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AN ACT

Amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to gaming, further providing for definitions; and, in licensees, further providing for Category 3 slot machine license and providing for nongaming service providers.
The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
hereby enacts as follows:
Section 1. The definition of "gaming service provider" in
section 1103 of Title 4 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
Statutes is amended and the section is amended by adding
definitions to read:
§ 1103. Definitions.
The following words and phrases when used in this part shall
have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
context clearly indicates otherwise:
* * *
"Gaming floor." Any portion of a licensed facility where
slot machines or table games have been installed for use or
play.

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2 <u>"Gaming-related restricted area." An area of a licensed</u>
3 <u>facility where access is limited and specifically designated by</u>
4 <u>the board.</u>

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Gaming service provider." A person that is not <u>a nongaming</u>
<u>service provider or</u> required to be licensed as a manufacturer,
supplier, management company or gaming junket enterprise and[:
(1) provides goods or services to a slot machine
licensee or an applicant for a slot machine license for use

11 in the operation of a licensed facility; or

(2)] provides goods or services <u>that require access to</u>
 <u>the gaming floor or gaming-related restricted area</u> at a
 licensed facility.

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16 <u>"Nongaming service provider." A person that is not a gaming</u>
17 <u>service provider nor required to be licensed as a manufacturer,</u>
18 <u>supplier, management company or gaming junket enterprise and</u>

19 provides goods and services:

20 (1) to a slot machine licensee or applicant for a slot
 21 machine license for use in the operation of a licensed

22 facility; or

(2) that do not require access to the gaming floor or
 gaming-related restricted area at a licensed facility.

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Section 2. Section 1305(a)(1) of Title 4 is amended to read: 27 § 1305. Category 3 slot machine license.

28 (a) Eligibility.--

29 (1) A person may be eligible to apply for a Category 3
30 slot machine license if the applicant, its affiliate,

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1 intermediary, subsidiary or holding company has not applied for or been approved or issued a Category 1 or Category 2 2 3 slot machine license and the person is seeking to locate a Category 3 licensed facility in a well-established resort 4 5 hotel having no fewer than 275 guest rooms under common 6 ownership and having substantial year-round recreational 7 quest amenities. The applicant for a Category 3 license shall 8 be the owner or be a wholly owned subsidiary of the owner of 9 the well-established resort hotel. A Category 3 license may 10 only be granted upon the express condition that an individual may not enter a gaming area of the licensed facility if the 11 12 individual is not any of the following: 13 (i) A registered overnight guest of the well-

established resort hotel.

15 (ii) A patron of one or more of the amenities16 provided by the well-established resort hotel.

(iii) An authorized employee of the slot machine
 licensee, of a gaming service provider <u>or nongaming</u>
 <u>service provider</u>, of the board or of any regulatory,
 emergency response or law enforcement agency while
 engaged in the performance of the employee's duties.

(iv) An individual holding a valid membership
approved in accordance with paragraph (1.1) or a guest of
such individual.

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26 Section 3. Title 4 is amended by adding a section to read:
27 <u>§ 1317.3. Nongaming service provider.</u>

28 (a) Notification required.--

29 (1) A slot machine licensee or applicant for a slot
 30 machine license that contracts or otherwise does business

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1	with a nongaming service provider shall provide notification
2	to the board prior to:
3	(i) the nongaming service provider's provision of
4	goods and services at a licensed facility; or
5	(ii) the provision of goods and services for use in
6	the operation of a licensed facility.
7	(2) Notification under this section shall be on a form
8	and in a manner as the board requires. The board may require
9	a fee, which may not exceed \$100, to accompany the
10	notification.
11	(b) Contents of notificationNotification under this
12	section shall include:
13	(1) The name and business address of the nongaming
14	service provider.
15	(2) A description of the goods and services to be
16	provided.
17	(3) If the nature of the goods and services requires
18	access to a licensed facility, a description of the areas of
19	the licensed facility where employees or associated
20	individuals or entities of the nongaming service provider
21	will be located during the provision of goods and services.
22	(4) The length of time in which the slot machine
23	licensee or applicant for a slot machine license will
24	contract with or otherwise do business with the nongaming
25	service provider.
26	(5) An affirmation from the slot machine licensee or
27	applicant for a slot machine license certifying that the
28	licensee or applicant has performed due diligence regarding
29	the nongaming service provider and believes that the
30	nongaming service provider and its employees or associated

