



## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SB2523

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

230 ILCS 10/5  
230 ILCS 40/15

from Ch. 120, par. 2405

Amends the Riverboat Gambling Act and the Video Gaming Act. Provides that, for the examination of all mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic table games, slot machines, slot accounting systems, and other electronic gaming equipment for compliance with the Acts, the Illinois Gaming Board shall (rather than may) utilize the services of any independent outside testing laboratory that has (rather than one or more independent outside testing laboratories that have been) accredited by a national accreditation body signifying it is qualified to perform such examinations (removing language regarding the Board's judgment of the laboratories qualifications to perform the examinations). Provides that the Board shall not unreasonably withhold its recognition of an accredited independent outside testing laboratory as long as the laboratory is found suitable by the Board and holds a license to perform such examinations in good standing in New Jersey, Nevada, or Mississippi.

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1 AN ACT concerning gaming.

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

4 Section 5. The Riverboat Gambling Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 5 as follows:

6 (230 ILCS 10/5) (from Ch. 120, par. 2405)

7 Sec. 5. Gaming Board.

8 (a) (1) There is hereby established the Illinois Gaming  
9 Board, which shall have the powers and duties specified in this  
10 Act, and all other powers necessary and proper to fully and  
11 effectively execute this Act for the purpose of administering,  
12 regulating, and enforcing the system of riverboat gambling  
13 established by this Act. Its jurisdiction shall extend under  
14 this Act to every person, association, corporation,  
15 partnership and trust involved in riverboat gambling  
16 operations in the State of Illinois.

17 (2) The Board shall consist of 5 members to be appointed by  
18 the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, one of  
19 whom shall be designated by the Governor to be chairman. Each  
20 member shall have a reasonable knowledge of the practice,  
21 procedure and principles of gambling operations. Each member  
22 shall either be a resident of Illinois or shall certify that he  
23 will become a resident of Illinois before taking office. At

1 least one member shall be experienced in law enforcement and  
2 criminal investigation, at least one member shall be a  
3 certified public accountant experienced in accounting and  
4 auditing, and at least one member shall be a lawyer licensed to  
5 practice law in Illinois.

6 (3) The terms of office of the Board members shall be 3  
7 years, except that the terms of office of the initial Board  
8 members appointed pursuant to this Act will commence from the  
9 effective date of this Act and run as follows: one for a term  
10 ending July 1, 1991, 2 for a term ending July 1, 1992, and 2 for  
11 a term ending July 1, 1993. Upon the expiration of the  
12 foregoing terms, the successors of such members shall serve a  
13 term for 3 years and until their successors are appointed and  
14 qualified for like terms. Vacancies in the Board shall be  
15 filled for the unexpired term in like manner as original  
16 appointments. Each member of the Board shall be eligible for  
17 reappointment at the discretion of the Governor with the advice  
18 and consent of the Senate.

19 (4) Each member of the Board shall receive \$300 for each  
20 day the Board meets and for each day the member conducts any  
21 hearing pursuant to this Act. Each member of the Board shall  
22 also be reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses and  
23 disbursements incurred in the execution of official duties.

24 (5) No person shall be appointed a member of the Board or  
25 continue to be a member of the Board who is, or whose spouse,  
26 child or parent is, a member of the board of directors of, or a

1 person financially interested in, any gambling operation  
2 subject to the jurisdiction of this Board, or any race track,  
3 race meeting, racing association or the operations thereof  
4 subject to the jurisdiction of the Illinois Racing Board. No  
5 Board member shall hold any other public office. No person  
6 shall be a member of the Board who is not of good moral  
7 character or who has been convicted of, or is under indictment  
8 for, a felony under the laws of Illinois or any other state, or  
9 the United States.

10 (5.5) No member of the Board shall engage in any political  
11 activity. For the purposes of this Section, "political" means  
12 any activity in support of or in connection with any campaign  
13 for federal, State, or local elective office or any political  
14 organization, but does not include activities (i) relating to  
15 the support or opposition of any executive, legislative, or  
16 administrative action (as those terms are defined in Section 2  
17 of the Lobbyist Registration Act), (ii) relating to collective  
18 bargaining, or (iii) that are otherwise in furtherance of the  
19 person's official State duties or governmental and public  
20 service functions.

