- 19 representatives of value. All drop boxes and other devices
- 20 wherein cash, coins, or tokens are deposited at the gaming
- 21 tables or in slot machines, and all areas wherein such boxes and
- 22 devices are kept while in use, shall be equipped with two
- 23 locking devices, one key to which shall be under the exclusive
- 24 control of the commission and the other under the exclusive
- 25 control of the casino licensee, and said drop boxes and other
- 26 devices shall not be brought into or removed from the casino
- 27 room, or locked or unlocked, except at such times, in such
- 28 places, and according to such procedures as the commission may
- 29 require.
- 30 (d) All chips used in gaming at all casinos shall be of such

- 1 size and uniform color by denomination as the commission shall
- 2 require by regulation.
- 3 (e) All gaming shall be conducted according to rules
- 4 promulgated by the commission. All wagers and pay-offs of
- 5 winning wagers at table games shall be made according to rules
- 6 promulgated by the commission, which shall establish such
- 7 minimum wagers and other limitations as may be necessary to
- 8 assure the vitality of casino operations and fair odds to and
- 9 maximum participation by casino patrons; provided, however, that
- 10 a licensee may establish a higher minimum wager with the prior
- 11 approval of the commission. Each slot machine shall have a
- 12 minimum payout of 83%.
- 13 (f) Each casino licensee shall make available in printed
- 14 form to any casino patron upon request the complete text of the
- 15 rules of the commission regarding games and the conduct of
- 16 gaming, pay-offs of winning wagers, an approximation of the odds
- 17 of winning for each wager, and such other advice to the player
- 18 as the commission shall require. Each casino licensee shall
- 19 prominently post within the casino room according to regulations
- 20 of the commission such information about gaming rules, pay-offs
- 21 of winning wagers, the odds of winning for each wager, and such
- 22 other advice to the player as the commission shall require.
- 23 (g) Each gaming table shall be equipped with a sign
- 24 indicating the permissible minimum and maximum wagers pertaining
- 25 thereto. It shall be unlawful to conduct gaming activity at any
- 26 table in any manner inconsistent with the information stated
- 27 upon the signs required by this subsection.
- 28 (h) No slot machine shall be used to conduct gaming unless
- 29 it is identical in all electrical, mechanical and other aspects
- 30 to a model thereof which has been specifically tested by the

- 1 division and licensed for use by the commission. The commission
- 2 shall, by regulation, establish such technical standards for
- 3 licensure, including mechanical and electrical reliability,
- 4 security against tampering, the comprehensibility of wagering,
- 5 and noise and light levels, as it may deem necessary to protect
- 6 the player from fraud or deception and to insure the integrity
- 7 of gaming. In no event shall slot machines, including walkways
- 8 between them, occupy more than 30% of the first 50,000 square
- 9 feet of floor space of a casino, or more than 25% of any
- 10 additional floor space of a casino larger than 50,000 square
- 11 feet. The commission shall, by regulation, determine the
- 12 permissible density of particular licensed slot machines or
- 13 combinations thereof, based upon their size and light and noise
- 14 levels, so as to create and maintain a gracious playing
- 15 environment in the casino and to avoid deception or frequent
- 16 distraction to players at gaming tables. The denominations of
- 17 such machines shall be set by the licensee, subject to the prior
- 18 approval of the commission.
- 19 (i) Each casino shall be arranged in such fashion as to
- 20 allow floor space for each gaming table, including the space
- 21 occupied by the table, in accordance with the following:
- 22 Baccarat--300 square feet.
- 23 Blackjack--100 square feet.
- 24 Craps--200 square feet.
- 25 Roulette--150 square feet.
- 26 Big Six Wheel--150 square feet.
- 27 (j) Each casino shall be arranged in such fashion as to
- 28 assure that gaming tables shall at all times be present:
- 29 (1) At least one baccarat table for every 5,000 square
- 30 feet of casino space or part thereof.

- 1 (2) At least one craps table for every 1,000 square feet
- of casino space or part thereof.
- 3 (3) At least one roulette table for every 1,000 square
- 4 feet of casino space or part thereof.
- 5 (4) At least four blackjack tables for every 1,000
- 6 square feet of casino space or part thereof.
- 7 (5) No more than one Big Six Wheel and table for every
- 8 1,000 square feet of casino space or part thereof.
- 9 (k) It shall be unlawful for any person to exchange or
- 10 redeem chips for anything whatsoever, except currency,
- 11 negotiable personal checks, negotiable counter checks or other
- 12 chips. A casino licensee shall, upon the request of any person,
- 13 redeem that licensee's gaming chips surrendered by that person
- 14 in any amount over \$25 with a check drawn upon the licensee's
- 15 account at any banking institution in this Commonwealth and made
- 16 payable to that person.
- 17 (1) It shall be unlawful for any casino licensee or his
- 18 agents or employees to employ, contract with, or use any shill
- 19 or barker to induce any person to enter a casino or play at any
- 20 game or for any purpose whatsoever.
- 21 (m) It shall be unlawful for a dealer in any authorized game
- 22 in which cards are dealt to deal cards by hand or other than
- 23 from a device specifically designed for that purpose.
- 24 (n) It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee, other
- 25 than a junket representative, or any casino employee, other than
- 26 a bartender, waiter, waitress, or other casino employee who in
- 27 the judgment of the commission is not directly involved with the
- 28 conduct of gaming operations, to wager at any game in any casino
- 29 in this Commonwealth.
- 30 (o) It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee or

- 1 boxman, floorman, or any other casino employee who shall serve
- 2 in a supervisory position to solicit or accept, and for any
- 3 other casino employee to solicit, any tip or gratuity from any
- 4 player or patron at the casino where he is employed.
- 5 (p) A dealer may accept tips or gratuities from a patron at
- 6 the table at which such dealer is conducting play, subject to
- 7 the provisions of this subsection. All such tips or gratuities
- 8 shall be immediately deposited in a lock box reserved for that
- 9 purpose accounted for, and placed in a pool for distribution pro
- 10 rata among the dealers on a weekly basis, with the distribution
- 11 based upon the number of hours each dealer has worked.
- 12 Section 606. Credit.
- 13 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, no casino
- 14 licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no person
- 15 acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a casino
- 16 licensee or other person licensed under this act, shall:
- 17 (1) Cash any check, make any loan, or otherwise provide
- 18 or allow to any person any credit or advance of anything of
- 19 value or which represents value to enable any person to take
- 20 part in gaming activity as a player; or
- 21 (2) Release or discharge any debt, either in whole or in
- 22 part, or make any loan which represents any losses incurred
- 23 by any player in gaming activity without maintaining a
- 24 written record thereof in accordance with the rules of the
- 25 commission.
- 26 (b) No casino licensee or any person licensed under this
- 27 act, and no person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement
- 28 with a casino licensee or other person licensed under this act,
- 29 may accept a check, other than a recognized traveler's check or
- 30 other cash equivalent, from any person to enable such person to

- 1 take part in gaming activity as a player, or may give cash or
- 2 cash equivalents in exchange for such check unless:
- 3 (1) The check is made payable to the casino licensee.
- 4 (2) The check is dated, but not postdated.
- 5 (3) The check is presented to the cashier or his
- 6 representative and is exchanged only for a credit slip or
- 7 slips which total an amount equal to the amount for which the
- 8 check is drawn, which slip or slips may be presented for
- 9 chips at a gaming table.
- 10 (4) The regulations concerning check cashing procedures
- are observed by the casino licensee and its employees and
- 12 agents.
- 13 Nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to preclude the
- 14 establishment of an account by any person with a casino licensee
- 15 by a deposit of cash or recognized traveler's check or other
- 16 cash equivalent, or to preclude the withdrawal, either in whole
- 17 or in part, of any amount contained in such account.
- 18 (c) When a casino licensee or other person licensed under
- 19 this act, or any person acting on behalf of or under any
- 20 arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed
- 21 under this act, cashes a check in conformity with the
- 22 requirements of subsection (b), the casino licensee shall cause
- 23 the deposit of such check in a bank for collection or payment
- 24 within seven banking days of the date of the transaction for a
- 25 check in an amount less than \$1,000; 14 banking days of the date
- 26 of the transaction for a check of at least \$1,000 but less than
- 27 \$2,500; or 90 banking days of the date of the transaction for a
- 28 check of \$2,500 or more. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the
- 29 drawer of the check may redeem the check by exchanging cash or
- 30 chips in an amount equal to the amount for which the check is

- 1 drawn; or he may redeem the check in part by exchanging cash or
- 2 chips and another check which meets the requirements of
- 3 subsection (b) for the difference between the original check and
- 4 the cash or chips tendered; or he may issue one check which
- 5 meets the requirements of subsection (b) in an amount sufficient
- 6 to redeem two or more checks drawn to the order of the casino
- 7 licensee. If there has been a partial redemption or a
- 8 consolidation in conformity with the provisions of this
- 9 subsection, the newly issued check shall be delivered to a bank
- 10 for collection or payment within the period herein specified. No
- 11 casino licensee or any person licensed under this act, and no
- 12 person acting on behalf of or under any arrangement with a
- 13 casino licensee or other person licensed under this act shall
- 14 accept any check or series of checks in redemption or
- 15 consolidation of another check or checks in accordance with this
- 16 subsection for the purpose of avoiding or delaying the deposit
- 17 of a check in a bank for collection or payment within the time
- 18 period prescribed by this subsection.
- 19 (d) No casino licensee or any other person licensed under
- 20 this act, or any other person acting on behalf of or under any
- 21 arrangement with a casino licensee or other person licensed
- 22 under this act, shall transfer, convey, or give, with or without
- 23 consideration, a check cashed in conformity with the
- 24 requirements of this section to any person other than:
- 25 (1) The drawer of the check upon redemption or
- consolidation in accordance with subsection (c).
- 27 (2) A bank for collection or payment of the check.
- 28 (3) A purchaser of the casino license as approved by the
- 29 commission.
- 30 The limitation on transferability of checks imposed herein shall

- 1 apply to checks returned by any bank to the casino licensee
- 2 without full and final payment.
- 3 (e) No person other than one licensed as a casino key
- 4 employee or as a casino employee may engage in efforts to
- 5 collect upon checks that have been returned by banks without
- 6 full and final payment, except that an attorney-at-law
- 7 representing a casino licensee may bring action for such
- 8 collection.
- 9 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the
- 10 contrary, checks cashed in conformity with the requirements of
- 11 this act shall be valid instruments, enforceable at law in the
- 12 courts of this Commonwealth. Any check cashed, transferred,
- 13 conveyed or given in violation of this act shall be invalid and
- 14 unenforceable.
- 15 Section 607. Junkets; complimentary services.
- 16 (a) No junkets may be organized or permitted except in
- 17 accordance with the provisions of this act. No person may act as
- 18 a junket representative except in accordance with this section.
- 19 For purposes of this section, the term "junket representative"
- 20 shall mean any person who is responsible for or directly engaged
- 21 in the creation, organization, or operation of a junket,
- 22 regardless of whether or not such junket is engaged in or
- 23 organized with the Commonwealth.
- 24 (b) A junket representative shall be licensed as a casino
- 25 key employee in accordance with the provisions of this act;
- 26 provided, however, that said licensee need not be a resident of
- 27 this Commonwealth. No casino licensee may employe or otherwise
- 28 engage a junket representative who is not so licensed.
- 29 (c) A casino licensee shall be responsible for the conduct
- 30 of any junket representative associated with it and for the

