

CHAPTER 386

REVENUE - ACTIVITIES REGULATION

HOUSE BILL 21-1296

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CODIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDERS PERTAINING TO LIMITED GAMING, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ALLOWING LICENSE APPLICANTS TO SUBMIT FINGERPRINTS AFTER THE INITIAL SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION, ELIMINATING THE STATUTORY LIMIT ON THE NUMBER OF PLAYERS PERMITTED IN THE GAME OF BLACKJACK, AND ALLOWING A CASINO OPERATOR TO DIVIDE ITS LAWFUL GAMING SPACE INTO MORE THAN TWO NONCONTIGUOUS SPACES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-30-103, **amend** (6) as follows:

44-30-103. Definitions. As used in this article 30, unless the context otherwise requires:

(6) "Blackjack" means a banking card game commonly known as "21" or "blackjack" ~~played by a maximum of seven players~~ in which each player bets against the dealer. The object is to draw cards whose value will equal or approach twenty-one without exceeding that amount and win amounts bet, payable by the dealer, if the player holds cards more valuable than the dealer's cards.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-30-508, **amend** (3) as follows:

44-30-508. Licensed premises - retail floor plan - definition. (3) A licensed retailer may change the physical location of the licensed premises with the approval of the commission, the director, or the director's designee. ~~however, in no event shall the licensed premises as modified violate any provision of this article 30 or consist of more than two noncontiguous areas on one floor.~~ Failure of the commission, the director, or the director's designee to deny an application to

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relocate the licensed premises in a building, within thirty days of the application, shall be deemed an approval thereof.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-30-510, **amend** (3)(a) as follows:

44-30-510. Applicants and licensees - providing information - criminal history record check. (3) (a) ~~With the submission of~~ OR AS A SUPPLEMENT TO an application for a license or an application for a finding of suitability pursuant to this article 30, each applicant shall submit a set of fingerprints to the commission. The commission shall forward the fingerprints to the Colorado bureau of investigation for the purpose of conducting a state and national fingerprint-based criminal history record check utilizing records of the Colorado bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation. THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT TAKE FINAL ACTION ON THE APPLICATION BEFORE RECEIVING THE RESULTS OF THE FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-30-1504, **amend** (7)(a) as follows:

44-30-1504. Disclosure of information by corporate applicants - license required - investigation - criminal history record check - rules - definition. (7) (a) Each applicant for a sports betting license, ~~with the submission of~~ OR AS A SUPPLEMENT TO the application, shall submit a set of fingerprints to the division. The division shall forward the fingerprints to the Colorado bureau of investigation for the purpose of conducting a state and national fingerprint-based criminal history record check utilizing records of the Colorado bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation. Only the actual costs of the record check shall be borne by the applicant. Nothing in this subsection (7) precludes the division from making further inquiries into the background of the applicant.

SECTION 5. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

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