

By the Committee on Regulated Industries

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to gaming; amending s. 285.710, F.S.;
3 authorizing and directing the Governor to execute a
4 specified written amendment to the Gaming Compact
5 between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of
6 Florida; providing that the compact may be amended to
7 authorize the Tribe to conduct banking or banked card
8 games in certain circumstances; providing that the
9 compact may be amended to exempt slot machine gaming
10 in certain circumstances; requiring slot machine tax
11 payments paid by slot machine licensees to be
12 allocated in a specified manner; authorizing and
13 directing the Governor to cooperate with the Tribe in
14 seeking approval of an amendment; providing that the
15 amendment of the compact does not require legislative
16 ratification in certain circumstances; amending s.
17 550.01215, F.S.; requiring a permitholder to file in
18 writing with the division its application for a
19 license to conduct specified activities; providing an
20 extended period to amend a license for a greyhound
21 permitholder who applies for such license during a
22 specified year; amending s. 550.0351, F.S.; deleting a
23 provision that allowed any dogracing permitholder to
24 use its facility to conduct specified derbies;
25 amending s. 550.054, F.S.; removing a provision that a
26 permitholder of a specified permit must apply for and
27 conduct a full schedule of live racing to be eligible
28 for a specified tax credit; amending s. 550.0951,
29 F.S.; removing a specified tax credit for a greyhound

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30 permitholder; requiring a nongreyhound permitholder to
31 pay specified daily license fees; removing the
32 authority of a permitholder that cannot utilize a
33 specified exemption to elect to transfer such
34 exemption; revising the admission tax imposed upon a
35 person attending a horserace, dograce, or jai alai
36 game; revising the tax on handle for dogracing;
37 deleting a tax on handle for intertrack wagering on
38 charity performances at a guest greyhound track;
39 revising the tax on handle for intertrack wagers;
40 amending s. 550.09514, F.S.; deleting a provision that
41 wagering on greyhound racing is subject to a tax
42 handle for specified live greyhound racing; requiring
43 any greyhound permitholder conducting live racing
44 during a fiscal year to pay specified purses;
45 conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
46 amending s. 550.1625, F.S.; removing a provision that
47 a permitholder that conducts a specified dograce meet
48 pay specified fees and taxes and is subject to
49 specified penalties and sanctions; amending s.
50 550.1647, F.S.; removing a provision relating to the
51 remittance of specified money or property of
52 permitholders; amending s. 550.1648, F.S.; defining a
53 phrase; requiring a bona fide organization, as a
54 condition of adoption, to provide sterilization of
55 greyhounds by a licensed veterinarian before
56 relinquishing custody of the greyhound to the adopter;
57 removing the authority of a greyhound permitholder to
58 hold a designated "Greyhound Adopt-A-Pet-Day";

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59 conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
60 creating s. 550.2416, F.S.; requiring injuries to
61 racing greyhounds to be reported on a form adopted by
62 the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering in the Department
63 of Business and Professional Regulation within a
64 certain timeframe; identifying the individuals who
65 must complete and sign the form under oath or
66 affirmation under penalty of perjury; specifying the
67 information that must be included in the form;
68 requiring the division to maintain the forms as public
69 records for a specified time; specifying disciplinary
70 actions that may be taken against a licensee of the
71 department who fails to report an injury or who
72 knowingly makes false statements on an injury form;
73 exempting injuries to certain animals from reporting
74 requirements; requiring the division to adopt rules;
75 providing an appropriation; amending s. 550.26165,
76 F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s.
77 550.3551, F.S.; providing that a non-licensed
78 greyhound permitholder may only accept specified
79 wagers; requiring a non-licensed greyhound
80 permitholder to display and promote all in-state
81 greyhound signals it receives; prohibiting a
82 horseracing or a jai alai permitholder from conducting
83 fewer than eight live races or games on any authorized
84 race day; amending s. 550.615, F.S.; providing that
85 specified tracks, frontons, and greyhound
86 permitholders are qualified to receive broadcasts of
87 any class of pari-mutuel race or game and accept

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88 wagers on such races or games; removing a provision
89 that an intertrack wager may not be taken during a
90 specified period of time; authorizing specified
91 greyhound permitholder lessees to conduct intertrack
92 wagering at its pre-lease permitted facility;
93 providing that a guest track is entitled to the
94 payment of a specified percentage of such guest
95 track's contributions to pari-mutuel pools at a
96 greyhound permitholder host track in certain
97 circumstances; amending s. 550.6305, F.S.; conforming
98 cross-references; amending s. 551.101, F.S.;

99 authorizing a licensed pari-mutuel facility to possess
100 slot machines and conduct slot machine gaming in
101 certain circumstances; amending s. 551.102, F.S.;

102 revising the term "eligible facility"; amending s.
103 551.104, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made
104 by the act; providing a specified exception for
105 specified greyhound permitholders from the
106 requirements of a slot machine licensee; amending s.
107 551.114, F.S.; authorizing a designated slot machine
108 gaming area to be located at the location where live
109 races were conducted for greyhound permitholders;

110 amending s. 849.086, F.S.; requiring a specified
111 greyhound permitholder to be issued a cardroom license
112 in certain circumstances; providing that no minimum
113 number of requested or conducted live performances is
114 required in order for a greyhound permitholder to
115 receive, maintain, or renew a cardroom license;

116 conforming provisions to changes made by the act;

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117 providing for slot machine licensees to discontinue
118 live racing or games under certain circumstances;
119 providing an effective date.
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121 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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123 Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 285.710, Florida
124 Statutes, is amended to read:

125 285.710 Compact authorization.—

126 (3) (a) The Gaming Compact between the Seminole Tribe of
127 Florida and the State of Florida, executed by the Governor and
128 the Tribe on April 7, 2010, is ratified and approved. The
129 Governor shall cooperate with the Tribe in seeking approval of
130 the compact from the United States Secretary of the Interior.

131 (b) The Gaming Compact between the Seminole Tribe of
132 Florida and the State of Florida, executed by the Governor and
133 the Tribe on April 7, 2010, may be amended to authorize the
134 Seminole Tribe to conduct banking or banked card games for 1
135 additional year, ending on July 31, 2016, and to provide for
136 automatic termination of the banking or banked card games after
137 that date without a grace period. The Governor is authorized and
138 directed to execute a written amendment to the Gaming Compact
139 between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of Florida,
140 executed by the Governor and the Tribe on April 7, 2010,
141 providing for the conduct of banking or banked card games
142 through July 31, 2016, and providing for automatic termination
143 of those games after that date without a grace period, on the
144 same terms and conditions, without further revision. The Gaming
145 Compact may also be amended to exempt slot machine gaming

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146 conducted by slot machine licensees authorized pursuant to s.
147 551.102(4)(c) from the Tribe's exclusive gaming rights. If the
148 Gaming Compact is amended to exempt such slot machine gaming,
149 the slot machine tax payments paid by such slot machine
150 licensees shall be allocated in the following manner:

151 1. The division shall remit 10 percent of the slot machine
152 tax payments to a thoroughbred facility that does not conduct
153 slot machine gaming. The facility must use this allocation to
154 supplement thoroughbred purses at the facility. If more than one
155 facility is eligible for such an allocation, the division shall
156 split equally the allocation between the eligible facilities.
157 The remittance shall be remitted to the facility within 30 days
158 after the conclusion of the state's fiscal year.