21 (6) Any member of the Board may be removed by the Governor  
22 for neglect of duty, misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance  
23 in office or for engaging in any political activity.

24 (7) Before entering upon the discharge of the duties of his  
25 office, each member of the Board shall take an oath that he  
26 will faithfully execute the duties of his office according to

1 the laws of the State and the rules and regulations adopted  
2 therewith and shall give bond to the State of Illinois,  
3 approved by the Governor, in the sum of \$25,000. Every such  
4 bond, when duly executed and approved, shall be recorded in the  
5 office of the Secretary of State. Whenever the Governor  
6 determines that the bond of any member of the Board has become  
7 or is likely to become invalid or insufficient, he shall  
8 require such member forthwith to renew his bond, which is to be  
9 approved by the Governor. Any member of the Board who fails to  
10 take oath and give bond within 30 days from the date of his  
11 appointment, or who fails to renew his bond within 30 days  
12 after it is demanded by the Governor, shall be guilty of  
13 neglect of duty and may be removed by the Governor. The cost of  
14 any bond given by any member of the Board under this Section  
15 shall be taken to be a part of the necessary expenses of the  
16 Board.

17 (7.5) For the examination of all mechanical,  
18 electromechanical, or electronic table games, slot machines,  
19 slot accounting systems, and other electronic gaming equipment  
20 for compliance with this Act, the Board shall ~~may~~ utilize the  
21 services of any ~~one or more~~ independent outside testing  
22 laboratory that has ~~laboratories that have~~ been accredited by a  
23 national accreditation body signifying it is qualified to ~~and~~  
24 ~~that, in the judgment of the Board, are qualified to~~ perform  
25 such examinations. The Board shall not unreasonably withhold  
26 its recognition of an accredited independent outside testing

1 laboratory as long as the laboratory is found suitable by the  
2 Board and holds a license to perform such examinations in good  
3 standing in New Jersey, Nevada, or Mississippi.

4 (8) The Board shall employ such personnel as may be  
5 necessary to carry out its functions and shall determine the  
6 salaries of all personnel, except those personnel whose  
7 salaries are determined under the terms of a collective  
8 bargaining agreement. No person shall be employed to serve the  
9 Board who is, or whose spouse, parent or child is, an official  
10 of, or has a financial interest in or financial relation with,  
11 any operator engaged in gambling operations within this State  
12 or any organization engaged in conducting horse racing within  
13 this State. Any employee violating these prohibitions shall be  
14 subject to termination of employment.

15 (9) An Administrator shall perform any and all duties that  
16 the Board shall assign him. The salary of the Administrator  
17 shall be determined by the Board and, in addition, he shall be  
18 reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses incurred by  
19 him in discharge of his official duties. The Administrator  
20 shall keep records of all proceedings of the Board and shall  
21 preserve all records, books, documents and other papers  
22 belonging to the Board or entrusted to its care. The  
23 Administrator shall devote his full time to the duties of the  
24 office and shall not hold any other office or employment.

25 (b) The Board shall have general responsibility for the  
26 implementation of this Act. Its duties include, without

1 limitation, the following:

2 (1) To decide promptly and in reasonable order all  
3 license applications. Any party aggrieved by an action of  
4 the Board denying, suspending, revoking, restricting or  
5 refusing to renew a license may request a hearing before  
6 the Board. A request for a hearing must be made to the  
7 Board in writing within 5 days after service of notice of  
8 the action of the Board. Notice of the action of the Board  
9 shall be served either by personal delivery or by certified  
10 mail, postage prepaid, to the aggrieved party. Notice  
11 served by certified mail shall be deemed complete on the  
12 business day following the date of such mailing. The Board  
13 shall conduct all requested hearings promptly and in  
14 reasonable order;

15 (2) To conduct all hearings pertaining to civil  
16 violations of this Act or rules and regulations promulgated  
17 hereunder;

18 (3) To promulgate such rules and regulations as in its  
19 judgment may be necessary to protect or enhance the  
20 credibility and integrity of gambling operations  
21 authorized by this Act and the regulatory process  
22 hereunder;