- 1 terms and conditions of any junket engaged in on its premises,
- 2 regardless of the employment status of any junket representative
- 3 associated therewith.
- 4 (d) Each casino licensee shall either:
- 5 (1) Submit to the commission, in accordance with its
- 6 rules, a report in advance of any junket which shall include
- 7 the names of the participants, the terms of the junket, the
- 8 origin and dates of the junket, and such other information as
- 9 may be required by the commission, including, without
- 10 limitation, acknowledgments by the participants that they
- 11 understand the terms of the particular junket.
- 12 (2) Submit to the commission, in accordance with its
- 13 rules, proposals for junkets, which proposals may be approved
- 14 by the commission for continued use upon the condition that
- no material aspect of any proposal with be changed except as
- to participants and that quarterly reports regarding such
- junkets shall be submitted to the commission, including such
- information as it may required.
- 19 (e) A casino licensee shall be responsible for any violation
- 20 or deviation from the terms of a junket. Notwithstanding any
- 21 other provisions of this act, the commission may, after hearings
- 22 in accordance with this act, order restitution to junket
- 23 participants, assess penalties for such violations or
- 24 deviations, prohibit future junkets by the casino licensee or
- 25 junket representatives, and order such further relief as it
- 26 deems appropriate.
- 27 (f) Each casino licensee shall maintain a regulated
- 28 complimentary service account and shall submit a quarterly
- 29 report to the commission based upon such account and covering
- 30 all complimentary services offered or engaged in by the licensee

- 1 during the immediately preceding quarter. Such reports shall
- 2 include identification of the regulated complimentary services
- 3 and their respective costs, the number of persons by category of
- 4 service who received same, and such other information as the
- 5 commission may require.
- 6 Section 608. Alcoholic beverages on casino hotel facilities.
- 7 (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the authority
- 8 to grant any license for, or to permit or prohibit the presence
- 9 of, alcoholic beverages in, on, or about any premises licensed
- 10 as part of a casino hotel shall exclusively be vested in the
- 11 commission.
- 12 (b) Unless otherwise stated, and except where inconsistent
- 13 with the purpose or intent of this act or the common
- 14 understanding of usage thereof, definitions contained in the
- 15 "Liquor Code," as amended, shall apply to this section.
- 16 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of the "Liquor Code," the
- 17 rules, regulations and bulletins promulgated by the Pennsylvania
- 18 Liquor Control Board, or any provision promulgated by any local
- 19 authority, including the authority to issue, renew, transfer,
- 20 revoke or suspend any casino hotel alcoholic beverage license or
- 21 any portion, location, privilege or condition thereof; to fine
- 22 or penalize any casino hotel alcoholic beverage licensee; to
- 23 enforce all statutes, laws, rulings, or regulations relating to
- 24 such license; and to collect license fees and establish
- 25 application standards therefor, shall be, consistent with this
- 26 act, exclusively vested in the commission or the bureau.
- 27 (d) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the
- 28 provisions of the "Liquor Code," and the rules, regulations and
- 29 bulletins promulgated by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board
- 30 shall apply to any casino hotel and casino hotel alcoholic

- 1 beverage licensee licensed under this act.
- 2 (e) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, the
- 3 commission may promulgate any regulations and special rulings
- 4 and findings as may be necessary for the proper enforcement,
- 5 regulation, and control of alcoholic beverages in casino hotels
- 6 when the commission finds that the uniqueness of casino
- 7 operations and the public interest require that such
- 8 regulations, rulings and findings are appropriate. Regulations
- 9 of the commission may include but are not limited to:
- 10 designation and duties of enforcement personnel; all forms
- 11 necessary or convenient in the administration of this section;
- 12 inspections, investigations, searches, seizures; licensing and
- 13 disciplinary standards; requirements and standards for any
- 14 hearings or disciplinary or other proceedings that may be
- 15 required from time to time; the assessment of fines or penalties
- 16 for violations; hours of sale; sale in original containers;
- 17 sales on credit; out-of-door sales; limitations of sales; gifts
- 18 and promotional materials; locations or places for sale; control
- 19 of signs and other displays; identification of licensees and
- 20 their employees; employment of aliens and minors; storage,
- 21 transportation and sanitary requirements; records to be kept by
- 22 the casino hotel alcoholic beverage licensees and availability
- 23 thereof; practices unduly designed to increase consumption of
- 24 alcoholic beverages; and such other matters whatsoever as are or
- 25 may become necessary and consistent with the administration of
- 26 this act.
- 27 (f) (1) It shall be unlawful for any casino licensee, or
- any of its lessees, agents or employees to expose for sale,
- 29 solicit or promote the sale of, possess with intent to sell,
- 30 sell, give, dispense, or otherwise transfer or dispose of

- 1 alcoholic beverages in, on or about any portion of the
- 2 premises of a casino hotel, unless said person possesses an
- 3 appropriate casino hotel alcoholic beverage license.
- 4 (2) It shall be unlawful for any person issued a casino
- 5 hotel alcoholic beverage license to expose, possess, sell,
- 6 give, dispense, transfer, or otherwise dispose of alcoholic
- 7 beverages, other than within the terms and conditions of the
- 8 casino hotel alcoholic beverage license issued, the
- 9 provisions of the "Liquor Code," the rules and regulations
- 10 promulgated by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, and,
- when applicable, the regulations promulgated pursuant to this
- 12 act.
- 13 (g) All casino hotel alcoholic beverage licenses shall be
- 14 classified as follows:
- 15 Class I: Casino License. -- The holder of this license
- shall be entitled, subject to applicable laws, rules and
- 17 regulations, to sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or
- other open receptacle, but not in an original container, for
- on-premises consumption within a casino; provided, however,
- that no food or alcoholic beverage, other than nonalcoholic
- 21 beverages or garnishments used in the preparation of
- 22 alcoholic beverages for consumption by the glass, shall be
- 23 sold, given or be available for consumption; offered,
- delivered or otherwise brought to a patron; or consumed at a
- gaming table unless so requested by the patron.
- 26 Class II: Cabaret; Entertainment Room License.--The
- 27 holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to
- applicable laws, rules and regulations, to sell any alcoholic
- 29 beverage by the glass or other open receptacle for on-
- 30 premises consumption within an enclosed room not in a casino;

1 provided, however, that the Class II licensed room shall

2 regularly and principally be used for the purpose of

3 providing live cabaret, show, revue, or performing arts

4 entertainment available to the public, with or without the

5 availability of food.

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Class III: Restaurant; Banquet Room License. -- The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to applicable laws, rules and regulations, to sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open receptacle for on-premises consumption within an enclosed room or a series of enclosed connected rooms, with or without an adjacent outdoor dining area, not in a casino; provided, however, that the Class III licensed area shall regularly and principally be used for the purpose of providing meals to the public and has adequate kitchen and dining area equipped for the preparing, cooking and serving of meals for consumption therein; or that the room or rooms shall regularly and principally be used for the purpose of banquets or conventions into which food may be brought or catered. For the purpose of this section, "meals for consumption" shall be defined as offering of any food other than sandwiches, salads, crackers, chips, nuts or similar snacks; and "rooms regularly and principally used for banquets or conventions" shall be defined as rooms in which any food other than sandwiches, salads, chips, nuts or similar snacks is offered for consumption.

Class IV: Pub Area License. -- The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to applicable laws, rules and regulations, to sell any alcoholic beverage by the glass or other open receptacle for on-premises consumption within a room not in a casino, or from one fixed location outside a

1 building or structure containing a casino but on a casino

hotel premises; provided, however, that the regular and

3 principal purpose of such facility shall not be for the

4 consumption of meals by customers or for banquets or

5 conventions.

Class V: Package License. -- The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to applicable laws, rules and regulations, to sell any alcoholic beverage in original containers for consumption outside the Class V licensed area from one enclosed room not in a casino; provided, however, that no food shall be made available for consumption in a Class V room and no direct access to or from a casino may exist in a Class V room.

Class VI: Room Service License.--The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to applicable laws, rules and regulations, to sell any alcoholic beverage from one fixed location within an enclosed room not in a casino; provided, however, that the Class VI licensed room has no direct access to or from a casino and any sale of alcoholic beverages is delivered only to a room and to a registered quest of the casino hotel and not in or on any area, room or location licensed under Class I, II, III, IV or V.

Class VII: Storage License.--The holder of any casino hotel alcoholic beverage license shall be entitled, subject to applicable laws, rules and regulations, to possess or to store alcoholic beverages intended but not actually exposed for sale in an area, room or location so licensed. The holder of a storage license shall be entitled, subject to applicable laws, rules and regulations, to store any alcoholic beverage intended for sale at a fixed enclosed location on a casino

- 1 hotel premises, not in a casino, and not otherwise licensed
- under Class I, II, III, IV, V or VI; and to transfer or
- deliver such alcoholic beverages only to a licensed location
- 4 for which such licensee is licensed; provided, however, that
- 5 no access to or from a Class VII licensed location shall be
- 6 permitted except during the normal course of business by
- 7 employees or agents of the Class VII licensee, or by licensed
- 8 employees or agents of wholesalers or distributors licensed
- 9 pursuant to the "Liquor Code" and any applicable rules and
- 10 regulations.
- 11 (h) (1) No Class I casino hotel alcoholic beverage license
- shall issue to any applicant who does not hold a casino
- 13 license issued pursuant to this act.
- 14 (2) No Class II, III, IV, V, VI or VII casino hotel
- alcoholic beverage license shall issue to any applicant who
- 16 would not qualify under the standards for licensure of a
- casino employee as defined under this act, except that such
- 18 applicant need not be an employee of the casino licensee.
- 19 (3) No Class VII casino hotel alcoholic beverage license
- 20 shall issue to any applicant who does not hold a Class I, II,
- 21 III, IV, V or VI casino hotel alcoholic beverage license.
- (i) The commission may revoke, suspend, refuse to renew or
- 23 refuse to transfer any casino hotel alcoholic beverage license,
- 24 or fine or penalize any casino hotel alcoholic beverage licensee
- 25 for violations of any provision of the "Liquor Code," the rules
- 26 and regulations promulgated by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control
- 27 Board, and the regulations promulgated by the commission.
- 28 (j) Jurisdiction over all alcoholic beverage licenses
- 29 previously issued with respect to the casino hotel facility is
- 30 hereby vested in the commission, which in its discretion may, by