159 2. The Tribe's revenue sharing payment shall be reduced by
160 an amount equal to 90 percent of the slot machine taxes paid by
161 such licensees in the preceding year.

162 (c) The Governor is authorized and directed to cooperate
163 with the Tribe in seeking approval of an amendment to the
164 compact from the United States Secretary of the Interior.
165 Notwithstanding paragraph (8)(f) and s. 285.712, the amendment
166 of the compact to provide for the conduct of banking or banked
167 card games and the amendment to exempt specified slot machine
168 licensees from the Tribe's exclusive gaming rights do not
169 require legislative ratification if they strictly conform to
170 this subsection.

171 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 550.01215, Florida
172 Statutes, is amended to read:

173 550.01215 License application; periods of operation; bond,
174 conversion of permit.-

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175 (1) Each permitholder shall annually, during the period
176 between December 15 and January 4, file in writing with the
177 division its application for a license to conduct pari-mutuel
178 wagering, including intertrack and simulcast races wagering for
179 greyhound permitholders that do not conduct live performances,
180 during the next state fiscal year. Each application shall
181 specify the number, dates, and starting times of all
182 performances which the permitholder intends to conduct. It shall
183 also specify which performances will be conducted as charity or
184 scholarship performances. In addition, each application for a
185 license shall include, for each permitholder which elects to
186 operate a cardroom, the dates and periods of operation the
187 permitholder intends to operate the cardroom or, for each
188 thoroughbred permitholder which elects to receive or rebroadcast
189 out-of-state races after 7 p.m., the dates for all performances
190 which the permitholder intends to conduct. Permitholders shall
191 be entitled to amend their applications through February 28,
192 except that, for licenses for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, a
193 greyhound permitholder is entitled to amend such license through
194 August 31, 2015.

195 Section 3. Subsections (1) and (7) of section 550.0351,
196 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

197 550.0351 Charity racing days.—

198 (1) The division shall, upon the request of a permitholder,
199 authorize each horseracing permitholder, ~~dogracing permitholder,~~
200 and jai alai permitholder up to five charity or scholarship days
201 in addition to the regular racing days authorized by law.

202 ~~(7) In addition to the charity days authorized by this~~
203 ~~section, any dogracing permitholder may allow its facility to be~~

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204 ~~used for conducting "hound dog derbies" or "mutt derbies" on any~~
205 ~~day during each racing season by any charitable, civic, or~~
206 ~~nonprofit organization for the purpose of conducting "hound dog~~
207 ~~derbies" or "mutt derbies" if only dogs other than those usually~~
208 ~~used in dogracing (greyhounds) are permitted to race and if~~
209 ~~adults and minors are allowed to participate as dog owners or~~
210 ~~spectators. During these racing events, betting, gambling, and~~
211 ~~the sale or use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.~~

212 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (14) of section
213 550.054, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

214 550.054 Application for permit to conduct pari-mutuel
215 wagering.—

216 (14)

217 (b) The division, upon application from the holder of a jai
218 alai permit meeting all conditions of this section, shall
219 convert the permit and shall issue to the permitholder a permit
220 to conduct greyhound racing. ~~A permitholder of a permit~~
221 ~~converted under this section shall be required to apply for and~~
222 ~~conduct a full schedule of live racing each fiscal year to be~~
223 ~~eligible for any tax credit provided by this chapter.~~ The holder
224 of a permit converted pursuant to this subsection or any holder
225 of a permit to conduct greyhound racing located in a county in
226 which it is the only permit issued pursuant to this section who
227 operates at a leased facility pursuant to s. 550.475 may move
228 the location for which the permit has been issued to another
229 location within a 30-mile radius of the location fixed in the
230 permit issued in that county, provided the move does not cross
231 the county boundary and such location is approved under the
232 zoning regulations of the county or municipality in which the

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233 permit is located, and upon such relocation may use the permit
234 for the conduct of pari-mutuel wagering and the operation of a
235 cardroom. The provisions of s. 550.6305(9)(d) and (f) shall
236 apply to any permit converted under this subsection and shall
237 continue to apply to any permit which was previously included
238 under and subject to such provisions before a conversion
239 pursuant to this section occurred.

240 Section 5. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section
241 550.0951, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

242 550.0951 Payment of daily license fee and taxes;
243 penalties.—

244 (1) ~~(a)~~ DAILY LICENSE FEE.—Each person engaged in the
245 business of conducting horserace meets ~~race meetings~~ or jai alai
246 games under this chapter, hereinafter referred to as the
247 "permitholder," "licensee," or "permittee," shall pay to the
248 division, for the use of the division, a daily license fee on
249 each live or simulcast pari-mutuel event of \$100 for each
250 horserace ~~and \$80 for each dograce~~ and \$40 for each jai alai
251 game conducted at a racetrack or fronton licensed under this
252 chapter. ~~In addition to the tax exemption specified in s.~~
253 ~~550.09514(1) of \$360,000 or \$500,000 per greyhound permitholder~~
254 ~~per state fiscal year, each greyhound permitholder shall receive~~
255 ~~in the current state fiscal year a tax credit equal to the~~
256 ~~number of live greyhound races conducted in the previous state~~
257 ~~fiscal year times the daily license fee specified for each~~
258 ~~dograce in this subsection applicable for the previous state~~
259 ~~fiscal year. This tax credit and the exemption in s.~~
260 ~~550.09514(1) shall be applicable to any tax imposed by this~~
261 ~~chapter or the daily license fees imposed by this chapter except~~

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262 ~~during any charity or scholarship performances conducted~~
263 ~~pursuant to s. 550.0351. Each nongreyhound permitholder shall~~
264 ~~pay daily license fees not to exceed \$500 per day on any~~
265 ~~simulcast races or games on which such permitholder accepts~~
266 ~~wagers regardless of the number of out-of-state events taken or~~
267 ~~the number of out-of-state locations from which such events are~~
268 ~~taken. This license fee shall be deposited with the Chief~~
269 ~~Financial Officer to the credit of the Pari-mutuel Wagering~~
270 ~~Trust Fund.~~

