

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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TRELLO, MELIO, LAUGHLIN, COLAFELLA, MIHALICH, BOSCOLA AND
RAMOS, MARCH 12, 1997

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 12, 1997

AN ACT

1 Providing for nonbinding Statewide referenda to determine the
2 will of the electorate related to riverboat and other gaming
3 devices and activities.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Referenda.

7 (a) Secretary of Commonwealth duties.--The Secretary of the
8 Commonwealth shall cause to be placed on the ballot, at the
9 primary election occurring at least 30 days next following the
10 effective date of this act, nonbinding referenda to determine
11 the will of the electorate of this Commonwealth with respect to
12 riverboat gaming; gaming devices at racetracks; and video gaming
13 at establishments licensed by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control
14 Board.

15 (b) Questions.--The referenda questions shall be three
16 separate questions and shall be in substantially the following
17 forms:

1 (1) Do you favor the passage of legislation by the
2 General Assembly to permit riverboat gaming in
3 Pennsylvania?

4 (2) Do you favor the passage of legislation by the
5 General Assembly to permit gaming devices at horse
6 racetracks?

7 (3) Do you favor the passage of legislation by the
8 General Assembly to permit video gaming devices at
9 establishments licensed by the Pennsylvania Liquor
10 Control Board?

11 (c) Advertisement.--The referenda shall be advertised and
12 conducted in accordance with the provisions of the act of June
13 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election
14 Code.

15 Section 2. Effective date.

16 This act shall take effect immediately.