- 1 regulation, provide for the conversion thereof into casino hotel
- 2 alcoholic beverage licenses as provided in this section.
- 3 Section 609. Casino licensee; leases and contracts.
- 4 (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to lend, let, lease
- 5 or otherwise provide any thing, or furnish any service,
- 6 including service in managing a casino or in maintaining any
- 7 equipment for any gambling game, including slot machines, for
- 8 any interest or any percentage or share of the money or property
- 9 gambled at or derived from such casino, equipment, or service,
- 10 or for any interest, however defined, in the revenues, profits
- 11 or earnings of the casino other than pursuant to the terms of a
- 12 written agreement providing:
- 13 (1) For casino employee profit sharing.
- 14 (2) For casino key employee profit sharing.
- 15 (3) For the leasing of 100% of the entire casino hotel
- 16 facility for a term exceeding 30 years.
- 17 (4) For the complete management of the casino.
- 18 Such agreements shall not be effective unless approved by the
- 19 commission, except that receipts of percentage charges between a
- 20 corporate licensee and another entity which is a holding company
- 21 or intermediary company with respect to such licensee shall be
- 22 permitted. Under no circumstances shall any such agreement be
- 23 approved unless all parties thereto are themselves holders of
- 24 licenses issued pursuant to the provisions of this act, and in
- 25 the case of leases and management contracts, each party thereto
- 26 holds or is eligible to apply for a casino license. Receipts,
- 27 rentals, or charges for real property, personal property, or
- 28 services shall not lose their character as payments of a fixed
- 29 sum because of contract, lease, or license provisions for
- 30 adjustments in charges, rentals, or fees on account of changes

- 1 in taxes or assessments, cost-of-living index escalations,
- 2 expansion or improvement of facilities, or changes in services
- 3 supplied. In the case of leases and management contracts
- 4 permitted under this subsection, each party thereto shall be
- 5 individually and severally liable for all acts, omissions, and
- 6 violations of this act by the other party thereto, regardless of
- 7 actual knowledge of such act, omission, or violation and
- 8 notwithstanding any provision of such lease or contract to the
- 9 contrary. The commission shall adopt such regulations as it may
- 10 deem necessary to further define or restrict the terms of such
- 11 agreements. No casino licensee shall be permitted to enter into
- 12 contracts for the management of a total of more than three
- 13 casinos.
- 14 (b) Each casino licensee shall be required to present to the
- 15 commission any written or unwritten agreement regarding the
- 16 realty of, or any business or person doing business with or on
- 17 the premises of, its casino hotel facility. Such agreement shall
- 18 be reviewed by the commission on the basis of the reasonableness
- 19 of its terms, including the terms of compensation, and of the
- 20 qualifications of the person involved in the agreement with such
- 21 casino licensee, which qualifications shall be reviewed
- 22 according to the standards enumerated in this act. If the
- 23 commission does not approve such an agreement or association,
- 24 the commission may require its termination.
- 25 Every agreement with a casino hotel shall be deemed to
- 26 include a provision for its termination without liabiltiy on the
- 27 part of the licensee, if the commission shall disapprove of the
- 28 business or of any person associated therewith, by reason of a
- 29 finding that said business or person is unsuitable to be
- 30 associated with a casino enterprise in accordance with the

- 1 regulations promulgated under this act. Failure expressly to
- 2 include such a condition in the agreement shall not constitute a
- 3 defense in any action brought to terminate the agreement. If the
- 4 agreement is not presented to the commission in accordance with
- 5 commission regulations, or the disapproved agreement or
- 6 association is not terminated, the commission may pursue any
- 7 remedy or combination of remedies provided in this act.
- 8 (c) Nothing in this act shall be deemed to permit the
- 9 transfer of any license, or any interest in any license, or any
- 10 certificate of compliance or any commitment or reservation.
- 11 Section 610. Disposition of securities by corporate licensee.
- 12 (a) The sale, assignment, transfer, pledge or other
- 13 disposition of any security issued by a corporation which holds
- 14 a casino license is conditional and shall be ineffective if
- 15 disapproved by the commission.
- 16 (b) Every security issued by a corporation which holds a
- 17 casino license shall bear, on both sides of the certificate
- 18 evidencing such security, a statement of the restrictions
- 19 imposed by this section, except that in the case of a publicly
- 20 traded corporation incorporated prior to the effective date of
- 21 this act, a statement of restriction shall be necessary only
- 22 insofar as certificates are issued by such corporation after the
- 23 effective date of this act.
- 24 (c) The Department of State shall not accept for filing any
- 25 articles of incorporation of any corporation which includes as a
- 26 stated purpose the conduct of casino gaming, or any amendment
- 27 which adds such purpose to articles of incorporation already
- 28 filed, unless such articles or amendments have been approved by
- 29 the commission and a copy of such approval is annexed thereto
- 30 upon presentation for filing with the Department of State.

- 1 (d) If at any time the commission finds that an individual
- 2 owner or holder of any security of a corporate licensee or of a
- 3 holding or intermediary company with respect thereto is not
- 4 qualified under this act, and if as a result the corporate
- 5 licensee is no longer qualified to continue as a casino licensee
- 6 in this Commonwealth, the commission shall, pursuant to the
- 7 provisions of this act, propose any necessary action to protect
- 8 the public interest, including the suspension or revocation of
- 9 the casino license of the corporation; provided, however, that
- 10 if the holding or intermediary company is a publicly traded
- 11 corporation and the commission finds disqualified any holder of
- 12 any security thereof who is required to be qualified under this
- 13 act, and the commission also finds that:
- 14 (1) The holding or intermediary company has complied
- with the provisions of this act.
- 16 (2) The holding or intermediary company has made a good
- faith effort, including the prosecution of all legal
- remedies, to comply with any order of the commission
- 19 requiring the divestiture of the security interest held by
- the disqualified holder.
- 21 (3) Such disqualified holder does not have the ability
- 22 to control the corporate licensee or any holding or
- intermediary company with respect thereto, or to elect one or
- 24 more members of the board of directors of such corporation or
- company, the commission shall not take action against the
- 26 casino licensee or the holding or intermediary company with
- 27 respect to the continued ownership of the security interest
- 28 by the disqualified holder. For purposes of this act, a
- security holder shall be presumed to have the ability to
- 30 control a publicly traded corporation, or to elect one or

- 1 more members of its board of directors, if such holder owns
- or beneficially holds 5% or more of the securities of such
- 3 corporation, unless such presumption of control or ability to
- 4 elect is rebutted by clear and convincing evidence.
- 5 (e) Commencing on the date the commission serves notice upon
- 6 a corporation of the determination of disqualification under
- 7 subsection (d), it shall be unlawful for the named individual:
- 8 (1) To receive any dividends or interest upon any such
- 9 securities.
- 10 (2) To exercise, directly or through any trustee or
- 11 nominee, any right conferred by such securities.
- 12 (3) To receive any remuneration in any form from the
- corporate licensee for services rendered or otherwise.
- 14 (f) After a nonpublic corporation has been issued a casino
- 15 license pursuant to the provisions of this act, but prior to the
- 16 issuance or transfer of any security to any person required to
- 17 be but not yet qualified in accordance with the provisions of
- 18 this act, such corporation shall file a report of its proposed
- 19 action with the commission, and shall request the approval of
- 20 the commission for the transaction. If the commission shall deny
- 21 the request, the corporation shall not issue or transfer such
- 22 security. After a public corporation has been issued a casino
- 23 license, such corporation shall file a report quarterly with the
- 24 commission, which report shall list all owners and holders of
- 25 any security issued by such corporate casino licensee.
- 26 (g) Each corporation which has been issued a casino license
- 27 pursuant to the provisions of this act shall file a report of
- 28 any change of its corporate officers or members of its board of
- 29 directors with the commission. No officer or director shall be
- 30 entitled to exercise any powers of the office to which he was so

- 1 elected or appointed until qualified by the commission in
- 2 accordance with the provisions of this act.
- 3 Section 611. Work permits.
- 4 (a) A casino licensee shall not appoint or employ any person
- 5 not possessing a current and valid license permitting such
- 6 appointment or employment. Prior to the effective date of such
- 7 appointment or employment, the casino licensee shall apply for a
- 8 work permit for such employee, which shall be granted by the
- 9 commission if the employee is the holder of a current and valid
- 10 license. The casino licensee shall return such work permit to
- 11 the commission within five days of the termination or cessation
- 12 of such appointment or employment for any cause whatsoever. Each
- 13 work permit shall be renewed annually in accordance with rules
- 14 and regulations promulgated by the commission.
- 15 (b) A casino licensee shall, within 24 hours of receipt of
- 16 written notice thereof, terminate the appointment or employment
- 17 of any person whose license has been revoked or has expired. A
- 18 casino licensee shall comply in all respects with any order of
- 19 the commission imposing limitations or restrictions upon the
- 20 terms of employment or appointment in the course of any
- 21 investigation or hearing.
- 22 CHAPTER 7
- 23 HEARINGS
- 24 Section 701. Commencement.
- 25 (a) Any proceeding against a licensee shall be brought on by
- 26 written complaint, which shall include a statement setting forth
- 27 in ordinary and concise language the charges and the acts or
- 28 omissions supporting such charges.
- 29 (b) Upon filing of the complaint, the commission shall serve
- 30 a copy upon the licensee either personally or by certified mail

- 1 to his address on file with the commission.
- 2 (c) Within 15 days after service upon him of the complaint,
- 3 the licensee may file with the commission a notice of defense,
- 4 in which he may:
- 5 (1) Request a hearing.
- 6 (2) Admit the accusation in whole or in part.
- 7 (3) Present new matters or explanations by way of
- 8 defense.
- 9 (4) State any legal objections to the complaint. Within
- 10 the time specified, the licensee may file one or more notices
- of defense upon any or all of the above grounds.
- 12 (d) The licensee shall be entitled to a hearing on the
- 13 merits if he files the required notice of defense within the
- 14 time allowed by subsection (c), and any such notice shall be
- 15 deemed a specific denial of all parts of the complaint not
- 16 expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense within
- 17 such time shall constitute a waiver of the licensee's rights to
- 18 a hearing, but the commission, in its discretion, may
- 19 nevertheless order a hearing. All affirmative defenses must be
- 20 specifically stated, and unless objection is taken as provided
- 21 in subsection (c)(4), all objections to the form of complaint
- 22 shall be deemed waived.
- 23 (e) The commission shall determine the time and place of the
- 24 hearing as soon as is reasonably practical after receiving the
- 25 licensee's notice of defense. The commission shall deliver or
- 26 send by certified mail a notice to all parties at least ten days
- 27 prior to the hearing. Unless the licensee consents, the hearing
- 28 shall not be held prior to the expiration time within which the
- 29 licensee is entitled to file the notice of defense.
- 30 (f) Prior to a hearing before the commission, and during a