271 ~~(b) Each permitholder that cannot utilize the full amount~~
272 ~~of the exemption of \$360,000 or \$500,000 provided in s.~~
273 ~~550.09514(1) or the daily license fee credit provided in this~~
274 ~~section may, after notifying the division in writing, elect once~~
275 ~~per state fiscal year on a form provided by the division to~~
276 ~~transfer such exemption or credit or any portion thereof to any~~
277 ~~greyhound permitholder which acts as a host track to such~~
278 ~~permitholder for the purpose of intertrack wagering. Once an~~
279 ~~election to transfer such exemption or credit is filed with the~~
280 ~~division, it shall not be rescinded. The division shall~~
281 ~~disapprove the transfer when the amount of the exemption or~~
282 ~~credit or portion thereof is unavailable to the transferring~~
283 ~~permitholder or when the permitholder who is entitled to~~
284 ~~transfer the exemption or credit or who is entitled to receive~~
285 ~~the exemption or credit owes taxes to the state pursuant to a~~
286 ~~deficiency letter or administrative complaint issued by the~~
287 ~~division. Upon approval of the transfer by the division, the~~
288 ~~transferred tax exemption or credit shall be effective for the~~
289 ~~first performance of the next payment period as specified in~~
290 ~~subsection (5). The exemption or credit transferred to such host~~

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291 ~~track may be applied by such host track against any taxes~~
292 ~~imposed by this chapter or daily license fees imposed by this~~
293 ~~chapter. The greyhound permitholder host track to which such~~
294 ~~exemption or credit is transferred shall reimburse such~~
295 ~~permitholder the exact monetary value of such transferred~~
296 ~~exemption or credit as actually applied against the taxes and~~
297 ~~daily license fees of the host track. The division shall ensure~~
298 ~~that all transfers of exemption or credit are made in accordance~~
299 ~~with this subsection and shall have the authority to adopt rules~~
300 ~~to ensure the implementation of this section.~~

301 (2) ADMISSION TAX.—

302 (a) An admission tax equal to 15 percent of the admission
303 charge for entrance to the permitholder's facility and
304 grandstand area, ~~or 10 cents, whichever is greater,~~ is imposed
305 on each person attending a horserace, dograce, or jai alai game.
306 The permitholder shall be responsible for collecting the
307 admission tax.

308 (b) No admission tax under this chapter or chapter 212
309 shall be imposed on any free passes or complimentary cards
310 issued to persons for which there is no cost to the person for
311 admission to pari-mutuel events.

312 (c) A permitholder may issue tax-free passes to its
313 officers, officials, and employees or other persons actually
314 engaged in working at the racetrack, including accredited press
315 representatives such as reporters and editors, and may also
316 issue tax-free passes to other permitholders for the use of
317 their officers and officials. The permitholder shall file with
318 the division a list of all persons to whom tax-free passes are
319 issued under this paragraph.

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320 (3) TAX ON HANDLE.—Each permitholder shall pay a tax on
 321 contributions to pari-mutuel pools, the aggregate of which is
 322 hereinafter referred to as "handle," on races or games conducted
 323 by the permitholder. The tax is imposed daily and is based on
 324 the total contributions to all pari-mutuel pools conducted
 325 during the daily performance. If a permitholder conducts more
 326 than one performance daily, the tax is imposed on each
 327 performance separately.

328 (a) The tax on handle for quarter horse racing is 1.0
 329 percent of the handle.

330 (b)1. The tax on handle for dogracing is 1.28 ~~5.5~~ percent
 331 of the handle, except that for live charity performances held
 332 pursuant to s. 550.0351, ~~and for intertrack wagering on such~~
 333 ~~charity performances at a guest greyhound track within the~~
 334 ~~market area of the host, the tax is 7.6 percent of the handle.~~

335 2. The tax on handle for jai alai is 7.1 percent of the
 336 handle.

337 (c)1. The tax on handle for intertrack wagering is 2.0
 338 percent of the handle if the host track is a horse track, 3.3
 339 percent if the host track is a harness track, 1.28 ~~5.5~~ percent
 340 if the host track is a dog track to be remitted by the guest
 341 track, and 7.1 percent if the host track is a jai alai fronton.
 342 The tax on handle for intertrack wagering is 0.5 percent if the
 343 host track and the guest track are thoroughbred permitholders or
 344 if the guest track is located outside the market area of a
 345 nongreyhound ~~the~~ host track and within the market area of a
 346 thoroughbred permitholder currently conducting a live race meet.
 347 The tax on handle for intertrack wagering on rebroadcasts of
 348 simulcast thoroughbred horseraces is 2.4 percent of the handle

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349 and 1.5 percent of the handle for intertrack wagering on
350 rebroadcasts of simulcast harness horseraces. The tax shall be
351 deposited into the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund.

352 2. The tax on handle for intertrack wagers is ~~accepted by~~
353 ~~any dog track located in an area of the state in which there are~~
354 ~~only three permitholders, all of which are greyhound~~
355 ~~permitholders, located in three contiguous counties, from any~~
356 ~~greyhound permitholder also located within such area or any dog~~
357 ~~track or jai alai fronton located as specified in s. 550.615(6)~~
358 ~~or (9), on races or games received from the same class of~~
359 ~~permitholder located within the same market area is 3.9 percent~~
360 ~~if the host facility is a greyhound permitholder and, if the~~
361 ~~host facility is a jai alai permitholder, the rate shall be 6.1~~
362 ~~percent~~ if the host facility is a jai alai permitholder, except
363 that it shall be 2.3 percent on handle at such time as the total
364 tax on intertrack handle paid to the division by the
365 permitholder during the current state fiscal year exceeds the
366 total tax on intertrack handle paid to the division by the
367 permitholder during the 1992-1993 state fiscal year.

368 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, in
369 order to protect the Florida jai alai industry, effective July
370 1, 2000, a jai alai permitholder may not be taxed on live handle
371 at a rate higher than 2 percent.

372 Section 6. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 550.09514,
373 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

374 550.09514 Greyhound dogracing taxes; purse requirements.-

375 (1) ~~Wagering on greyhound racing is subject to a tax on~~
376 ~~handle for live greyhound racing as specified in s. 550.0951(3).~~
377 ~~However, each permitholder shall pay no tax on handle until such~~

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378 ~~time as this subsection has resulted in a tax savings per state~~
379 ~~fiscal year of \$360,000. Thereafter, each permitholder shall pay~~
380 ~~the tax as specified in s. 550.0951(3) on all handle for the~~
381 ~~remainder of the permitholder's current race meet. For the three~~
382 ~~permitholders that conducted a full schedule of live racing in~~
383 ~~1995, and are closest to another state that authorizes greyhound~~
384 ~~pari-mutuel wagering, the maximum tax savings per state fiscal~~
385 ~~year shall be \$500,000. The provisions of this subsection~~
386 ~~relating to tax exemptions shall not apply to any charity or~~
387 ~~scholarship performances conducted pursuant to s. 550.0351.~~

388 ~~(2)~~(a) The division shall determine for each greyhound
389 permitholder the annual purse percentage rate of live handle for
390 the state fiscal year 1993-1994 by dividing total purses paid on
391 live handle by the permitholder, exclusive of payments made from
392 outside sources, during the 1993-1994 state fiscal year by the
393 permitholder's live handle for the 1993-1994 state fiscal year.
394 Any greyhound ~~Each~~ permitholder conducting live racing during a
395 fiscal year shall pay as purses for such live races conducted
396 during its current race meet a percentage of its live handle not
397 less than the percentage determined under this paragraph,
398 exclusive of payments made by outside sources, for its 1993-1994
399 state fiscal year.