23 (4) To provide for the establishment and collection of  
24 all license and registration fees and taxes imposed by this  
25 Act and the rules and regulations issued pursuant hereto.  
26 All such fees and taxes shall be deposited into the State

1 Gaming Fund;

2 (5) To provide for the levy and collection of penalties  
3 and fines for the violation of provisions of this Act and  
4 the rules and regulations promulgated hereunder. All such  
5 fines and penalties shall be deposited into the Education  
6 Assistance Fund, created by Public Act 86-0018, of the  
7 State of Illinois;

8 (6) To be present through its inspectors and agents any  
9 time gambling operations are conducted on any riverboat for  
10 the purpose of certifying the revenue thereof, receiving  
11 complaints from the public, and conducting such other  
12 investigations into the conduct of the gambling games and  
13 the maintenance of the equipment as from time to time the  
14 Board may deem necessary and proper;

15 (7) To review and rule upon any complaint by a licensee  
16 regarding any investigative procedures of the State which  
17 are unnecessarily disruptive of gambling operations. The  
18 need to inspect and investigate shall be presumed at all  
19 times. The disruption of a licensee's operations shall be  
20 proved by clear and convincing evidence, and establish  
21 that: (A) the procedures had no reasonable law enforcement  
22 purposes, and (B) the procedures were so disruptive as to  
23 unreasonably inhibit gambling operations;

24 (8) To hold at least one meeting each quarter of the  
25 fiscal year. In addition, special meetings may be called by  
26 the Chairman or any 2 Board members upon 72 hours written



1 notice to each member. All Board meetings shall be subject  
2 to the Open Meetings Act. Three members of the Board shall  
3 constitute a quorum, and 3 votes shall be required for any  
4 final determination by the Board. The Board shall keep a  
5 complete and accurate record of all its meetings. A  
6 majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a  
7 quorum for the transaction of any business, for the  
8 performance of any duty, or for the exercise of any power  
9 which this Act requires the Board members to transact,  
10 perform or exercise en banc, except that, upon order of the  
11 Board, one of the Board members or an administrative law  
12 judge designated by the Board may conduct any hearing  
13 provided for under this Act or by Board rule and may  
14 recommend findings and decisions to the Board. The Board  
15 member or administrative law judge conducting such hearing  
16 shall have all powers and rights granted to the Board in  
17 this Act. The record made at the time of the hearing shall  
18 be reviewed by the Board, or a majority thereof, and the  
19 findings and decision of the majority of the Board shall  
20 constitute the order of the Board in such case;

21 (9) To maintain records which are separate and distinct  
22 from the records of any other State board or commission.  
23 Such records shall be available for public inspection and  
24 shall accurately reflect all Board proceedings;

25 (10) To file a written annual report with the Governor  
26 on or before March 1 each year and such additional reports

1 as the Governor may request. The annual report shall  
2 include a statement of receipts and disbursements by the  
3 Board, actions taken by the Board, and any additional  
4 information and recommendations which the Board may deem  
5 valuable or which the Governor may request;

6 (11) (Blank);

7 (12) (Blank);

8 (13) To assume responsibility for administration and  
9 enforcement of the Video Gaming Act; and

10 (14) To adopt, by rule, a code of conduct governing  
11 Board members and employees that ensure, to the maximum  
12 extent possible, that persons subject to this Code avoid  
13 situations, relationships, or associations that may  
14 represent or lead to a conflict of interest.

15 (c) The Board shall have jurisdiction over and shall  
16 supervise all gambling operations governed by this Act. The  
17 Board shall have all powers necessary and proper to fully and  
18 effectively execute the provisions of this Act, including, but  
19 not limited to, the following:

20 (1) To investigate applicants and determine the  
21 eligibility of applicants for licenses and to select among  
22 competing applicants the applicants which best serve the  
23 interests of the citizens of Illinois.

24 (2) To have jurisdiction and supervision over all  
25 riverboat gambling operations in this State and all persons  
26 on riverboats where gambling operations are conducted.

