97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/24/2011, by Rep. Naomi D. Jakobsson

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

750 ILCS 28/56 new

Amends the Income Support Withholding Act. Provides that the Department of Healthcare and Family Services or Human Services shall provide to licensees under the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 or the Riverboat Gambling Act information concerning all individuals who are delinquent in child support by granting them access to the State Case Registry established under the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that the information made available to the licensees is limited to identifying information and the amount of delinquency. Provides that if a licensee is to pay cash winnings to a person in the amount of \$1,000 or more, the licensee: may deduct an administrative fee from the winnings; shall withhold the amount of delinquent child support owed from the cash winnings; and transmit the amount withheld to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services. Provides that the Department shall notify the obligor that it intends to offset the obligor's delinquent child support with the cash winnings, but that the Department will not do so for 10 business days. Provides that the delinquent child support withheld and the administrative fee have priority over any claim on cash winnings, except claims for federal or State taxes. Provides that the Department and the Illinois Gaming Board shall adopt rules to administer these provisions. Provides that a licensee is immune from civil or criminal liability when complying with these provisions or the rules adopted concerning these provisions.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning child support.

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2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Income Support Withholding Act is amended by
adding Section 56 as follows:

6 (750 ILCS 28/56 new)

7 <u>Sec. 56. Withholding from gaming winnings.</u>

(a) Delinquency information. The Department of Healthcare 8 9 and Family Services shall provide information to each licensee 10 under the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 or the Riverboat Gambling Act concerning all individuals who are delinquent in 11 12 child support who are identified in the State Case Registry established pursuant to Section 10-27 of the Illinois Public 13 14 Aid Code. The information made available to a licensee under this Section about each individual obligor who is designated as 15 16 delinquent in child support in the State Case Registry, shall 17 include appropriate identifying information, the amount of the 18 delinquency, and other information necessary to remit payment 19 to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

(b) Licensee withholding obligations. If a licensee under
 the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 or the Riverboat Gambling
 Act, as a payor, is to pay cash winnings in the amount of
 \$1,000 or more to a person identified pursuant to this Section

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1	in the State Case Registry, the licensee:
2	(1) may deduct and retain an administrative fee in the
3	amount of the lesser of: 3% of the amount of delinquent
4	child support withheld under this Section or \$100;
5	(2) shall withhold the amount of delinquent child
6	support owed from the cash winnings or so much of the
7	delinquent child support owed that is collectible from the
8	<u>cash winnings;</u>
9	(3) transmit to the Department of Healthcare and Family
10	Services, within 7 business days after the date the cash
11	winnings were paid or claimed: the amount withheld under
12	this Section; identifying information, including the full
13	name, address, and social security number of the obligor
14	and the child support case identifier; the date and amount
15	of the cash winnings and the amount withheld; and the name,
16	location and contact information of the licensee; and
17	(4) issue to the obligor a receipt, in a form
18	prescribed by the Department of Healthcare and Family
19	Services, stating the total amount withheld from the cash
20	winnings for delinquent child support and the
21	administrative fee.
22	(c) Notification. The Department of Healthcare and Family
23	Services shall provide written notice to the obligor, at the
24	address provided by the licensee, that the Department intends
25	to offset the obligor's delinquent child support with some or
26	all of his or her cash winnings. The Department shall hold the

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1 amount withheld from the cash winnings of an obligor for 10
2 business days after sending the written notice to the obligor
3 before applying the amount as payment to the obligor's
4 delinguent child support.

5 <u>(d) The delinquent child support required to be withheld</u> 6 <u>under this Section and an administrative fee under Section have</u> 7 <u>priority over any secured or unsecured claim on cash winnings,</u> 8 <u>except claims for federal or State taxes that are required to</u> 9 <u>be withheld under federal or State law.</u>

(e) Enforcement. The Department of Healthcare and Family
 Services and the Illinois Gaming Board shall provide for
 enforcement of this Section by rule.

13 (f) Immunity. A licensee is immune from civil or criminal 14 liability for acting in conformity with this Section or the 15 rules applicable to a licensee under this Section.