400 (b) Except as otherwise set forth herein, in addition to
401 the minimum purse percentage required by paragraph (a), each
402 greyhound permitholder conducting live racing during a fiscal
403 year shall pay as purses an annual amount equal to \$60 for each
404 live race conducted ~~75 percent of the daily license fees paid by~~
405 the greyhound ~~each~~ permitholder in for the preceding 1994-1995
406 fiscal year. ~~This purse supplement shall be disbursed weekly~~

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407 ~~during the permitholder's race meet in an amount determined by~~
408 ~~dividing the annual purse supplement by the number of~~
409 ~~performances approved for the permitholder pursuant to its~~
410 ~~annual license and multiplying that amount by the number of~~
411 ~~performances conducted each week. For the greyhound~~
412 ~~permitholders in the county where there are two greyhound~~
413 ~~permitholders located as specified in s. 550.615(6), such~~
414 ~~permitholders shall pay in the aggregate an amount equal to 75~~
415 ~~percent of the daily license fees paid by such permitholders for~~
416 ~~the 1994-1995 fiscal year. These permitholders shall be jointly~~
417 ~~and severally liable for such purse payments. The additional~~
418 ~~purses provided by this paragraph must be used exclusively for~~
419 ~~purses other than stakes and shall be disbursed weekly during~~
420 ~~the permitholder's race meet.~~ The division shall conduct audits
421 necessary to ensure compliance with this section.

422 (c)1. Each greyhound permitholder licensed to conduct live
423 racing when conducting at least three live performances during
424 ~~any week~~ shall pay purses ~~in that week~~ on wagers it accepts as a
425 guest track on intertrack and simulcast greyhound races at the
426 same rate as it pays on live races. Each greyhound permitholder
427 ~~when conducting at least three live racing performances during~~
428 ~~any week~~ shall pay purses in that week, at the same rate as it
429 pays on live races, on wagers accepted on greyhound races at a
430 guest track which is not conducting live racing and is located
431 within the same market area as the greyhound permitholder
432 ~~conducting at least three live racing performances during any~~
433 week.

434 2. Each host greyhound permitholder shall pay purses on its
435 simulcast and intertrack broadcasts of greyhound races to guest

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436 facilities that are located outside its market area in an amount
437 equal to one quarter of an amount determined by subtracting the
438 transmission costs of sending the simulcast or intertrack
439 broadcasts from an amount determined by adding the fees received
440 for greyhound simulcast races plus 3 percent of the greyhound
441 intertrack handle at guest facilities that are located outside
442 the market area of the host and that paid contractual fees to
443 the host for such broadcasts of greyhound races.

444 (d) The division shall require sufficient documentation
445 from each greyhound permitholder regarding purses paid on live
446 racing to assure that the annual purse percentage rates paid by
447 each greyhound permitholder conducting ~~on the~~ live races are not
448 reduced below those paid during the 1993-1994 state fiscal year.
449 The division shall require sufficient documentation from each
450 greyhound permitholder conducting live races to assure that the
451 purses paid by each permitholder on the greyhound intertrack and
452 simulcast broadcasts are in compliance with the requirements of
453 paragraph (c).

454 (e) In addition to the purse requirements of paragraphs
455 (a)-(c), each greyhound permitholder conducting live races shall
456 pay as purses an amount equal to one-third of the amount of the
457 tax reduction on live and simulcast handle applicable to such
458 permitholder as a result of the reductions in tax rates provided
459 ~~by this act~~ through the amendments to s. 550.0951(3) enacted in
460 2000. With respect to intertrack wagering when the host and
461 guest tracks are greyhound permitholders not within the same
462 market area, an amount equal to the tax reduction applicable to
463 the guest track handle as a result of the reduction in tax rate
464 provided ~~by this act~~ through the amendment to s. 550.0951(3)

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465 enacted in 2000 shall be distributed to the guest track, one-
466 third of which amount shall be paid as purses at the guest
467 track. However, if the guest track is a greyhound permitholder
468 within the market area of the host or if the guest track is not
469 a greyhound permitholder, an amount equal to such tax reduction
470 applicable to the guest track handle shall be retained by the
471 host track, one-third of which amount shall be paid as purses at
472 the host track. These purse funds shall be disbursed in the week
473 received if the permitholder conducts at least one live
474 performance during that week. If the permitholder does not
475 conduct at least one live performance during the week in which
476 the purse funds are received, the purse funds shall be disbursed
477 weekly during the permitholder's next race meet in an amount
478 determined by dividing the purse amount by the number of
479 performances approved for the permitholder pursuant to its
480 annual license, and multiplying that amount by the number of
481 performances conducted each week. The division shall conduct
482 audits necessary to ensure compliance with this paragraph.

483 (f) Each greyhound permitholder conducting live racing
484 shall, during the permitholder's race meet, supply kennel
485 operators and the Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering with a weekly
486 report showing purses paid on live greyhound races and all
487 greyhound intertrack and simulcast broadcasts, including both as
488 a guest and a host together with the handle or commission
489 calculations on which such purses were paid and the transmission
490 costs of sending the simulcast or intertrack broadcasts, so that
491 the kennel operators may determine statutory and contractual
492 compliance.

493 (g) Each greyhound permitholder conducting live racing

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494 shall make direct payment of purses to the greyhound owners who
495 have filed with such permitholder appropriate federal taxpayer
496 identification information based on the percentage amount agreed
497 upon between the kennel operator and the greyhound owner.

498 (h) At the request of a majority of kennel operators under
499 contract with a greyhound permitholder conducting live racing,
500 the permitholder shall make deductions from purses paid to each
501 kennel operator electing such deduction and shall make a direct
502 payment of such deductions to the local association of greyhound
503 kennel operators formed by a majority of kennel operators under
504 contract with the permitholder. The amount of the deduction
505 shall be at least 1 percent of purses, as determined by the
506 local association of greyhound kennel operators. No deductions
507 may be taken pursuant to this paragraph without a kennel
508 operator's specific approval before or after the effective date
509 of this act.

