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DIGEST

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Proposed law calls for a statewide referendum election in to be held on November 6, 2018, at the congressional primary election.

Proposed law provides that the proposition on the ballot shall read: "Shall sports wagering be a form of gaming allowed in this parish, pursuant to a gaming license and with the prior approval of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, all in accordance with Louisiana Gaming Control Law?"

Proposed law provides that if a majority of those voting vote in favor of the proposition in a particular parish, a riverboat gaming license holder, land based casino license holder, video draw poker license holder and a pari-mutual live racing license holder of that parish may engage in sports wagering.

Proposed law provides that the licensee shall remain subject to the regulatory authority of the board and present law.

Proposed law provides that the election shall be conducted pursuant to the La. Election Code.

Present law provides for certain forms of authorized gaming activities.

Proposed law adds sports wagering as an authorized form of gaming for riverboat licensees, the land based casino licensee, video draw poker licensees, and pari-mutual live racing licensees and otherwise retains present law.

Provides the provisions regarding the referendum election shall become effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

Provides that provisions regarding sports wagering becoming an authorized form of gaming shall become effective only upon a favorable vote on the referendum.

(Amends R.S. 27:44(10), 205(12), and 353; adds R.S. 18:1300.24 and R.S. 27:412.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the original bill

1. Clarifies that the referendum must be approved in the parish for sports wagering to become a legal form of gaming in the parish.

2. Adds pari-mutual live racing licensees and video draw poker licensees as authorized conductors of sports wagering.