1           (3) To promulgate rules and regulations for the purpose  
2 of administering the provisions of this Act and to  
3 prescribe rules, regulations and conditions under which  
4 all riverboat gambling in the State shall be conducted.  
5 Such rules and regulations are to provide for the  
6 prevention of practices detrimental to the public interest  
7 and for the best interests of riverboat gambling, including  
8 rules and regulations regarding the inspection of such  
9 riverboats and the review of any permits or licenses  
10 necessary to operate a riverboat under any laws or  
11 regulations applicable to riverboats, and to impose  
12 penalties for violations thereof.

13           (4) To enter the office, riverboats, facilities, or  
14 other places of business of a licensee, where evidence of  
15 the compliance or noncompliance with the provisions of this  
16 Act is likely to be found.

17           (5) To investigate alleged violations of this Act or  
18 the rules of the Board and to take appropriate disciplinary  
19 action against a licensee or a holder of an occupational  
20 license for a violation, or institute appropriate legal  
21 action for enforcement, or both.

22           (6) To adopt standards for the licensing of all persons  
23 under this Act, as well as for electronic or mechanical  
24 gambling games, and to establish fees for such licenses.

25           (7) To adopt appropriate standards for all riverboats  
26 and facilities.

1           (8) To require that the records, including financial or  
2 other statements of any licensee under this Act, shall be  
3 kept in such manner as prescribed by the Board and that any  
4 such licensee involved in the ownership or management of  
5 gambling operations submit to the Board an annual balance  
6 sheet and profit and loss statement, list of the  
7 stockholders or other persons having a 1% or greater  
8 beneficial interest in the gambling activities of each  
9 licensee, and any other information the Board deems  
10 necessary in order to effectively administer this Act and  
11 all rules, regulations, orders and final decisions  
12 promulgated under this Act.

13           (9) To conduct hearings, issue subpoenas for the  
14 attendance of witnesses and subpoenas duces tecum for the  
15 production of books, records and other pertinent documents  
16 in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedure  
17 Act, and to administer oaths and affirmations to the  
18 witnesses, when, in the judgment of the Board, it is  
19 necessary to administer or enforce this Act or the Board  
20 rules.

21           (10) To prescribe a form to be used by any licensee  
22 involved in the ownership or management of gambling  
23 operations as an application for employment for their  
24 employees.

25           (11) To revoke or suspend licenses, as the Board may  
26 see fit and in compliance with applicable laws of the State

1 regarding administrative procedures, and to review  
2 applications for the renewal of licenses. The Board may  
3 suspend an owners license, without notice or hearing upon a  
4 determination that the safety or health of patrons or  
5 employees is jeopardized by continuing a riverboat's  
6 operation. The suspension may remain in effect until the  
7 Board determines that the cause for suspension has been  
8 abated. The Board may revoke the owners license upon a  
9 determination that the owner has not made satisfactory  
10 progress toward abating the hazard.

11 (12) To eject or exclude or authorize the ejection or  
12 exclusion of, any person from riverboat gambling  
13 facilities where such person is in violation of this Act,  
14 rules and regulations thereunder, or final orders of the  
15 Board, or where such person's conduct or reputation is such  
16 that his presence within the riverboat gambling facilities  
17 may, in the opinion of the Board, call into question the  
18 honesty and integrity of the gambling operations or  
19 interfere with orderly conduct thereof; provided that the  
20 propriety of such ejection or exclusion is subject to  
21 subsequent hearing by the Board.

22 (13) To require all licensees of gambling operations to  
23 utilize a cashless wagering system whereby all players'  
24 money is converted to tokens, electronic cards, or chips  
25 which shall be used only for wagering in the gambling  
26 establishment.

1 (14) (Blank).

2 (15) To suspend, revoke or restrict licenses, to  
3 require the removal of a licensee or an employee of a  
4 licensee for a violation of this Act or a Board rule or for  
5 engaging in a fraudulent practice, and to impose civil  
6 penalties of up to \$5,000 against individuals and up to  
7 \$10,000 or an amount equal to the daily gross receipts,  
8 whichever is larger, against licensees for each violation  
9 of any provision of the Act, any rules adopted by the  
10 Board, any order of the Board or any other action which, in  
11 the Board's discretion, is a detriment or impediment to  
12 riverboat gambling operations.