510 Section 7. Section 550.1625, Florida Statutes, is amended
511 to read:

512 550.1625 Dogracing; taxes.—

513 ~~(1)~~ The operation of a dog track and legalized pari-mutuel
514 betting at dog tracks in this state is a privilege and is an
515 operation that requires strict supervision and regulation in the
516 best interests of the state. Pari-mutuel wagering at dog tracks
517 in this state is a substantial business, and taxes derived
518 therefrom constitute part of the tax structures of the state and
519 the counties. The operators of dog tracks should pay their fair
520 share of taxes to the state; at the same time, this substantial
521 business interest should not be taxed to such an extent as to
522 cause a track that is operated under sound business principles

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523 to be forced out of business.

524 ~~(2) A permitholder that conducts a dograce meet under this~~
525 ~~chapter must pay the daily license fee, the admission tax, the~~
526 ~~breaks tax, and the tax on pari-mutuel handle as provided in s.~~
527 ~~550.0951 and is subject to all penalties and sanctions provided~~
528 ~~in s. 550.0951(6).~~

529 Section 8. Section 550.1647, Florida Statutes, is amended
530 to read:

531 ~~550.1647 Greyhound permitholders; unclaimed tickets;~~
532 ~~breaks. All money or other property represented by any~~
533 ~~unclaimed, uncashed, or abandoned pari-mutuel ticket which has~~
534 ~~remained in the custody of or under the control of any~~
535 ~~permitholder authorized to conduct greyhound racing pari-mutuel~~
536 ~~pools in this state for a period of 1 year after the date the~~
537 ~~pari-mutuel ticket was issued, if the rightful owner or owners~~
538 ~~thereof have made no claim or demand for such money or other~~
539 ~~property within that period of time, shall, with respect to live~~
540 ~~races conducted by the permitholder, be remitted to the state~~
541 ~~pursuant to s. 550.1645; however, such permitholder shall be~~
542 ~~entitled to a credit in each state fiscal year in an amount~~
543 ~~equal to the actual amount remitted in the prior state fiscal~~
544 ~~year which may be applied against any taxes imposed pursuant to~~
545 ~~this chapter. In addition, each permitholder shall pay, from any~~
546 ~~source, including the proceeds from performances conducted~~
547 ~~pursuant to s. 550.0351, an amount not less than 10 percent of~~
548 ~~the amount of the credit provided by this section to any bona~~
549 ~~fide organization that promotes or encourages the adoption of~~
550 ~~greyhounds. As used in this chapter, the term "bona fide~~
551 ~~organization that promotes or encourages the adoption of~~

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552 ~~greyhounds" means any organization that provides evidence of~~
553 ~~compliance with chapter 496 and possesses a valid exemption from~~
554 ~~federal taxation issued by the Internal Revenue Service. Such~~
555 ~~bona fide organization, as a condition of adoption, must provide~~
556 ~~sterilization of greyhounds by a licensed veterinarian before~~
557 ~~relinquishing custody of the greyhound to the adopter. The fee~~
558 ~~for sterilization may be included in the cost of adoption.~~

559 Section 9. Section 550.1648, Florida Statutes, is amended
560 to read:

561 550.1648 Greyhound adoptions.—

562 (1) ~~A Each~~ Each dogracing permitholder conducting live racing at
563 operating a dogracing facility in this state shall provide for a
564 greyhound adoption booth to be located at the facility. The
565 greyhound adoption booth must be operated on weekends by
566 personnel or volunteers from a bona fide organization that
567 promotes or encourages the adoption of greyhounds ~~pursuant to s.~~
568 ~~550.1647~~. As used in this section, the term "weekend" includes
569 the hours during which live greyhound racing is conducted on
570 Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, and the phrase "bona fide
571 organization that promotes or encourages the adoption of
572 greyhounds" means any organization that provides evidence of
573 compliance with chapter 496 and possesses a valid exemption from
574 federal taxation issued by the Internal Revenue Service. Such
575 bona fide organization, as a condition of adoption, must provide
576 sterilization of greyhounds by a licensed veterinarian before
577 relinquishing custody of the greyhound to the adopter. The fee
578 for sterilization may be included in the cost of adoption.

579 Information pamphlets and application forms shall be provided to
580 the public upon request. In addition, the kennel operator or

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581 owner shall notify the permitholder that a greyhound is
582 available for adoption and the permitholder shall provide
583 information concerning the adoption of a greyhound in each race
584 program and shall post adoption information at conspicuous
585 locations throughout the dogracing facility. Any greyhound that
586 is participating in a race and that will be available for future
587 adoption must be noted in the race program. The permitholder
588 shall allow greyhounds to be walked through the track facility
589 to publicize the greyhound adoption program.

590 ~~(2) In addition to the charity days authorized under s.~~
591 ~~550.0351, a greyhound permitholder may fund the greyhound~~
592 ~~adoption program by holding a charity racing day designated as~~
593 ~~"Greyhound Adopt-A-Pet Day." All profits derived from the~~
594 ~~operation of the charity day must be placed into a fund used to~~
595 ~~support activities at the racing facility which promote the~~
596 ~~adoption of greyhounds. The division may adopt rules for~~
597 ~~administering the fund. Proceeds from the charity day authorized~~
598 ~~in this subsection may not be used as a source of funds for the~~
599 ~~purposes set forth in s. 550.1647.~~

600 ~~(3)(a)~~ Upon a violation of this section by a permitholder
601 or licensee, the division may impose a penalty as provided in s.
602 550.0251(10) and require the permitholder to take corrective
603 action.

604 (b) A penalty imposed under s. 550.0251(10) does not
605 exclude a prosecution for cruelty to animals or for any other
606 criminal act.

607 Section 10. Section 550.2416, Florida Statutes, is created
608 to read:

609 550.2416 Reporting of racing greyhound injuries.-

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610 (1) An injury to a racing greyhound which occurs while the
611 greyhound is located in this state must be reported on a form
612 adopted by the division within 7 days after the date on which
613 the injury occurred or is believed to have occurred.

614 (2) The form shall be completed and signed under oath or
615 affirmation under penalty of perjury by:

616 (a) The racetrack veterinarian if the injury occurred at
617 the racetrack facility; or

618 (b) The owner, trainer, or kennel operator who had
619 knowledge of the injury if the injury occurred at a location
620 other than the racetrack facility, including during
621 transportation.

622 (3) The form must include all of the following:

623 (a) The greyhound's registered name, right-ear and left-
624 ear tattoo numbers, and, if any, the microchip manufacturer and
625 number.

626 (b) The name, business address, and telephone number of the
627 greyhound owner, the trainer, and the kennel operator.

