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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 95, L.D. 139, “Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapters 33 to 43, Concerning the Regulation of Fantasy Gambling, Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit”

Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapters 33 to 43, Concerning the Regulation of Fantasy Contests, Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the last line (page 1, line 22 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "authorized." and inserting the following: 'authorized only if the following changes are made:

1. The rules must be amended in Chapter 37, Section 3(3) and Section 3(4) to clarify that fantasy contest operators must include in all advertising and promotions a statement explaining that individuals under 18 years of age may not participate in fantasy contests and that fantasy contest operators may not state or imply an endorsement by a minor in any advertising or promotions;

2. The rules must be amended in Chapter 37, Section 3(3) and Section 3(5) to clarify that fantasy contest operators must include a link to a local, state or federal hotline for assistance with problem gambling in all advertising and promotions and that fantasy contest operators may not target fantasy contestants who have a gambling addiction, including fantasy contestants who have requested to be restricted from play on a fantasy contest operator's platform, in any advertising or promotions;

3. The rules must be amended to substitute the phrase “fantasy contestant account” for the phrase "fantasy contest account" in the title of Chapter 38, in Chapter 38, Section 1 and in any other relevant sections;

4. The rules must be amended in Chapter 38, Section 1(14) and any other relevant sections to clarify that fantasy contest operators must implement methods to prevent cheating and improper manipulation of fantasy contests to the greatest extent possible;
5. The rules must be amended to relocate the provisions of Chapter 38, Sections 1(10) to 1(18) to Chapter 37 or another appropriate location;

6. The rules must be amended in Chapter 42, in the 2nd occurrence of Section 1, to clarify whether the director of the Gambling Control Unit will calculate a licensed fantasy contest operator's gross fantasy contest revenues over the calendar year, over the 12-month term of the license or over another specified 12-month period for purposes of Title 8, section 1105, subsection 2;

7. All necessary grammatical, formatting, punctuation and other technical nonsubstantive editing changes must be made to the rules, including, but not limited to, the amendment of incorrect cross-references, the correction of nonsequential section, subsection, paragraph and subparagraph numbering or lettering in the rules and the replacement of gender-specific terms with gender-neutral terms; and

8. All other necessary changes must be made to the rules to ensure conformity throughout the rules and consistency with the provisions of this section.

The Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit is not required to hold hearings or undertake further proceedings prior to final adoption of the rules in accordance with this section.'

Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment changes the title of the resolve and authorizes final adoption of Chapter 33: Introduction; Chapter 34: Definitions; Chapter 35: License Application; Chapter 36: License Fee and Renewal; Chapter 37: Fantasy Contest Monitoring; Chapter 38: Fantasy Contest Account Activity; Chapter 39: Registration of Fantasy Contestants; Chapter 40: Fantasy Contestant Funds and Required Reserves; Chapter 41: Licensee Records, Annual Reporting and Audits; Chapter 42: Collection of Payments; and Chapter 43: Complaints and Disciplinary Actions, major substantive rules of the Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit, only if a number of specified technical changes to the rules are made prior to final adoption.