13 (16) To hire employees to gather information, conduct  
14 investigations and carry out any other tasks contemplated  
15 under this Act.

16 (17) To establish minimum levels of insurance to be  
17 maintained by licensees.

18 (18) To authorize a licensee to sell or serve alcoholic  
19 liquors, wine or beer as defined in the Liquor Control Act  
20 of 1934 on board a riverboat and to have exclusive  
21 authority to establish the hours for sale and consumption  
22 of alcoholic liquor on board a riverboat, notwithstanding  
23 any provision of the Liquor Control Act of 1934 or any  
24 local ordinance, and regardless of whether the riverboat  
25 makes excursions. The establishment of the hours for sale  
26 and consumption of alcoholic liquor on board a riverboat is

1 an exclusive power and function of the State. A home rule  
2 unit may not establish the hours for sale and consumption  
3 of alcoholic liquor on board a riverboat. This amendatory  
4 Act of 1991 is a denial and limitation of home rule powers  
5 and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article  
6 VII of the Illinois Constitution.

7 (19) After consultation with the U.S. Army Corps of  
8 Engineers, to establish binding emergency orders upon the  
9 concurrence of a majority of the members of the Board  
10 regarding the navigability of water, relative to  
11 excursions, in the event of extreme weather conditions,  
12 acts of God or other extreme circumstances.

13 (20) To delegate the execution of any of its powers  
14 under this Act for the purpose of administering and  
15 enforcing this Act and its rules and regulations hereunder.

16 (20.5) To approve any contract entered into on its  
17 behalf.

18 (20.6) To appoint investigators to conduct  
19 investigations, searches, seizures, arrests, and other  
20 duties imposed under this Act, as deemed necessary by the  
21 Board. These investigators have and may exercise all of the  
22 rights and powers of peace officers, provided that these  
23 powers shall be limited to offenses or violations occurring  
24 or committed on a riverboat or dock, as defined in  
25 subsections (d) and (f) of Section 4, or as otherwise  
26 provided by this Act or any other law.

1           (20.7) To contract with the Department of State Police  
2           for the use of trained and qualified State police officers  
3           and with the Department of Revenue for the use of trained  
4           and qualified Department of Revenue investigators to  
5           conduct investigations, searches, seizures, arrests, and  
6           other duties imposed under this Act and to exercise all of  
7           the rights and powers of peace officers, provided that the  
8           powers of Department of Revenue investigators under this  
9           subdivision (20.7) shall be limited to offenses or  
10          violations occurring or committed on a riverboat or dock,  
11          as defined in subsections (d) and (f) of Section 4, or as  
12          otherwise provided by this Act or any other law. In the  
13          event the Department of State Police or the Department of  
14          Revenue is unable to fill contracted police or  
15          investigative positions, the Board may appoint  
16          investigators to fill those positions pursuant to  
17          subdivision (20.6).

18          (21) To take any other action as may be reasonable or  
19          appropriate to enforce this Act and rules and regulations  
20          hereunder.

21          (d) The Board may seek and shall receive the cooperation of  
22          the Department of State Police in conducting background  
23          investigations of applicants and in fulfilling its  
24          responsibilities under this Section. Costs incurred by the  
25          Department of State Police as a result of such cooperation  
26          shall be paid by the Board in conformance with the requirements



1 of Section 2605-400 of the Department of State Police Law (20  
2 ILCS 2605/2605-400).

3 (e) The Board must authorize to each investigator and to  
4 any other employee of the Board exercising the powers of a  
5 peace officer a distinct badge that, on its face, (i) clearly  
6 states that the badge is authorized by the Board and (ii)  
7 contains a unique identifying number. No other badge shall be  
8 authorized by the Board.

9 (Source: P.A. 98-377, eff. 1-1-14; 98-582, eff. 8-27-13.)