628 (c) The color, weight, and sex of the greyhound.

629 (d) The specific type and bodily location of the injury,
630 the cause of the injury, and the estimated recovery time from
631 the injury.

632 (e) If the injury occurred when the greyhound was racing:

633 1. The racetrack where the injury occurred;

634 2. The distance, grade, race, and post position of the
635 greyhound when the injury occurred; and

636 3. The weather conditions, time, and track conditions when
637 the injury occurred.

638 (f) If the injury occurred when the greyhound was not

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639 racing:

640 1. The location where the injury occurred; and

641 2. The circumstances surrounding the injury.

642 (g) Other information that the division determines is
643 necessary to identify injuries to racing greyhounds in this
644 state.

645 (4) An injury form created pursuant to this section shall
646 be maintained as a public record by the division for at least 7
647 years after the date it was received.

648 (5) A licensee of the department who knowingly makes a
649 false statement concerning an injury or fails to report an
650 injury is subject to disciplinary action under this chapter,
651 chapter 455, or chapter 474.

652 (6) This section does not apply to injuries to a service
653 animal, personal pet, or greyhound that has been adopted as a
654 pet.

655 (7) The division shall adopt rules to implement this
656 section.

657 Section 11. For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the sums of
658 \$57,132 in recurring funds and \$5,385 in nonrecurring funds from
659 the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund are appropriated to the
660 Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering within the Department of
661 Business and Professional Regulation, and one full-time
662 equivalent position with associated salary rate of 34,220 is
663 authorized, for the purpose of implementing s. 550.2416, Florida
664 Statutes, as created by this act.

665 Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 550.26165, Florida
666 Statutes, is amended to read:

667 550.26165 Breeders' awards.-

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668 (1) The purpose of this section is to encourage the
669 agricultural activity of breeding and training racehorses in
670 this state. Moneys dedicated in this chapter for use as
671 breeders' awards and stallion awards are to be used for awards
672 to breeders of registered Florida-bred horses winning horseraces
673 and for similar awards to the owners of stallions who sired
674 Florida-bred horses winning stakes races, if the stallions are
675 registered as Florida stallions standing in this state. Such
676 awards shall be given at a uniform rate to all winners of the
677 awards, shall not be greater than 20 percent of the announced
678 gross purse, and shall not be less than 15 percent of the
679 announced gross purse if funds are available. In addition, no
680 less than 17 percent nor more than 40 percent, as determined by
681 the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, of the moneys
682 dedicated in this chapter for use as breeders' awards and
683 stallion awards for thoroughbreds shall be returned pro rata to
684 the permitholders that generated the moneys for special racing
685 awards to be distributed by the permitholders to owners of
686 thoroughbred horses participating in prescribed thoroughbred
687 stakes races, nonstakes races, or both, all in accordance with a
688 written agreement establishing the rate, procedure, and
689 eligibility requirements for such awards entered into by the
690 permitholder, the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' Association,
691 and the Florida Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective
692 Association, Inc., except that the plan for the distribution by
693 any permitholder located in the area described in s. 550.615(8)
694 ~~s. 550.615(9)~~ shall be agreed upon by that permitholder, the
695 Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, and the association
696 representing a majority of the thoroughbred racehorse owners and

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697 trainers at that location. Awards for thoroughbred races are to
698 be paid through the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' Association,
699 and awards for standardbred races are to be paid through the
700 Florida Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. Among
701 other sources specified in this chapter, moneys for thoroughbred
702 breeders' awards will come from the 0.955 percent of handle for
703 thoroughbred races conducted, received, broadcast, or simulcast
704 under this chapter as provided in s. 550.2625(3). The moneys for
705 quarter horse and harness breeders' awards will come from the
706 breaks and uncashed tickets on live quarter horse and harness
707 racing performances and 1 percent of handle on intertrack
708 wagering. The funds for these breeders' awards shall be paid to
709 the respective breeders' associations by the permitholders
710 conducting the races.

711 Section 13. Paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of section
712 550.3551, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

713 550.3551 Transmission of racing and jai alai information;
714 commingling of pari-mutuel pools.—

715 (6) (a) A greyhound permitholder that is not licensed to
716 conduct at least a full schedule of live racing in the current
717 fiscal year may accept intertrack and simulcast race wagers on
718 any class of pari-mutuel activity only on those days such
719 permitholder is accepting all wagers on all in-state greyhound
720 races made available to such permitholder. A greyhound
721 permitholder that is not licensed to conduct at least a full
722 schedule of live racing shall display and promote all in-state
723 greyhound signals it receives and wagers upon in the same manner
724 as any other race or game such permitholder receives and wagers
725 upon ~~A maximum of 20 percent of the total number of races on~~

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726 ~~which wagers are accepted by a greyhound permitholder not~~
727 ~~located as specified in s. 550.615(6) may be received from~~
728 ~~locations outside this state. A horseracing or a jai alai~~
729 permitholder may not conduct fewer than eight live races or
730 games on any authorized race day except as provided in this
731 subsection. A thoroughbred permitholder may not conduct fewer
732 than eight live races on any race day without the written
733 approval of the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' Association and
734 the Florida Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association,
735 Inc., unless it is determined by the department that another
736 entity represents a majority of the thoroughbred racehorse
737 owners and trainers in the state. A harness permitholder may
738 conduct fewer than eight live races on any authorized race day,
739 except that such permitholder must conduct a full schedule of
740 live racing during its race meet consisting of at least eight
741 live races per authorized race day for at least 100 days. Any
742 harness ~~horse~~ permitholder that during the preceding racing
743 season conducted a full schedule of live racing may, at any time
744 during its current race meet, receive full-card broadcasts of
745 harness horse races conducted at harness racetracks outside this
746 state at the harness track of the permitholder and accept wagers
747 on such harness races. With specific authorization from the
748 division for special racing events, a permitholder may conduct
749 fewer than eight live races or games when the permitholder also
750 broadcasts out-of-state races or games. The division may not
751 grant more than two such exceptions a year for a permitholder in
752 any 12-month period, and those two exceptions may not be
753 consecutive.

754 Section 14. Subsections (2), (7), and (8) of section

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755 550.615, Florida Statutes, are amended, and a new subsection
756 (10) is added to that section, to read:

757 550.615 Intertrack wagering.—

758 (2) Any track or fronton licensed under this chapter which
759 conducted a full schedule of live racing or games ~~which~~ in the
760 preceding year, any greyhound permitholder that has held an
761 annual license to conduct pari-mutuel wagering activities in
762 each of the preceding 10 years, or any greyhound permitholder
763 converted pursuant to s. 550.054(14) ~~conducted a full schedule~~
764 ~~of live racing~~ is qualified to, at any time, receive broadcasts
765 of any class of pari-mutuel race or game and accept wagers on
766 such races or games conducted by any class of permitholders
767 licensed under this chapter. A greyhound permitholder may
768 conduct only intertrack wagering in conformance with this
769 section and s. 550.3551(6).

