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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to slot machine licensee fees; amending s. 551.118, F.S.; removing a requirement that the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering in the Department of Business and Professional Regulation contract for certain services related to the prevention of compulsive and addictive gambling; removing an annual nonrefundable regulatory fee used to fund the services; amending s. 550.135, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 551.118, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

551.118 Compulsive or addictive gambling prevention program.—

(1) The slot machine licensee shall offer training to employees on responsible gaming and shall work with a compulsive or addictive gambling prevention program to recognize problem gaming situations and to implement responsible gaming programs and practices.

(2) The division shall, subject to competitive bidding, contract for provision of services related to the prevention of compulsive and addictive gambling. The contract shall provide for an advertising program to encourage responsible gaming practices and to publicize a gambling telephone help line. Such advertisements must be made both publicly and inside the designated slot machine gaming areas of the licensee's

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facilities. The terms of any contract for the provision of such services shall include accountability standards that must be met by any private provider. The failure of any private provider to meet any material terms of the contract, including the accountability standards, shall constitute a breach of contract or grounds for nonrenewal. The division may consult with the Department of the Lottery in the development of the program and the development and analysis of any procurement for contractual services for the compulsive or addictive gambling prevention program.

- (3) The compulsive or addictive gambling prevention program shall be funded from an annual nonrefundable regulatory fee of \$250,000 paid by the licensee to the division.
- Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 550.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 550.135 Division of moneys derived under this law.—All moneys that are deposited with the Chief Financial Officer to the credit of the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund shall be distributed as follows:
- (3) The slot machine license fee and, the slot machine occupational license fee, and the compulsive or addictive gambling prevention program fee collected pursuant to ss. 551.106 and, 551.107(2)(a)1., and 551.118 shall be used to fund the direct and indirect operating expenses of the division's slot machine regulation operations and to provide funding for relevant enforcement activities in accordance with authorized appropriations. Funds deposited into the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund pursuant to ss. 551.106 and, 551.107(2)(a)1., and

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551.118 shall be reserved in the trust fund for slot machine regulation operations. On June 30, any unappropriated funds in excess of those necessary for incurred obligations and subsequent year cash flow for slot machine regulation operations shall be deposited with the Chief Financial Officer to the credit of the General Revenue Fund.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.