

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 784

To amend title 28 of the United States Code to exclude the State of New Jersey from the prohibition on professional and amateur sports gambling to the extent approved by the legislature of the State.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 2017

Mr. PALLONE (for himself and Mr. LOBIONDO) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “New Jersey Betting
5 and Equal Treatment Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXCLUSION OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FROM**
2 **THE PROHIBITION ON AMATEUR AND PRO-**
3 **FESSIONAL SPORTS GAMBLING TO THE EX-**
4 **TENT APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF**
5 **THE STATE.**

6 Section 3704(a) of title 28, United States Code, is
7 amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking “or” at the
9 end;

10 (2) in paragraph (4), by striking the period at
11 the end and inserting “; or”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(5) a lottery, sweepstakes, or other betting,
14 gambling, or wagering scheme operating exclusively in
15 the State of New Jersey, to the extent such scheme
16 is approved by the legislature of the State by stat-
17 ute.”.

18 **SEC. 3. APPLICABILITY.**

19 The amendments made by this Act apply to conduct
20 occurring on or after the date of the enactment of this
21 Act.

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