770 (7) ~~In any county of the state where there are only two~~
771 ~~permits, one for dogracing and one for jai alai, no intertrack~~
772 ~~wager may be taken during the period of time when a permitholder~~
773 ~~is not licensed to conduct live races or games without the~~
774 ~~written consent of the other permitholder that is conducting~~
775 ~~live races or games. However, if neither permitholder is~~
776 ~~conducting live races or games, either permitholder may accept~~
777 ~~intertrack wagers on horseraces or on the same class of races or~~
778 ~~games, or on both horseraces and the same class of races or~~
779 ~~games as is authorized by its permit.~~

780 (8) ~~In any three contiguous counties of the state where~~
781 ~~there are only three permitholders, all of which are greyhound~~
782 ~~permitholders,~~ If any greyhound permitholder leases the facility
783 of another greyhound permitholder for the purpose of conducting

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784 all or any portion of ~~the conduct of its live~~ race meet pursuant
785 to s. 550.475, such lessee may conduct intertrack wagering at
786 its pre-lease permitted facility throughout the entire year,
787 including while its race ~~live~~ meet is being conducted at the
788 leased facility, ~~if such permitholder has conducted a full~~
789 ~~schedule of live racing during the preceding fiscal year at its~~
790 ~~pre-lease permitted facility or at a leased facility, or~~
791 ~~combination thereof.~~

792 (10) A guest track is entitled to the payment of 16 percent
793 of such guest track's contributions to pari-mutuel pools at a
794 greyhound permitholder host track if the guest track is a
795 greyhound permitholder not licensed to conduct at least a full
796 schedule of live racing in the current state fiscal year.

797 Section 15. Paragraph (g) of subsection (9) of section
798 550.6305, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

799 550.6305 Intertrack wagering; guest track payments;
800 accounting rules.-

801 (9) A host track that has contracted with an out-of-state
802 horse track to broadcast live races conducted at such out-of-
803 state horse track pursuant to s. 550.3551(5) may broadcast such
804 out-of-state races to any guest track and accept wagers thereon
805 in the same manner as is provided in s. 550.3551.

806 (g)1. Any thoroughbred permitholder which accepts wagers on
807 a simulcast signal must make the signal available to any
808 permitholder that is eligible to conduct intertrack wagering
809 under the provisions of ss. 550.615-550.6345.

810 2. Any thoroughbred permitholder which accepts wagers on a
811 simulcast signal received after 6 p.m. must make such signal
812 available to any permitholder that is eligible to conduct

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813 intertrack wagering under the provisions of ss. 550.615-
814 550.6345, including any permitholder located as specified in s.
815 550.615(6). Such guest permitholders are authorized to accept
816 wagers on such simulcast signal, notwithstanding any other
817 provision of this chapter to the contrary.

818 3. Any thoroughbred permitholder which accepts wagers on a
819 simulcast signal received after 6 p.m. must make such signal
820 available to any permitholder that is eligible to conduct
821 intertrack wagering under the provisions of ss. 550.615-
822 550.6345, including any permitholder located as specified in s.
823 550.615(8) ~~s. 550.615(9)~~. Such guest permitholders are
824 authorized to accept wagers on such simulcast signals for a
825 number of performances not to exceed that which constitutes a
826 full schedule of live races for a quarter horse permitholder
827 pursuant to s. 550.002(11), notwithstanding any other provision
828 of this chapter to the contrary, except that the restrictions
829 provided in s. 550.615(8)(a) ~~s. 550.615(9)(a)~~ apply to wagers on
830 such simulcast signals.

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832 No thoroughbred permitholder shall be required to continue to
833 rebroadcast a simulcast signal to any in-state permitholder if
834 the average per performance gross receipts returned to the host
835 permitholder over the preceding 30-day period were less than
836 \$100. Subject to the provisions of s. 550.615(4), as a condition
837 of receiving rebroadcasts of thoroughbred simulcast signals
838 under this paragraph, a guest permitholder must accept
839 intertrack wagers on all live races conducted by all then-
840 operating thoroughbred permitholders.

841 Section 16. Section 551.101, Florida Statutes, is amended

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842 to read:

843 551.101 Slot machine gaming authorized.—Any licensed pari-
844 mutuel facility ~~located in Miami-Dade County or Broward County~~
845 ~~existing at the time of adoption of s. 23, Art. X of the State~~
846 ~~Constitution that has conducted live racing or games during~~
847 ~~calendar years 2002 and 2003~~ may possess slot machines in
848 compliance with this chapter and conduct slot machine gaming at
849 the location where the pari-mutuel permitholder is authorized to
850 conduct pari-mutuel wagering activities pursuant to such
851 permitholder's valid pari-mutuel permit provided that a majority
852 of voters in a countywide referendum have approved slot machines
853 at such facility in the respective county. Notwithstanding any
854 other provision of law, it is not a crime for a person to
855 participate in slot machine gaming at a pari-mutuel facility
856 licensed to possess slot machines and conduct slot machine
857 gaming or to participate in slot machine gaming described in
858 this chapter.

859 Section 17. Subsection (4) of section 551.102, Florida
860 Statutes, is amended to read:

861 551.102 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

862 (4) "Eligible facility" means:

863 (a) Any licensed pari-mutuel facility located in Miami-Dade
864 County or Broward County existing at the time of adoption of s.
865 23, Art. X of the State Constitution that has conducted live
866 racing or games during calendar years 2002 and 2003 and has been
867 approved by a majority of voters in a countywide referendum to
868 have slot machines at such facility in the respective county;

869 (b) Any licensed pari-mutuel facility located within a
870 county as defined in s. 125.011, provided such facility has

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871 conducted a full schedule of live racing for 2 consecutive
 872 calendar years immediately preceding its application for a slot
 873 machine license, pays the required license fee, and meets the
 874 other requirements of this chapter; or

875 (c) A ~~any~~ licensed pari-mutuel facility located in a ~~any~~
 876 ~~other~~ county in which a majority of voters have approved slot
 877 machines at eligible ~~such~~ facilities in a countywide referendum
 878 held concurrently with a general election in which the offices
 879 of President and Vice President of the United States were on the
 880 ballot if the permitholder has conducted at least 250 live
 881 performances at the facility in accordance with that
 882 permitholder's annual operating license for 25 consecutive
 883 ~~pursuant to a statutory or constitutional authorization after~~
 884 ~~the effective date of this section in the respective county,~~
 885 ~~provided such facility has conducted a full schedule of live~~
 886 ~~racing for 2 consecutive calendar years immediately preceding~~
 887 its initial application for a slot machine license, pays the
 888 required license ~~licensed~~ fee, and meets the other requirements
 889 of this chapter. However, a license to conduct slot machine
 890 gaming may not be granted by the department pursuant to this
 891 paragraph unless the Gaming Compact between the Seminole Tribe
 892 of Florida and the State of Florida, authorized pursuant to s.
 893 285.710, is amended to exempt the slot machine gaming conducted
 894 by slot machine licensees from the Seminole Tribe of Florida's
 895 exclusive gaming rights.