- 1 hearing upon reasonable cause shown, the commission shall issue
- 2 subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum at the request of a licensee
- 3 or the bureau.
- 4 Section 702. Conduct of hearings; rules of evidence; punishment
- of contempts; decisions; rehearing.
- 6 (a) At all hearings of the commission pursuant to this
- 7 article:
- 8 (1) At least one member of the commission shall be
- 9 present and shall exercise all powers relating to the conduct
- of the hearing.
- 11 (2) The proceedings at the hearing shall be recorded or
- 12 transcribed.
- 13 (3) Oral evidence shall be taken only upon oath or
- affirmation administered by the commission.
- 15 (4) Each party to a hearing shall have the right to call
- and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits relevant to the
- issues of the case, including the transcript of testimony at
- any investigative hearing conducted by or on behalf of the
- 19 commission; to cross-examine opposing witnesses in any
- 20 matters relevant to the issue of the case; to impeach any
- 21 witness, regardless of which party called him to testify; and
- 22 to offer rebuttal evidence.
- 23 (5) If the licensee shall not testify in his own behalf,
- he may be called and examined as if under cross-examination.
- 25 (6) The hearing need not be conducted according to rules
- relating to the admissibility of evidence in courts of law.
- 27 Any relevant evidence may be admitted and shall be sufficient
- in itself to support a finding if it is the sort of evidence
- upon which responsible persons are accustomed to rely in the
- 30 conduct of serious affairs, regardless of the existence of

- any common law or statutory rule which might make improper
- 2 the admission of such evidence over objection in a civil
- 3 action.
- 4 (7) The parties or their counsel may by written
- 5 stipulation agree that certain specified evidence may be
- 6 admitted, although such evidence may be otherwise subject to
- 7 objection.
- 8 (b) The commission may take official notice of any generally
- 9 accepted information or technical or scientific matter in the
- 10 field of gaming, and of any other fact which may be judicially
- 11 noticed by the courts of this Commonwealth. The parties shall be
- 12 informed of any information, matters or facts so noticed and
- 13 shall be given a reasonable opportunity, on request, to refute
- 14 such information, matters or facts by evidence or by written or
- 15 oral presentation of authorities, the manner of such refutation
- 16 to be determined by the commission. The commission may in its
- 17 discretion, before rendering its decision, permit the filing of
- 18 amended or supplemental pleadings and shall notify all parties
- 19 thereof and provide a reasonable opportunity for objections
- 20 thereto.
- 21 (c) If any person in proceedings before the commission
- 22 disobeys or resists any lawful order, refuses to respond to a
- 23 subpoena or refuses to take the oath or affirmation as a witness
- 24 or thereafter refuses to be examined, or is guilty of misconduct
- 25 at the hearing or so near the place thereof as to obstruct the
- 26 proceeding, the person may be punished for contempt in
- 27 accordance with law if the commission certifies the facts
- 28 underlying the contumacious behavior to the Commonwealth Court.
- 29 Thereafter, the courts shall have jurisdiction in the matter,
- 30 and the same proceeding shall be had, the same penalties may be

- 1 imposed, and the person charged may purge himself of the
- 2 contempt in the same way as in the case of a person who has
- 3 committed contempt in the trial of a civil action before the
- 4 court of common pleas.
- 5 (d) Failure of a licensee to file a notice of defense or to
- 6 request or appear at the hearing shall constitute an admission
- 7 of all matters and facts contained in the complaint filed with
- 8 respect to such respondent. In such cases the commission may
- 9 take action based upon such admission or upon any other
- 10 evidence, without any further notice whatever to the licensee.
- 11 In such cases the commission shall prepare and file a record
- 12 containing the evidence upon which the action was based.
- (e) After the hearing in a contested matter, and upon review
- 14 of the transcript, the commission shall render a written
- 15 decision on the merits, which shall contain findings of fact,
- 16 determination of the issues presented, and specifications of the
- 17 penalty or penalties to be imposed, if any; and shall thereafter
- 18 make and enter its written order in accordance with such
- 19 decision. Copies of the decision and order shall be served on
- 20 the parties personally or sent to them by certified mail. The
- 21 decision shall become and remain effective upon such service and
- 22 until the commission shall otherwise order.
- 23 (f) The commission may, upon motion therefor made within ten
- 24 days after service of the decision and order, order a rehearing
- 25 before the commission upon such terms and conditions as it may
- 26 deem just and proper. Such motion shall be granted only upon a
- 27 showing that there is additional evidence which is material and
- 28 necessary, and which would be reasonably likely to change the
- 29 decision of the commission, and that sufficient reason existed
- 30 for failure to present such evidence at the hearing of the

- 1 commission. The motion shall be supported by an affidavit of the
- 2 moving party or his counsel showing with particularity the
- 3 materiality and necessity of the additional evidence and the
- 4 reason why it was not introduced at the hearing. Upon rehearing,
- 5 rebuttal evidence to the additional evidence shall be admitted.
- 6 After rehearing, the commission may notify its decision and
- 7 order as the additional evidence may warrant.
- 8 Section 703. Emergency orders.
- 9 Notwithstanding any provisions of this article, the
- 10 commission may issue an emergency order for the suspension,
- 11 limitation or conditioning of any operation certificate or any
- 12 license, other than a casino license, or may issue an emergency
- 13 order requiring the licensed casino to keep an individual from
- 14 the premises of such licensed casino or not to pay such
- 15 individual any remuneration for services or any profits, income
- 16 or accruals on his investment in such casino, in the following
- 17 manner:
- 18 (1) An emergency order shall be issued only when the
- 19 commission finds that:
- 20 (i) There has been charged a violation of any of the
- 21 criminal laws of this Commonwealth by a licensee.
- 22 (ii) Such action is necessary to prevent a violation
- of any such provision.
- 24 (iii) Such action is necessary immediately for the
- 25 preservation of the public peace, health, safety, morals,
- good order and general welfare or to preserve the public
- 27 policies declared by this act.
- 28 (2) An emergency order shall set forth the grounds upon
- 29 which it is issued, including the statement of facts
- 30 constituting the alleged emergency necessitating such action.

- 1 (3) The emergency order shall be effective immediately
- 2 upon issuance and service upon the licensee or resident agent
- of the licensee. The emergency order may suspend, limit,
- 4 condition or take other action in relation to the approval of
- one or more individuals who were required to be approved in
- 6 any operation, without necessarily affecting any other
- 7 individuals or the licensed casino establishment. The
- 8 emergency order shall remain effective until further order of
- 9 the commission or final disposition of the case.
- 10 (4) Within five days after issuance of an emergency
- order, the commission shall cause a complaint to be filed and
- 12 served upon the person or entity involved in accordance with
- the provisions of this act.
- 14 (5) Thereafter, the person or entity against whom the
- 15 emergency order has been issued and served shall be entitled
- 16 to a hearing before the commission in accordance with the
- 17 provisions of this act.
- 18 Section 704. Judicial review.
- 19 (a) The bureau or any person aggrieved by a final decision
- 20 or order of the commission made after hearing or rehearing by
- 21 the commission, whether or not a petition for hearing was filed,
- 22 may obtain judicial review thereof by appeal to the Commonwealth
- 23 Court in accordance with law.
- 24 (b) Filing of an appeal shall not stay enforcement of the
- 25 decision or order of the commission unless the stay is obtained
- 26 from the court upon application in accordance with law or from
- 27 the commission upon such terms and conditions as it deems
- 28 proper.
- 29 (c) The reviewing court may affirm the decision and order of
- 30 the commission, may remand the case for further proceedings, or

- 1 may reverse the decision if the substantive rights of the
- 2 petitioner have been prejudiced because the decision is:
- 3 (1) In violation of constitutional provisions.
- 4 (2) In excess of the statutory authority and
- 5 jurisdiction of the commission.
- 6 (3) Arbitrary or capricious or otherwise not in
- 7 accordance with law.
- 8 (d) In order to protect the public interest and the
- 9 regulatory authority of the commission, any action by the
- 10 commission taken pursuant to the provisions of this act shall
- 11 not be subject to the injunctive authority of the Commonwealth
- 12 Court prior to the exhaustion of the administrative procedures
- 13 herein specified, unless it shall appear evident to the court,
- 14 by clear and convincing evidence, that a manifest denial of
- 15 justice would be effectuated by the refusal to enjoin the
- 16 contemplated action of the commission.
- 17 CHAPTER 8
- 18 SANCTIONS
- 19 Section 801. Penalties for willful evasion of payment of
- 20 license fees, other acts and omissions.
- 21 Any person who willfully fails to report, pay or truthfully
- 22 account for and pay over any license fee or tax imposed by the
- 23 provisions of this act, or willfully attempts in any manner to
- 24 evade or defeat any such license fee, tax, or payment thereof is
- 25 guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to not more than three years
- 26 imprisonment or a fine of \$25,000 or both, and in the case of a
- 27 person other than a natural person, to a fine of not more than
- 28 \$100,000, and shall in addition be liable for a penalty of three
- 29 times the amount of the license fee evaded and not paid,
- 30 collected or paid over, which penalty shall be assessed by the

- 1 commission and collected in accordance with the provisions of
- 2 this act.
- 3 Section 802. Unlicensed casino gambling games unlawful;
- 4 penalties.
- 5 (a) Any person who permits any gambling game, slot machine
- 6 or device to be conducted, operated, dealt or carried on in any
- 7 casino by a person other than a person licensed for such
- 8 purposes pursuant to this act is guilty of a misdemeanor and
- 9 subject to a term of imprisonment of not more than three years
- 10 or a fine of \$25,000 or both, and in the case of a person other
- 11 than a natural person, to a fine of not more than \$100,000.
- 12 (b) Any licensee who places games or slot machines into play
- 13 or displays such games or slot machines in a casino without
- 14 authority of the commission to do so is guilty of a misdemeanor
- 15 and subject to not more than three years imprisonment or a fine
- 16 of \$25,000 or both, and in the case of a person other than a
- 17 natural person, to a fine of not more than \$100,000.
- 18 (c) Any person who operates, carries on or exposes for play
- 19 any gambling game, gaming device or slot machine after his
- 20 license has expired and prior to the actual renewal thereof is
- 21 guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to not more than three years
- 22 imprisonment or a fine of \$25,000 or both, and in the case of a
- 23 person other than a natural person, to a fine of not more than
- 24 \$100,000.
- 25 Section 803. Swindling and cheating; penalties.
- Any person who by any trick or slight of hand performance, or
- 27 by a fraud or fraudulent scheme, cards, dice or device, wins for
- 28 himself or for another, money or property or a representative of
- 29 either in connection with casino gaming is guilty of a
- 30 misdemeanor and subject to not more than three years