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1	individuals or entities will not adversely affect the public
2	interest or integrity of gaming.
3	(6) Any other information that the board deems
4	appropriate.
5	(c) Confirmation by board
6	(1) Upon receipt of the notification for a nongaming
7	service provider under this section:
8	(i) The board shall determine whether the nongaming
9	service provider appears on the list required by
10	subsection (j). If the nongaming service provider appears
11	on the list, the board may not issue confirmation to the
12	slot machine licensee or applicant for a slot machine
13	license. In such a case, the board shall inform the slot
14	machine licensee or applicant for a slot machine license
15	of the board's determination.
16	(ii) If subparagraph (i) does not apply, the board
17	shall provide confirmation to the slot machine licensee
18	or applicant for a slot machine license.
19	(2) Except as provided in subsection (i), the slot
20	machine licensee or applicant for a slot machine license may
21	not permit the nongaming service provider to provide goods
22	and services until the licensee or applicant receives
23	confirmation from the board.
24	(d) Duration of notificationNotification for a nongaming
25	service provider shall be valid from the date that the board
26	issues the confirmation under subsection (c) until the earlier
27	of the following:
28	(1) The final date on which the slot machine licensee or
29	applicant for a slot machine license indicated that the
30	nongaming service provider will be providing goods and

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1	services in the notification under subsection (b)(4).
2	(2) Three years from the date on which the board issued
3	the confirmation.
4	(e) ConditionsA slot machine licensee or applicant for a
5	slot machine license that contracts or otherwise does business
6	with a nongaming service provider shall be subject to the
7	following conditions, which the board shall enforce:
8	(1) The nongaming service provider and its employees or
9	associated individuals or entities shall only provide the
10	goods and services, in the stated areas and during the stated
11	times, described in the notification under this section.
12	(2) The slot machine licensee or applicant for a slot
13	machine license shall notify the board of any change in the
14	information provided in the notification under this section.
15	No fee shall be required for a subsequent change during the
16	time for which the notification is valid under subsection
17	<u>(d)</u> .
18	(3) The slot machine licensee or applicant for a slot
19	machine license shall ensure that its employees and
20	associated individuals or entities of the nongaming service
21	provider do not enter the gaming floor or a gaming-related
22	restricted area of the licensed facility.
23	(4) The slot machine licensee or applicant for a slot
24	machine license shall report to the board an employee or
25	associated individual or entity of a nongaming service
26	provider that:
27	(i) enters the gaming floor or a gaming-related
28	restricted area of the licensed facility; or
29	(ii) commits an action that adversely affects the
30	public interest or integrity of gaming.

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1	(5) The board may prohibit at any time a nongaming
2	service provider or any of its employees or associated
3	individuals or entities from providing goods and services to
4	a slot machine licensee or applicant for a slot machine
5	license or at a licensed facility if the board determines the
6	action is necessary to protect the public interest or
7	integrity of gaming.
8	(f) Authority to exemptThe board may exempt a person or
9	type of business from the requirements of this section if the
10	board determines that:
11	(1) the person or type of business is regulated by an
12	agency of the Federal Government, an agency of the
13	Commonwealth or the Pennsylvania Supreme Court; or
14	(2) the regulation of the person or type of business is
15	not necessary to protect the public interest or integrity of
16	gaming.
17	(g) Permit not requiredThe board may not require an
18	employee, individual or entity associated with a nongaming
19	service provider to obtain a permit or other authorization from
20	the board.
21	(h) Criminal history record information not requiredA
22	nongaming service provider or an employee, individual or entity
23	associated with the nongaming service provider may not be
24	required to submit criminal history record information to the
25	board as a condition of notification under this section.
26	(i) Emergency notification
27	(1) A slot machine licensee may use a nongaming service
28	provider prior to the board receiving notification under this
29	section when a threat to public health, welfare or safety
30	exists or circumstances outside the control of the slot

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1	machine licensee require immediate action to mitigate damage
2	or loss to the licensee's licensed facility or to the
3	Commonwealth.
4	(2) The slot machine licensee under this subsection
5	shall:
6	(i) Contact the board immediately upon using the
7	nongaming service provider for which the board has not
8	previously received notification.
9	(ii) Provide notification as required in this
10	section within a reasonable time under the circumstances,
11	as the board establishes.
12	<u>(j) Nongaming service provider list</u>
13	(1) The board shall develop and maintain a list of
14	prohibited nongaming service providers.
15	(2) A slot machine licensee or applicant for a slot
16	machine license may not enter into an agreement or engage in
17	business with a nongaming service provider appearing on the
18	list under this subsection.
19	(k) Duties of nongaming service providerA nongaming
20 <u>s</u> e	ervice provider shall:
21	(1) Cooperate with the board regarding an investigation,
22	hearing, enforcement action or disciplinary action.
23	(2) Comply with each condition, restriction,
24	requirement, order or ruling of the board in accordance with
25	this part.
26	(3) Report any change in circumstances to the slot
27	machine licensee or applicant for a slot machine license that
28	may render the nongaming service provider ineligible,
29	unqualified or unsuitable for the provision of goods or
30	services at a licensed facility or use in the operation of a
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- 1 <u>licensed facility.</u>
- 2 Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.