NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Public Safety and Corrections

Louisiana Gaming Control Board

The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Louisiana Gaming Control Board, in accordance with R.S. 27:15, R.S. 27:24, and the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., hereby gives notice that it intends to amend LAC 42:III.1701 – Definitions and create LAC 42:III.2704 – Reporting of Gaming Positions. These rule changes clarify practices already required to take place in the industry and create uniformity with the amended statutes and the newly enacted statutes as a result of Acts 469 and 575 of the 2018 Regular Legislative Session.

Title 42

LOUISIANA GAMING

Part III. Gaming Control Board

Chapter 17. General Provisions

§1701. Definitions

A. –B....

Act – Designated Check Cashing Representative ...

Designated Gaming Area—

- a. for the licensed eligible facility, the contiguous area of the eligible facility at which slot machine gaming may be conducted in accordance with the Act, determined by measuring the area, in square feet, inside the interior walls of the eligible facility, excluding any space therein in which Such designated gaming area shall not contain more than one thousand six hundred thirty-two gaming positions. gaming activities may not be conducted such as bathrooms, stairwells, cage and beverage areas, and emergency evacuation routes that meet or exceed the minimum size required by law;
- b. for the casino operator, those portions of the official gaming establishment in which gaming activities may be conducted. The designated gaming area shall not be less than 100,000 square feet of usable space;
- c. for riverboats, that portion <u>or portions</u> of a riverboat in which gaming <u>activity activities</u> may be conducted. which shall not exceed 60 percent of the total square footage of the passenger access area of the vessel or 30,000 square feet, whichever is less. Such designated gaming area shall not exceed two thousand three hundred sixty-five gaming positions, subject to the rules and regulations of the board. Designated gaming area shall be determined by measuring the area (in square feet) inside the interior walls of the riverboats, excluding any space therein in which gaming activities may not be conducted in areas, such as bathrooms, stairwells, cage and beverage area, and emergency evacuation routes. Plans shall be submitted to and approved by the board or division, as applicable.

Designated Representative – Gaming Operator ...

Gaming Position—a seat at an electronic gaming device or slot machine or a space beside a dice or other table game whereat patrons may game. For electronic gaming devices or slot machines that do not have seats or that have multiple seats, the number of gaming positions shall be determined by the number of persons that may wager during the game. For card tables, one gaming position shall be counted for each betting location indicated on the table layout. For roulette tables, one gaming position shall be counted for the number of different color of non-value table chips used at a table. For craps tables, a half table shall count as eight gaming positions and a full table shall count as sixteen gaming positions. For all other table games, the number of gaming positions shall be determined by the division. In accordance with R.S. 27:65(B)(15), licensees may conduct no more than four tournaments, each no more than fourteen

days in length, per year in which the gaming positions utilized for tournament play are not considered part of the licensee's total number of gaming positions.

Gaming Supplier or Distributor – ROM or Read Only Memory ...

Riverboat—a vessel or facility as defined in the Act upon which where gaming may be conducted.

Securities – Women's Business Enterprise or Woman Owned Business ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 27:15 and 24.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Gaming Control Board, LR 38:1601 (July 2012), amended LR 41:1496 (August 2015), amended LR.

Chapter 27. Accounting Regulations

§2704. Reporting of Gaming Positions

A. On a quarterly basis, a licensee and casino operator shall provide a report to the division, no later than the 10th day following the reported quarter, containing the number of slot machines and table games along with a total number of gaming positions in its designated gaming area, which shall be certified by its general manager. In accordance with R.S. 27:65(B)(15), licensees may conduct no more than four tournaments, each no more than fourteen days in length, per year in which the gaming positions utilized for tournament play are not considered part of the licensee's total number of gaming positions.

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Public Comments

Interested persons may submit written comments to Earl G. Pitre, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Louisiana Department of Justice, Gaming Division, 1885 North Third Street, Fifth Floor, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. All comments must be submitted no later than October 10, 2018.

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