- 1 imprisonment or a fine of \$25,000 or both, and in the case of a
- 2 person other than a natural person to a fine of not more than
- 3 \$100,000.
- 4 Section 804. Unlawful use of bogus chips, marked cards, dice,
- 5 cheating devices, unlawful coins; penalty.
- 6 (a) It shall be unlawful for any person playing any licensed
- 7 gambling game:
- 8 (1) Knowingly to use bogus or counterfeit chips, or
- 9 knowingly to substitute and use in any such game cards or
- 10 dice that have been marked, loaded or tampered with.
- 11 (2) Knowingly to use or possess any cheating device with
- intent to cheat or defraud.
- 13 (b) It shall be unlawful for any person, playing or using
- 14 any slot machine in a licensed casino:
- 15 (1) Knowingly to use other than a lawful coin or legal
- tender of the United States of America, or to use coin not of
- 17 the same denomination as the coin intended to be used in such
- 18 slot machine, except that in the playing of any slot machine
- 19 it shall be lawful for any person to use tokens or similar
- objects therein which are approved by the commission.
- 21 (2) To use any cheating or thieving device, including
- 22 but not limited to tools, drills, wires, coins or tokens
- 23 attached to strings or wires, or electronic or magnetic
- devices, to facilitate the alignment of any winning
- combination or removing from any slot machine any money or
- other contents thereof.
- 27 (c) It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to possess
- 28 or use while on the premises of a licensed casino, any cheating
- 29 or thieving device, including but not limited to tools, wires,
- 30 drills, coins attached to strings or wires or electronic or

- 1 magnetic devices to facilitate removing from any slot machine
- 2 any money or contents thereof, except that a duly authorized
- 3 employee of a licensed casino may possess and use any of the
- 4 foregoing only in furtherance of his employment in the casino.
- 5 (d) It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to possess
- 6 or use while on the premises of any licensed casino any key or
- 7 device designed for the purpose of or suitable for opening or
- 8 entering any slot machine or drop box, except that a duly
- 9 authorized employee of a licensed casino or of the commission
- 10 may possess and use any of the foregoing only in furtherance of
- 11 his employment.
- 12 (e) Any person who violates this section is guilty of a
- 13 misdemeanor and shall be subject to not more than three years
- 14 imprisonment or a fine of \$25,000 or both, and in the case of a
- 15 person other than a natural person, to a fine of not more than
- 16 \$100,000.
- 17 Section 805. Cheating games and devices in a licensed casino;
- 18 penalty.
- 19 (a) It shall be unlawful:
- 20 (1) Knowingly to conduct, carry on, operate, deal or
- 21 allow to be conducted, carried on, operated or dealt any
- 22 cheating or thieving game or device.
- 23 (2) Knowingly to deal, conduct, carry on, operate or
- 24 expose for play any game or games played with cards, dice or
- any mechanical device, or any combination of games or
- devices, which have in any manner been marked or tampered
- 27 with, or placed in a condition, or operated in a manner, the
- 28 result of which tends to deceive the public or tends to alter
- 29 the normal random selection of characteristics or the normal
- 30 chance of the game which could determine or alter the result

- 1 of the game.
- 2 (b) It shall be unlawful knowingly to use or possess any
- 3 marked cards, loaded dice, plugged or tampered with machines or
- 4 devices.
- 5 (c) Any person who violates this section is guilty of a
- 6 misdemeanor and subject to not more than three years
- 7 imprisonment or a fine of \$25,000 or both, and in the case of a
- 8 person other than a natural person, to a fine of not more than
- 9 \$100,000.
- 10 Section 806. Unlawful possession of device, equipment or
- other material illegally manufactured,
- 12 distributed, sold or serviced.
- Any person who possesses any device, equipment or material
- 14 which he knows has been manufactured, distributed, sold,
- 15 tampered with or serviced in violation of the provisions of this
- 16 act is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to not more than
- 17 three years imprisonment or a fine of \$25,000 or both, and in
- 18 the case of a person other than a natural person, to a fine of
- 19 not more than \$100,000.
- 20 Section 807. Employment without license and work permit;
- 21 penalty.
- 22 (a) Any person who, without obtaining the requisite license
- 23 as provided in this act, works or is employed in a position
- 24 whose duties would require licensing under the provisions of
- 25 this act is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to not more than
- 26 three years imprisonment or a fine of \$10,000 or both, and in
- 27 the case of a person other than a natural person, to a fine of
- 28 not more than \$50,000.
- 29 (b) Any person who employs or continues to employ an
- 30 individual not duly licensed under the provisions of this act in

- 1 a position whose duties require a license under the provisions
- 2 of this act is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to not more
- 3 than three years imprisonment or a fine of \$10,000 or both, and
- 4 in the case of a person other than a natural person, to a fine
- 5 of not more than \$50,000.
- 6 (c) Any person who employs an individual without obtaining a
- 7 work permit or does not return such permit as required by this
- 8 act, is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not
- 9 more than \$10,000, and in the case of a person other than a
- 10 natural person, to a fine of not more than \$50,000.
- 11 (d) Any person violating the provisions of this act relating
- 12 to collection of checks shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and
- 13 shall be subject to imprisonment for not more than seven years
- 14 or a fine of not more than \$25,000, or both. Any licensee
- 15 permitting or allowing such a violation shall also be punishable
- 16 under this subsection, in addition to any other sanctions the
- 17 commission may impose.
- 18 Section 808. Unlawful entry by person whose name has been
- 19 placed on list; penalty.
- 20 Any person whose name is on the list of persons promulgated
- 21 by the commission pursuant to the provisions of this act who
- 22 knowingly enters the premises of a licensed casino is guilty of
- 23 a misdemeanor of the third degree.
- 24 Section 809. Gaming by minors prohibited; penalties; defenses.
- 25 (a) No person under the age of 18 years shall enter a
- 26 licensed casino except by way of passage to another room.
- 27 (b) Any licensee or employee of a casino who allows a minor
- 28 under the age of 18 to remain in a casino commits a summary
- 29 offense; except that the establishment of all of the following
- 30 facts by a person allowing any such minor to remain shall

- 1 constitute a defense to any prosecution therefor:
- 2 (1) That the minor falsely represented in writing that
- 3 he or she was 18 years of age or over.
- 4 (2) That the appearance of the minor was such than an
- 5 ordinary prudent person would believe him or her to be 18
- 6 years of age or over.
- 7 (3) That the admission was made in good faith, relying
- 8 upon such written representation and appearance, and in the
- 9 reasonable belief that the minor was actually 18 years of age
- or over.
- 11 Section 810. Prohibited political contributions; penalty.
- 12 Any person who makes or causes to be made a political
- 13 contribution prohibited by the provisions of this act, or files
- 14 or causes to be filed any report of political contributions
- 15 which misstates or omits any material fact with respect to such
- 16 contribution is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to not more
- 17 than three years imprisonment or a fine of \$100,000 or both, and
- 18 in the case of a person other than a natural person, to a fine
- 19 of not more than \$250,000.
- 20 Section 811. Authority of gaming licensee and agents to detain
- or question persons suspected of cheating;
- immunity from liability; posted notice required.
- 23 (a) Any licensee or its officers, employees or agents may
- 24 question any individual in the casino reasonably suspected of
- 25 violating any of the provisions of sections 802 through 806. No
- 26 licensee or its officers, employees or agents shall be
- 27 criminally or civilly liable by reason of any such questioning.
- 28 (b) Any licensee or its officers, employees or agents who
- 29 shall have probable cause for believing there has been a
- 30 violation of sections 802 through 806 in the casino by any

- 1 person may take such person into custody and detain him in the
- 2 establishment in a reasonable manner for a reasonable length of
- 3 time, for the purpose of notifying law enforcement or commission
- 4 authorities. Such taking into custody and detention shall not
- 5 render such licensee or its officers, employees or agents
- 6 criminally or civilly liable for false arrest, false
- 7 imprisonment, slander or unlawful detention, unless such taking
- 8 into custody or detention is unreasonable under all of the
- 9 circumstances.
- 10 (c) No licensee or his officers, employees or agents shall
- 11 be entitled to any immunity from civil or criminal liability
- 12 provided in this section unless there is displayed in a
- 13 conspicuous manner in the casino a notice in bold face type
- 14 clearly legible and in substantially this form:
- 15 "Any gaming licensee or officer, employee or agent thereof
- 16 who has probable cause for believing that any person is
- 17 violating any of the provisions of the "Commonwealth Casino
- 18 Control Act" prohibiting cheating or swindling in gaming may
- 19 detain such person in the establishment for the purpose of
- 20 notifying a police officer or Commonwealth Casino Control
- 21 Commission authorities."
- 22 Section 812. Other offenses; general penalty.
- 23 Any person who violates any provision of this act the penalty
- 24 for which is not specifically fixed in this act is guilty of a
- 25 disorderly persons offense.
- 26 Section 813. Continuing offenses.
- 27 (a) A violation of any of the provisions of this act shall
- 28 be deemed to be a separate offense on each day during which it
- 29 occurs.
- 30 (b) Any person who aids, abets, counsels, commands, induces,

- 1 procures or causes another to violate a provision of this act is
- 2 punishable as a principal and subject to all sanctions and
- 3 penalties, both civil and criminal, provided by this act.
- 4 Section 814. Exemption from gambling statutes.
- 5 The provisions of 18 Pa.C.S. § 5513 (relating to gambling
- 6 devices, gambling, etc.) and § 5514 (relating to pool selling
- 7 and bookmaking) shall not apply to any person who, as a licensee
- 8 operating pursuant to the provisions of this act, or as a player
- 9 in any game authorized pursuant to the provisions of this act,
- 10 engages in gaming as authorized herein.
- 11 Section 815. Racketeer; influenced and corrupt organizations;
- 12 definitions.
- For purposes of this section and sections 816 through 819:
- 14 (a) "Racketeering activity."
- 15 (1) Any act or threat involving murder, kidnapping,
- 16 gambling, arson, robbery, bribery, extortion, or dealing in
- 17 narcotic or other dangerous drugs, which is chargeable under
- the laws of this Commonwealth and punishable by imprisonment
- 19 for more than one year.
- 20 (2) Any act which is indictable under any of the
- 21 following provisions of Title 18, United States Code: section
- 22 201 (relating to bribery of public officials and witnesses),
- 23 section 224 (relating to bribery in sporting contests),
- sections 471 through 509 (relating to counterfeiting and
- forgery), section 659 (relating to interstate or foreign
- 26 shipments by carrier; State prosecutions) if the act
- 27 indictable under section 659 is felonious, section 664
- 28 (relating to theft or embezzlement from employee benefit
- 29 plan), sections 891 through 894 of Chapter 42 (relating to
- 30 extortionate credit transactions), section 1084 (relating to

