

SENATE BILL NO. 412—SENATOR HARDY

MARCH 21, 2019

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Makes various changes to provisions relating to certain amusement devices. (BDR 52-1049)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to amusement devices; making it a misdemeanor for the operator of an amusement arcade or amusement center to allow a child to operate an amusement device, unless accompanied by an adult; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 This bill makes it a misdemeanor for a person who operates an amusement
2 arcade or amusement center which is open to the general public to allow a person
3 who is under the age of 18 years to operate or play any amusement devise which
4 offers some type of reward for winning other than a free play unless the person is
5 accompanied by an adult. An amusement device does not include any gaming
6 device and is defined as a device used to play a game by inserting currency or
7 another form of payment for the chance to win a prize and which appears to require
8 skill but for which the outcome may be predetermined.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 597 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. A person who operates an amusement arcade or*
4 *amusement center which is open to the general public shall not*
5 *knowingly allow a person who is under the age of 18 years to*
6 *operate or play any amusement device on the premises of the*
7 *amusement arcade or amusement center if the amusement device*



1 offers some type of reward for winning other than a free play,
2 unless the person is accompanied by an adult.

3 2. The provisions of this section do not apply to gaming as
4 defined in NRS 463.0153.

5 3. Violation of the provisions of this section is a
6 misdemeanor.

7 4. As used in this section:

8 (a) "Amusement arcade or amusement center" means a place
9 of business that makes amusement devices available for use by the
10 general public for a charge.

11 (b) "Amusement device" means a device:

12 (1) That may be used to play a game by inserting currency
13 or another form of payment for the chance to win a prize; and

14 (2) Which appears to require skill, but for which the
15 outcome may be set by the operator of the device in a manner that
16 is not reasonably apparent to the player and which may:

17 (I) Prevent the player from winning;

18 (II) Determine which player will win;

19 (III) Determine the reward to be received by the player;

20 (IV) Determine the frequency by which any player will
21 win; or

22 (V) Use random number generator of any kind to
23 determine the frequency by which a player will win.