896 Section 18. Subsection (2) and paragraph (c) of subsection
 897 (4) of section 551.104, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

898 551.104 License to conduct slot machine gaming.—

899 (2) An application may be approved by the division only

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900 after the voters of the county where the applicant's facility is
901 located have authorized by referendum slot machines within pari-
902 mutuel facilities in compliance with this chapter ~~that county as~~
903 ~~specified in s. 23, Art. X of the State Constitution.~~

904 (4) As a condition of licensure and to maintain continued
905 authority for the conduct of slot machine gaming, the slot
906 machine licensee shall:

907 (c) Conduct no fewer than a full schedule of live racing or
908 games as defined in s. 550.002(11), except for greyhound
909 permitholders, which have no live racing requirement for
910 purposes of obtaining or maintaining licensure under this
911 chapter. A permitholder's responsibility to conduct such number
912 of live races or games shall be reduced by the number of races
913 or games that could not be conducted due to the direct result of
914 fire, war, hurricane, or other disaster or event beyond the
915 control of the permitholder.

916 Section 19. Subsections (2) and (4) of section 551.114,
917 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

918 551.114 Slot machine gaming areas.—

919 (2) The slot machine licensee shall display pari-mutuel
920 races or games within the designated slot machine gaming areas
921 and offer patrons within the designated slot machine gaming
922 areas the ability to engage in pari-mutuel wagering on any live,
923 intertrack, and simulcast races conducted or offered to patrons
924 of the licensed facility.

925 (4) Designated slot machine gaming areas may be located
926 within the current live gaming facility or in an existing
927 building that must be contiguous and connected to the live
928 gaming facility or, for greyhound permitholders, the location

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929 where live races were conducted as of the permitholder's initial
930 date of slot machine licensure. If a designated slot machine
931 gaming area is to be located in a building that is to be
932 constructed, that new building must be contiguous and connected
933 to the live gaming facility.

934 Section 20. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (5) and
935 paragraph (d) of subsection (13) of section 849.086, Florida
936 Statutes, are amended to read:

937 849.086 Cardrooms authorized.—

938 (5) LICENSE REQUIRED; APPLICATION; FEES.—No person may
939 operate a cardroom in this state unless such person holds a
940 valid cardroom license issued pursuant to this section.

941 (a) Only those persons holding a valid cardroom license
942 issued by the division may operate a cardroom. A cardroom
943 license may only be issued to a licensed pari-mutuel
944 permitholder. ~~and~~ An authorized cardroom may only be operated at
945 the same facility at which the permitholder is authorized under
946 its valid pari-mutuel wagering permit to conduct pari-mutuel
947 wagering activities. An initial cardroom license shall be issued
948 to a pari-mutuel permitholder only after its facilities are in
949 place and after it conducts its first day of live racing or
950 games. A greyhound permitholder that has conducted live racing
951 during each of the 10 years immediately preceding its
952 application for a cardroom license or a greyhound permitholder
953 converted pursuant to s. 550.054(14) shall be issued a cardroom
954 license, and any renewals thereto, without regard to licensure
955 for or actual conduct of live racing.

956 (b) After the initial cardroom license is granted, the
957 application for the annual license renewal shall be made in

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958 conjunction with the applicant's annual application for its
959 pari-mutuel license. If a permitholder has operated a cardroom
960 during any of the 3 previous fiscal years and fails to include a
961 renewal request for the operation of the cardroom in its annual
962 application for license renewal, the permitholder may amend its
963 annual application to include operation of the cardroom. In
964 order for a cardroom license to be renewed the applicant must
965 have requested, as part of its pari-mutuel annual license
966 application, to conduct at least 90 percent of the total number
967 of live performances conducted by such permitholder during
968 either the state fiscal year in which its initial cardroom
969 license was issued or the state fiscal year immediately prior
970 thereto if the permitholder ran at least a full schedule of live
971 racing or games in the prior year. If the application is for a
972 harness permitholder cardroom, the applicant must have requested
973 authorization to conduct a minimum of 140 live performances
974 during the state fiscal year immediately prior thereto. If more
975 than one permitholder is operating at a facility, each
976 permitholder must have applied for a license to conduct a full
977 schedule of live racing. Notwithstanding any provision of law to
978 the contrary, no minimum number of requested or conducted live
979 performances is required in order for a greyhound permitholder
980 to receive, maintain, or renew a cardroom license. However, as a
981 condition of cardroom licensure, a greyhound permitholder shall
982 conduct intertrack wagering on Florida greyhound signals, to the
983 extent available pursuant to ss. 550.3551(6) (a) and 550.615(10),
984 on each day of cardroom operation.

985 (13) TAXES AND OTHER PAYMENTS.—

986 (d)1. Any ~~Each~~ greyhound conducting live racing and each

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987 jai alai permitholder that operates a cardroom facility shall
988 use at least 4 percent of such permitholder's cardroom monthly
989 gross receipts to supplement greyhound purses, if any, or jai
990 alai prize money, respectively, during the permitholder's
991 current or next ensuing pari-mutuel meet.

992 2. Each thoroughbred and harness horse racing permitholder
993 that operates a cardroom facility shall use at least 50 percent
994 of such permitholder's cardroom monthly net proceeds as follows:
995 47 percent to supplement purses and 3 percent to supplement
996 breeders' awards during the permitholder's next ensuing racing
997 meet.

998 3. No cardroom license or renewal thereof shall be issued
999 to an applicant holding a permit under chapter 550 to conduct
1000 pari-mutuel wagering meets of quarter horse racing unless the
1001 applicant has on file with the division a binding written
1002 agreement between the applicant and the Florida Quarter Horse
1003 Racing Association or the association representing a majority of
1004 the horse owners and trainers at the applicant's eligible
1005 facility, governing the payment of purses on live quarter horse
1006 races conducted at the licensee's pari-mutuel facility. The
1007 agreement governing purses may direct the payment of such purses
1008 from revenues generated by any wagering or gaming the applicant
1009 is authorized to conduct under Florida law. All purses shall be
1010 subject to the terms of chapter 550.

1011 Section 21. If any slot machine licensee shall discontinue
1012 the operation of live racing or games, all slot machine
1013 licensees may also discontinue the operation of live racing or
1014 games.

1015 Section 22. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.