- 1 the transmission of wagering information), section 1341
- 2 (relating to mail fraud), section 1343 (relating to wire
- fraud), section 1503 (relating to obstruction of justice),
- 4 section 1510 (relating to obstruction of criminal
- 5 investigations), section 1511 (relating to the obstruction of
- 6 State or local law enforcement), section 1951 (relating to
- 7 interference with commerce, robbery, or extortion), section
- 8 1952 (relating to racketeering), section 1953 (relating to
- 9 interstate transportation of wagering paraphernalia), section
- 10 1954 (relating to unlawful fund payments), section 1955
- 11 (relating to the prohibition of illegal gambling businesses),
- 12 sections 2314 and 2315 (relating to interstate transportation
- of stolen property), sections 2421 through 2424 (relating to
- 14 white slave traffic).
- 15 (3) Any act which is indictable under Title 29, United
- 16 States Code, section 186 (relating to restrictions on
- payments and loans to labor organizations) or section 501(c)
- 18 (relating to embezzlement from union funds).
- 19 (4) Any offense involving bankruptcy fraud, fraud in the
- 20 sale of securities, or the felonious manufacture,
- importation, receiving, concealment, buying, selling, or
- 22 otherwise dealing in narcotic or other dangerous drugs,
- 23 punishable under any law of the United States.
- 24 (b) "Person." Any individual or entity holding or capable
- 25 of holding a legal or beneficial interest in property.
- 26 (c) "Enterprise." Any individual, partnership, corporation,
- 27 association, or other legal entity, and any union or group of
- 28 individuals associated in fact although not a legal entity.
- 29 (d) "Pattern of racketeering activity." Requires at least
- 30 two acts of racketeering activity, one of which occurred after

- 1 the effective date of this act and the last of which occurred
- 2 within ten years (excluding any period of imprisonment) after
- 3 the commission of a prior act of racketeering activity.
- 4 (e) "Unlawful debt." A debt:
- 5 (1) Which was incurred or contracted in gambling
- 6 activity which was in violation of the law of the United
- 7 States, a state or political subdivision thereof.
- 8 (2) Which is unenforceable under Commonwealth or Federal
- 9 law in whole or in part as to principal or interest because
- of the laws relating to usury.
- 11 (3) Which was incurred in connection with the business
- of gambling in violation of the law of the United States, a
- 13 state or political subdivision thereof.
- 14 (4) Which was incurred in connection with the business
- of lending money or a thing of value at a rate usurious under
- 16 Commonwealth or Federal law, where the usurious rate is at
- 17 least twice the enforceable rate.
- 18 (f) "Documentary material." Any book, paper, document,
- 19 record, recording, or other material.
- 20 Section 816. Prohibited activities.
- 21 (a) It shall be unlawful for any person who has received any
- 22 income derived, directly or indirectly, from pattern of
- 23 racketeering activity or through collection of an unlawful debt
- 24 in which such person has participated as a principal to use or
- 25 invest, directly or indirectly, any part of such income, or the
- 26 proceeds of such income, in acquisition of any interest in, or
- 27 the establishment or operation of, any enterprise which is
- 28 engaged in or the activities of which affect casino gaming
- 29 operations or ancillary industries which do business with any
- 30 casino licensee. A purchase of securities on the open market for

- 1 purposes of investment, and without the intention of controlling
- 2 or participating in the control of the issuer or of assisting
- 3 another to do so, shall not be unlawful under this subsection,
- 4 provided that the sum total of the securities of the issuer held
- 5 by the purchaser, the members of his family, and his or their
- 6 accomplices in any pattern of racketeering activity or in the
- 7 collection of an unlawful debt does not amount in the aggregate
- 8 to 1% of the outstanding securities of any one class, or does
- 9 not, either in law or in fact, empower the holders thereof to
- 10 elect one or more directors of the issuer.
- 11 (b) It shall be unlawful for any person through a pattern of
- 12 racketeering activity or through collection of an unlawful debt
- 13 to acquire or maintain, directly or indirectly, any interest in
- 14 or control of any enterprise which is engaged in, or the
- 15 activities of which affect, casino gaming operations or
- 16 ancillary industries which do business with any casino licensee.
- 17 (c) It shall be unlawful for any person employed by or
- 18 associated with any enterprise engaged in, or the activities of
- 19 which affect, casino gaming operations or ancillary industries
- 20 which do business with any casino licensee, to conduct or
- 21 participate, directly or indirectly, in the conduct of such
- 22 enterprise's affairs through a pattern of racketeering activity
- 23 or collection of unlawful debt.
- 24 (d) It shall be unlawful for any person to conspire to
- 25 violate any of the provisions of subsections (a), (b) or (c).
- 26 (e) Any person who violates any provision of this section
- 27 shall be fined not more than \$50,000 or imprisoned not more than
- 28 20 years or both and shall forfeit to the Commonwealth:
- 29 (1) Any interest he has acquired or maintained in
- 30 violation of this section.

- 1 (2) Any interest in, security of, claim against, or
- 2 property or contractual right of any kind affording a source
- 3 of influence over any enterprise which he has established,
- 4 operated, controlled, conducted, or participated in the
- 5 conduct of, in violation of this section.
- 6 (f) In any action brought by the Attorney General under this
- 7 section, the Commonwealth Court shall have jurisdiction to enter
- 8 such restraining orders or prohibitions, or to take such other
- 9 actions, including but not limited to, the acceptance of
- 10 satisfactory performance bonds, in connection with any property
- 11 or other interest subject to forfeiture under this section, as
- 12 it shall deem proper.
- 13 (g) Upon conviction of a person under this section, the
- 14 court shall authorize the Attorney General to seize all property
- 15 or other interest declared forfeited under this section upon
- 16 such terms and conditions as the court shall deem proper. If a
- 17 property right or other interest is not exercisable or
- 18 transferable for value by the Commonwealth, it shall expire and
- 19 shall not revert to the convicted person.
- 20 Section 817. Civil remedies.
- 21 (a) The Commonwealth Court shall have jurisdiction to
- 22 prevent and restrain violations of section 816 by issuing
- 23 appropriate orders, including, but not limited to, ordering any
- 24 person to divest himself of any interest, direct or indirect, in
- 25 any enterprise; imposing reasonable restrictions on the future
- 26 activities or investments of any person, including, but not
- 27 limited to, prohibiting any person from engaging in the same
- 28 type of endeavor as the enterprise engaged in, the activities of
- 29 which affect casino gaming operations or ancillary industries
- 30 which do business with any casino licensee; or ordering

- 1 dissolution or reorganization of any enterprise, making due
- 2 provision for the rights of innocent persons.
- 3 (b) The Attorney General may institute proceedings in
- 4 Commonwealth Court for violations of section 816. In any action
- 5 brought under this section, the court shall proceed as soon as
- 6 practicable to the hearing and determination thereof. Pending
- 7 final determination thereof, the court may at any time enter
- 8 such restraining orders or prohibitions, or take such other
- 9 actions, including the acceptance of satisfactory performance
- 10 bonds, as it shall deem proper.
- 11 (c) Any person injured in his business or property by reason
- 12 of a violation of section 816 may sue therefor in any
- 13 appropriate court and shall recover threefold any damages he
- 14 sustains and the cost of the suit, including a reasonable
- 15 attorney's fee.
- 16 (d) A final judgment or decree rendered in favor of the
- 17 Commonwealth in any criminal proceeding brought under this act
- 18 shall estop the defendant from denying the essential allegations
- 19 of the criminal offense in any subsequent civil proceeding
- 20 brought by the Attorney General.
- 21 Section 818. Civil investigative demand.
- 22 (a) Whenever the Attorney General has reason to believe that
- 23 any person or enterprise may be in possession, custody, or
- 24 control of any documentary materials relevant to an
- 25 investigation under this act, he may, prior to the institution
- 26 of a civil or criminal proceeding thereon, issue in writing, and
- 27 cause to be served upon such person, a civil investigative
- 28 demand requiring such person to produce such material for
- 29 examination.
- 30 (b) Each such demand shall:

- 1 (1) State the nature of the conduct constituting the 2 alleged violation which is under investigation and the
- 3 provision of law applicable thereto.
- 4 (2) Describe the class or classes of documentary
 5 material to be produced thereunder with such specificity and
 6 certainty as to permit such material to be fairly identified.
- 7 (3) Prescribe a return date which will provide a
 8 reasonable period of time within which the material so
 9 demanded may be assembled and made available for inspection
 10 and copying or reproduction.
- 11 (4) Identify the custodian to whom such material shall be made available.
- 13 (c) No such demand shall:
- 14 (1) Contain any requirement which would be held to be
 15 unreasonable if contained in a subpoena duces tecum issued in
 16 aid of a grand jury investigation.
- 17 (2) Require the production of any documentary evidence 18 which would be otherwise privileged from disclosure if 19 demanded by a subpoena duces tecum issued in aid of a grand 20 jury investigation.
- 21 (d) Service of any such demand or any petition filed under 22 this section may be made upon a person by:
- 23 (1) Delivering a duly executed copy thereof to any
 24 partner, executive officer, managing agent, or general agent
 25 thereof, or to any agent thereof authorized by appointment or
 26 by law to receive service of process on behalf of such
 27 person, or upon any individual person.
- 28 (2) Delivering a duly executed copy thereof to the
 29 principal office or place of business of the person to be
 30 served.

- 1 (3) Depositing such copy in the United States mail, by
- 2 registered or certified mail duly addressed to such person at
- 3 its principal office or place of business.
- 4 (e) A verified return by the individual serving any demand
- 5 or petition setting forth the manner of such service shall be
- 6 prima facie proof of such service. In the case of service by
- 7 registered or certified mail, such return shall be accompanied
- 8 by the return post office receipt of delivery of such demand.
- 9 (f) Any person upon whom any demand issued under this
- 10 section has been duly served shall make such material available
- 11 for inspection and copying or reproduction to the Attorney
- 12 General at the principal place of business of such person, or at
- 13 such other place as the Attorney General and such person
- 14 thereafter may agree and prescribe in writing, on the return
- 15 date specified in such demand or on such later date as the
- 16 Attorney General may prescribe in writing. Upon written
- 17 agreement between such person and the Attorney General, copies
- 18 may be substituted for all or any part of such original
- 19 materials. The Attorney General may cause the preparation of
- 20 such copies of documentary material as may be required for
- 21 official use by the Attorney General. While in the possession of
- 22 the Attorney General, no material so produced shall be available
- 23 for examination, without the consent of the person who produced
- 24 such material, by any individual other than the Attorney General
- 25 or his duly appointed representatives. Under such reasonable
- 26 terms and conditions as the Attorney General shall prescribe,
- 27 documentary material while in his possession shall be available
- 28 for examination by the person who produced such material or any
- 29 duly authorized representatives of such person.
- 30 (g) Upon completion of the review and investigation for

- 1 which any documentary material was produced under this action,
- 2 and any case or proceeding arising from such investigation, the
- 3 Attorney General shall return to the person who produced such
- 4 material all such material other than copies thereof made by the
- 5 Attorney General pursuant to this section which has not passed
- 6 into the control of any court or grand jury through the
- 7 introduction thereof into the record of such case or proceeding.
- 8 (h) When any documentary material has been produced by any
- 9 person under this section for use in any racketeering
- 10 investigation, and no such case or proceeding arising therefrom
- 11 has been instituted within a reasonable time after completion of
- 12 the examination and analysis of all evidence assembled in the
- 13 course of such investigation, such person shall be entitled,
- 14 upon written demand made upon the Attorney General, to the
- 15 return of all documentary material other than copies thereof
- 16 made pursuant to this section so produced by such person.
- 17 (i) Whenever any person fails to comply with any civil
- 18 investigative demand duly served upon him under this section or
- 19 whenever satisfactory copying or reproduction of any such
- 20 material cannot be done and such person refuses to surrender
- 21 such material, the Attorney General may file in the Commonwealth
- 22 Court a petition for an order of such court for the enforcement
- 23 of this section.
- 24 (j) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any
- 25 situation covered by the provisions of this act relating to
- 26 searches by division employees and agents, and shall in no way
- 27 limit the bureau's authority under such provisions.
- 28 Section 819. Supplemental sanctions.
- In addition to any penalty, fine or term of imprisonment
- 30 authorized by law, the commission shall, after appropriate

- 1 hearings and factual determinations, have the authority to
- 2 impose the following sanctions upon any person licensed pursuant
- 3 to this act:
- 4 (1) revoke the license of any person for the conviction
- of any criminal offense under this act or for the commission
- of any other offense or violation of this act which would
- disqualify such person from holding his license;
- 8 (2) revoke the license of any person for willfully and
- 9 knowingly violating an order of the commission directed to
- 10 such person;
- 11 (3) suspend the license of any person pending hearing
- and determination, in any case in which license revocation
- 13 could result;
- 14 (4) suspend the operation certificate of any casino for
- violation of any provisions of this act or regulations
- 16 promulgated hereunder related to the casino operation,
- including games, internal and accountancy controls and
- 18 security;
- 19 (5) assess such civil penalties as may be necessary to
- 20 punish misconduct and to deter future violations, which
- 21 penalties may not exceed \$10,000 in the case of any
- 22 individual licensee, except that in the case of a casino
- licensee the penalty may not exceed \$50,000;
- 24 (6) order restitution of any moneys or property
- unlawfully obtained or retained by a licensee;
- 26 (7) enter a cease and desist order which specifies the
- 27 conduct which is to be discontinued, altered or implemented
- 28 by the licensee;
- 29 (8) issue letters of reprimand or censure, which letters
- 30 shall be made a permanent part of the file of each licensee

- 1 so sanctioned; or
- 2 (9) impose any or all of the foregoing sanctions in
- 3 combination with each other.
- 4 Section 820. Imposition of sanctions; standards.
- 5 In considering appropriate sanctions in a particular case,
- 6 the commission shall consider:
- 7 (1) the risk to the public and to the integrity of
- 8 gaming operations created by the conduct of the licensee;
- 9 (2) the seriousness of the conduct of the licensee, and
- 10 whether the conduct was purposeful and with knowledge that it
- 11 was in contravention of the provisions of this act or
- regulations promulgated hereunder;
- 13 (3) any justification or excuse for such conduct by the
- 14 licensee;
- 15 (4) the prior history of the particular licensee
- involved with respect to gaming activity;
- 17 (5) the corrective action taken by the licensee to
- 18 prevent future misconduct of a like nature from occurring;
- 19 (6) in the case of a monetary penalty, the amount of the
- 20 penalty in relation to the severity of the misconduct and the
- 21 financial means of the licensee. The commission may impose
- 22 any schedule or terms of payment of such penalty as it may
- 23 deem appropriate; and
- 24 (7) it shall be no defense to a disciplinary action
- before the commission that an applicant, licensee,
- registrant, intermediary company, or holding company
- 27 inadvertently, unintentionally, or unknowingly violated a
- 28 provision of this act. Such factors shall only go the degree
- of the penalty to be imposed by the commission, and not to a
- 30 finding of a violation itself.

1 CHAPTER 9

2 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 3 Section 901. Declaration of Commonwealth's exemption from
- 4 operation of provisions of 15 U.S.C. § 1172.
- 5 Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1172, the Commonwealth of
- 6 Pennsylvania, acting by and through the duly elected and
- 7 qualified members of its General Assembly, does hereby, in
- 8 accordance with and in compliance with the provisions of such
- 9 section, declare and proclaim that it is exempt from the
- 10 provisions of section 2 of said act of Congress.
- 11 Section 902. Legal shipments of gaming devices into
- 12 Pennsylvania.
- 13 All shipments into this Commonwealth of gaming devices,
- 14 including slot machines, the registering, recording and labeling
- 15 of which has been duly had by the manufacturer or dealer thereof
- 16 in accordance with 15 U.S.C. § 1173 and 1174, shall be deemed
- 17 legal shipments thereof into this Commonwealth.
- 18 Section 903. Severability and preemption.
- 19 (a) If any clause, sentence, subparagraph, paragraph,
- 20 subsection, section, chapter or other portion of this act or the
- 21 application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be held
- 22 to be invalid, such holding shall not affect, impair or
- 23 invalidate the remainder of this act or the application of such
- 24 portion held invalid to any other person or circumstances, but
- 25 shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence,
- 26 paragraph, subparagraph, paragraph, subsection, section, chapter
- 27 or other portion thereof directly involved in such holding or to
- 28 the person or circumstance therein involved.
- 29 (b) If any provision of this act is inconsistent with, in
- 30 conflict with, or contrary to any other provision of law, such

- 1 provision of this act shall prevail over such other provision
- 2 and such other provision shall be deemed to be amended,
- 3 superseded or repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or
- 4 conflict. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the
- 5 contrary, no local government unit of this Commonwealth may
- 6 enact or enforce any ordinance or resolution conflicting with
- 7 any provision of this act or with any policy of this
- 8 Commonwealth expressed or implied herein, whether by exclusion
- 9 or inclusion. The commission shall have exclusive jurisdiction
- 10 over all matters delegated to it or within the scope of its
- 11 powers under the provisions of this act.
- 12 Section 904. Equal employment opportunity; requirements of
- license.
- 14 (a) Each applicant at the time of submitting architectural
- 15 plans or site plans to the commission for approval of proposed
- 16 construction, renovation or reconstruction of any structure or
- 17 facility to be used as an approved hotel or casino shall
- 18 accompany same with a written guaranty that all contracts and
- 19 subcontracts to be awarded in connection therewith shall contain
- 20 appropriate provisions by which contractors and subcontractors
- 21 or their assignees agree to afford an equal employment
- 22 opportunity to all prospective employees and to all actual
- 23 employees to be employed by the contractor or subcontractor in
- 24 accordance with an affirmative action program approved by the
- 25 commission and consonant with the provisions of the act of
- 26 October 27, 1955 (P.L.744, No.222), as amended, known as the
- 27 "Pennsylvania Human Relations Act."
- 28 (b) No license shall be issued by the commission to any
- 29 applicant, including a casino service industry as defined in
- 30 this act, who has not agreed to afford an equal employment

- 1 opportunity to all prospective employees in accordance with an
- 2 affirmative-action program approved by the commission and
- 3 consonant with the provisions of the "Pennsylvania Human
- 4 Relations Act."
- 5 (c) Each applicant shall formulate for commission approval
- 6 and abide by an affirmative-action program of equal opportunity
- 7 whereby the applicant guarantees to provide equal employment
- 8 opportunity to rehabilitated offenders eligible for employment
- 9 under this act and members of minority groups qualified for
- 10 licensure in all employment categories, including the
- 11 handicapped, in accordance with the provisions of the
- 12 "Pennsylvania Human Relations Act," except in the case of the
- 13 mentally handicapped, if it can be clearly shown that such
- 14 handicap would prevent such person from performing a particular
- 15 job.
- 16 (d) Any license issued by the commission in violation of
- 17 this section shall be null and void.
- 18 Section 905. Equal employment opportunity; enforcement by the
- 19 commission.
- The commission, in addition to and without limitation of
- 21 other powers which it may have by law, shall have the following
- 22 powers:
- 23 (1) to investigate and determine the percentage of
- 24 population of minority groups in the Commonwealth or in areas
- 25 thereof from which the work force for the licensee is or may
- 26 be drawn;
- 27 (2) to establish and promulgate such percentages as
- guidelines in determining the adequacy of affirmative-action
- 29 programs submitted for approval pursuant to the provisions of
- 30 section 904;

- 1 (3) to impose such sanctions as may be necessary to
- 2 accomplish the objectives of section 904;
- 3 (4) to refer to the Pennsylvania Human Relations
- 4 Commission circumstances which may constitute violation of
- 5 the "Pennsylvania Human Relations Act";
- 6 (5) to enforce in a court of law the provisions of
- 7 section 904 or to join in or assist any enforcement
- 8 proceeding initiated by any aggrieved person; and
- 9 (6) to require the designation by a licensee of an equal
- 10 employment officer to enforce the provisions of section 904
- and this section and the regulations promulgated hereunder.
- 12 Section 906. Facilities for the handicapped.
- 13 All hotels and other facilities of a casino licensee, which
- 14 are public accommodations and are subject to the regulatory
- 15 powers of the commission under this act, shall be constructed or
- 16 renovated to conform with the provisions of the act of September
- 17 1, 1965 (P.L.459, No.235), as amended, relating to standards and
- 18 specifications to make certain buildings accessible to the
- 19 physically handicapped and regulations issued by the Department
- 20 of Labor and Industry.
- 21 Section 907. Early settlement dates and certain transfers of
- gaming property prohibited.
- 23 When any person contracts to sell or lease any property or
- 24 interest in property, real or personal, under circumstances
- 25 which require the approval or licensing of the purchaser or
- 26 lessee by the commission, the contract shall not specify a
- 27 settlement or closing date for the transaction which is earlier
- 28 than the ninety-first day after the date of submission of the
- 29 completed application for such approval or licensing. Any
- 30 provision of such a contract which specifies an earlier

- 1 settlement or closing date is void for all purposes, but such
- 2 invalidity shall not affect the validity of any other provision
- 3 of the contract.
- 4 Section 908. Prohibited political contributions.
- 5 No applicant for or holder of a casino license, nor any
- 6 holding, intermediary or subsidiary company thereof, nor any
- 7 officer, director, casino key employee or principal employee of
- 8 an applicant for or holder of a casino license or of any
- 9 holding, intermediary or subsidiary company thereof nor any
- 10 person or agent on behalf of any such applicant, holder, company
- 11 or person, shall directly or indirectly, pay or contribute any
- 12 money or thing of value to any candidate for nomination or
- 13 election to any public office in this Commonwealth, or to any
- 14 committee of any political party in this Commonwealth, or to any
- 15 group, committee or association organized in support of any such
- 16 candidate or political party.
- 17 CHAPTER 10
- 18 FEES AND TAXES
- 19 Section 1001. Casino license fees.
- 20 (a) The commission shall, by regulation, establish annual
- 21 fees for the issuance or renewal of casino licenses. The
- 22 issuance fee shall be based upon the cost of investigation and
- 23 consideration of the license application and shall be not less
- 24 than \$200,000. The renewal fee shall be based upon the cost of
- 25 maintaining control and regulatory activities contemplated by
- 26 this act and shall be not less than \$100,000 annually.
- 27 (b) The Attorney General shall certify to the commission
- 28 actual and prospective costs of the investigative and
- 29 enforcement functions of the bureau, which costs shall be the
- 30 basis, together with the operating expenses of the commission,

- 1 for the establishment of annual license issuance and renewal
- 2 fees.
- 3 (c) A nonrefundable deposit of at least \$100,000 shall be
- 4 required to be posted with each application for a casino license
- 5 and shall be applied to the initial license fee if the
- 6 application is approved.
- 7 Section 1002. License fee on slot machines.
- 8 (a) In addition to any other tax or fee imposed by this act,
- 9 there is also hereby imposed an annual license fee of \$200 upon
- 10 every slot machine which is subject to the occupational tax on
- 11 coin-operated devices under the provisions of the Federal
- 12 Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and the amendments thereof and
- 13 supplements thereto.
- 14 (b) License fees imposed under the provisions of this
- 15 section shall be imposed as of the first day of July of each
- 16 year, with regard to all slot machines in use on that date, and
- 17 on a pro rata basis thereafter during the year with regard to
- 18 all slot machines placed in use after July 1.
- 19 Section 1003. License fees for other than casino licenses.
- The commission shall, by regulation, establish annual fees
- 21 for the issuance and renewal of licenses other than casino
- 22 licenses, which fees shall be payable by the licensee.
- 23 Section 1004. Work permit fee.
- 24 The commission shall, by regulation, establish annual fees
- 25 for the issuance and renewal of work permits for the various
- 26 classes of employees, which fees shall be payable by the
- 27 employer licensee.
- 28 Section 1005. Casino Control Fund.
- 29 (a) There is hereby created and established in the
- 30 Commonwealth Treasury a separate special account to be known as

- 1 the "Commonwealth Casino Control Fund," into which shall be
- 2 deposited all license fee revenues imposed by this chapter.
- 3 (b) Moneys in the Commonwealth Casino Control Fund shall be
- 4 appropriated exclusively for the operating expenses of the
- 5 commission and the bureau.
- 6 Section 1006. Tax on gross revenues.
- 7 (a) There is hereby imposed an annual tax on gross revenues
- 8 as hereinbefore defined in the amount of 8% of such gross
- 9 revenues.
- 10 (b) Commencing with the third annual tax return of a
- 11 licensee and based upon a determination that in said return or
- 12 any annual return thereafter the gross revenue of a licensee in
- 13 the calendar year upon which the tax is based exceeds the
- 14 cumulative investments in this Commonwealth of said licensee as
- 15 of that year, such licensee shall make investments in an amount
- 16 not less than 2% of the gross revenue for said calendar year
- 17 within a period of five years from the end of said calendar
- 18 year. Investments required as a result of any of the five annual
- 19 tax returns commencing with the third annual tax return shall be
- 20 made in the municipality in which the licensed premises are
- 21 located. Not less than 50% of investments required as a result
- 22 of any annual tax return subsequent to the seventh such return
- 23 shall be made in any other municipality of this Commonwealth.
- 24 All investments and cumulative investments made pursuant to
- 25 this chapter shall be subject to a determination by the
- 26 commission as to the eligibility of such investments. In
- 27 determining eligibility, the commission shall consider the
- 28 public interest, including the social and economic benefits to
- 29 be derived from such investments for the people of this
- 30 Commonwealth.

- 1 (c) For the purposes of this chapter, "investments" means
- 2 equity investments in land and real property on which
- 3 improvements are made and in real property improvements. For the
- 4 purposes of this chapter, "cumulative investments" means
- 5 investments in and debt financing of the licensed premises, plus
- 6 other investments in and debt financing of land and real
- 7 property on which improvements are made and real property
- 8 improvements; provided, however, that the investments and debt
- 9 financing not associated with the licensed premises have been
- 10 made subsequent to July 6, 1976. Real property and real property
- 11 improvements sold or otherwise disposed of by the licensee shall
- 12 not be included for the purposes of determining cumulative
- 13 investments.
- 14 (d) For the purposes of satisfying the amount of investments
- 15 in any given year and of determining cumulative investments as
- 16 of any given year, pursuant to subsection (b), actual monetary
- 17 contributions shall be included if the commission determines
- 18 that such contributions directly relate to the improvement,
- 19 furtherance, and promotion of the tourist industry in this
- 20 Commonwealth through the planning, acquisition, construction,
- 21 improvement, maintenance, and operation of recreational and
- 22 entertainment facilities for the public, including, without
- 23 limitation, a performing arts center.
- 24 (e) In the event that the investments required in subsection
- 25 (b) are not made within the time set forth therein, there shall
- 26 be imposed an investment alternative tax in an amount equivalent
- 27 to 2% of gross revenue, which tax shall be added to the tax
- 28 determined under subsection (a) and shall be due and payable in
- 29 accordance with this section. For purposes of determining
- 30 whether the investment alternative tax shall be paid, the State

- 1 Treasurer shall certify, under such rules and regulations as he
- 2 shall promulgate consistent with the provisions of this chapter,
- 3 the amount of cumulative investments made by each licensee. In
- 4 the event of the sale or other disposition of the licensed
- 5 premises, any investment obligation imposed by subsection (b),
- 6 which is not satisfied shall be immediately deemed due and
- 7 payable as investment alternative tax, and said amount shall
- 8 constitute a lien upon the licensed premises until paid,
- 9 together with interest at the rate of 6% per annum.
- 10 (f) The commission shall promulgate rules and regulations
- 11 consistent with the provisions of this chapter as to the
- 12 eligibility of the investments and cumulative investments
- 13 required by this chapter.
- 14 Section 1007. Commonwealth Casino Revenue Fund.
- 15 (a) There is hereby created and established in the
- 16 Commonwealth Treasury a separate special account to be known as
- 17 the "Commonwealth Casino Revenue Fund," into which shall be
- 18 deposited all revenues from the tax imposed by section 1006.
- 19 (b) The commission shall require at least monthly deposits
- 20 by the licensee of the tax at such times, under such conditions,
- 21 and in such depositories as shall be prescribed by the State
- 22 Treasurer. The deposits shall be deposited to the credit of the
- 23 Commonwealth Casino Revenue Fund. The commission may require a
- 24 monthly report and reconciliation statement, to be filed with it
- 25 on or before the tenth day of each month, with respect to gross
- 26 revenues and deposits received and made, respectively, during
- 27 the preceding month.
- 28 (c) Moneys in the Commonwealth Casino Revenue Fund shall be
- 29 appropriated, exclusively for reductions in property taxes,
- 30 rentals, telephone, gas, electric, and municipal utilities

- 1 charges of eligible senior citizens and disabled residents of
- 2 the Commonwealth as shall be provided by law.
- 3 Section 1008. Payment of taxes.
- 4 The tax imposed under section 1006 hereof shall be due and
- 5 payable annually on or before March 15 and shall be based upon
- 6 gross revenues derived during the previous calendar year. A
- 7 licensee shall file its first return and shall report gross
- 8 revenues from the time it commenced operations and ending on the
- 9 last day of said calendar year. Such report shall be filed with
- 10 the commission on or before the following March 15.
- 11 Section 1009. Determination of tax liability.
- 12 If a return or deposit required by section 1007 is not filed
- 13 or paid, or if a return or deposit when filed or paid is
- 14 incorrect or insufficient in the opinion of the State Treasurer,
- 15 the amount of tax due or deposit shall be determined by the
- 16 State Treasurer from such information as may be available.
- 17 Notice of such determination shall be given to the licensee
- 18 liable for the payment of the tax or deposit. Such determination
- 19 shall finally and irrevocably fix the tax unless the person
- 20 against whom it is assessed, within 30 days after receiving
- 21 notice of such determination, shall apply to the State Treasurer
- 22 for a hearing, or unless the State Treasurer on his own motion
- 23 shall redetermine the same. After such hearing the State
- 24 Treasurer shall give notice of his determination to the person
- 25 against whom the tax is assessed.
- 26 Section 1010. Penalties.
- 27 (a) Any licensee who shall fail to file his return when due
- 28 or to pay any tax or deposit when the same becomes due, as
- 29 herein provided, shall be subject to such penalties and interest
- 30 as are provided for in section 403 of the act of March 4, 1971

- 1 (P.L.6, No.2), as amended, known as the "Tax Reform Code of
- 2 1971." If the State Treasurer determines that the failure to
- 3 comply with any provision of this chapter was excusable under
- 4 the circumstances, he may remit such part or all of the penalty
- 5 as shall be appropriate under such circumstances.
- 6 (b) Any person failing to file a return, failing to pay the
- 7 tax or deposit, or filing or causing to be filed, or making or
- 8 causing to be made, or giving or causing to be given any return,
- 9 certificate, affidavit, representation, information, testimony
- 10 or statement required or authorized by this act, or rules or
- 11 regulations adopted hereunder which is willfully false, or
- 12 failing to keep any records required by this act or rules and
- 13 regulations adopted hereunder, shall, in addition to any other
- 14 penalties herein or elsewhere prescribed, be guilty of a
- 15 misdemeanor and subject to not more than three years
- 16 imprisonment or a fine of \$100,000 or both.
- 17 (c) The certificate of the State Treasurer to the effect
- 18 that a tax or deposit has not been paid, that a return has not
- 19 been filed, that information has not been supplied, or that
- 20 inaccurate information has been supplied pursuant to the
- 21 provisions of this act or rules or regulations adopted
- 22 hereunder, shall be presumptive evidence thereof.
- 23 (d) If any part of any underpayment of tax required to be
- 24 shown on a return is due to fraud, there shall be added to the
- 25 tax an amount equal to 50% of the underpayment.
- 26 Section 1011. Forms.
- 27 In addition to the other powers granted by this act, the
- 28 commission is hereby authorized and empowered to promulgate and
- 29 distribute all forms and returns necessary to the implementation
- 30 of this act.

1 CHAPTER 11

2 APPROPRIATIONS AND EFFECTIVE DATE

- 3 Section 1101. Appropriations.
- 4 (a) There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$800,000 or as
- 5 much thereof as may be necessary for initial expenses of the
- 6 commission.
- 7 (b) There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$3,300,000 or as
- 8 much thereof as may be necessary to the Department of Justice
- 9 for the operating expenses of the bureau and other agencies
- 10 directly related to the enforcement of this act.
- 11 (c) The sums hereinabove appropriated shall be repaid to the
- 12 General Fund from the first proceeds received in the
- 13 Commonwealth Casino Control Fund during the first six years of
- 14 its operation.
- 15 Section 1102. Effective date.
- 16 This act shall take effect immediately.