10 Section 10. The Video Gaming Act is amended by changing  
11 Section 15 as follows:

12 (230 ILCS 40/15)

13 Sec. 15. Minimum requirements for licensing and  
14 registration. Every video gaming terminal offered for play  
15 shall first be tested and approved pursuant to the rules of the  
16 Board, and each video gaming terminal offered in this State for  
17 play shall conform to an approved model. For the examination of  
18 video gaming machines and associated equipment as required by  
19 this Section, the Board shall ~~may~~ utilize the services of any  
20 ~~one or more~~ independent outside testing laboratory that has  
21 ~~laboratories that have~~ been accredited by a national  
22 accreditation body signifying it is qualified to ~~and that, in~~  
23 ~~the judgment of the Board, are qualified to~~ perform such  
24 examinations. The Board shall not unreasonably withhold its

1 recognition of an accredited independent outside testing  
2 laboratory as long as the laboratory is found suitable by the  
3 Board and holds a license to perform such examinations in good  
4 standing in New Jersey, Nevada, or Mississippi. Every video  
5 gaming terminal offered in this State for play must meet  
6 minimum standards ~~set by an independent outside testing~~  
7 ~~laboratory~~ approved by the Board. Each approved model shall, at  
8 a minimum, meet the following criteria:

9 (1) It must conform to all requirements of federal law  
10 and regulations, including FCC Class A Emissions  
11 Standards.

12 (2) It must theoretically pay out a mathematically  
13 demonstrable percentage during the expected lifetime of  
14 the machine of all amounts played, which must not be less  
15 than 80%. The Board shall establish a maximum payout  
16 percentage for approved models by rule. Video gaming  
17 terminals that may be affected by skill must meet this  
18 standard when using a method of play that will provide the  
19 greatest return to the player over a period of continuous  
20 play.

21 (3) It must use a random selection process to determine  
22 the outcome of each play of a game. The random selection  
23 process must meet 99% confidence limits using a standard  
24 chi-squared test for (randomness) goodness of fit.

25 (4) It must display an accurate representation of the  
26 game outcome.

1           (5) It must not automatically alter pay tables or any  
2 function of the video gaming terminal based on internal  
3 computation of hold percentage or have any means of  
4 manipulation that affects the random selection process or  
5 probabilities of winning a game.

6           (6) It must not be adversely affected by static  
7 discharge or other electromagnetic interference.

8           (7) It must be capable of detecting and displaying the  
9 following conditions during idle states or on demand: power  
10 reset; door open; and door just closed.

11           (8) It must have the capacity to display complete play  
12 history (outcome, intermediate play steps, credits  
13 available, bets placed, credits paid, and credits cashed  
14 out) for the most recent game played and 10 games prior  
15 thereto.

16           (9) The theoretical payback percentage of a video  
17 gaming terminal must not be capable of being changed  
18 without making a hardware or software change in the video  
19 gaming terminal, either on site or via the central  
20 communications system.

21           (10) Video gaming terminals must be designed so that  
22 replacement of parts or modules required for normal  
23 maintenance does not necessitate replacement of the  
24 electromechanical meters.

25           (11) It must have nonresettable meters housed in a  
26 locked area of the terminal that keep a permanent record of

1 all cash inserted into the machine, all winnings made by  
2 the terminal printer, credits played in for video gaming  
3 terminals, and credits won by video gaming players. The  
4 video gaming terminal must provide the means for on-demand  
5 display of stored information as determined by the Board.

6 (12) Electronically stored meter information required  
7 by this Section must be preserved for a minimum of 180 days  
8 after a power loss to the service.

9 (13) It must have one or more mechanisms that accept  
10 cash in the form of bills. The mechanisms shall be designed  
11 to prevent obtaining credits without paying by stringing,  
12 slamming, drilling, or other means. If such attempts at  
13 physical tampering are made, the video gaming terminal  
14 shall suspend itself from operating until reset.

15 (14) It shall have accounting software that keeps an  
16 electronic record which includes, but is not limited to,  
17 the following: total cash inserted into the video gaming  
18 terminal; the value of winning tickets claimed by players;  
19 the total credits played; the total credits awarded by a  
20 video gaming terminal; and pay back percentage credited to  
21 players of each video game.

22 (15) It shall be linked by a central communications  
23 system to provide auditing program information as approved  
24 by the Board. The central communications system shall use a  
25 standard industry protocol, as defined by the Gaming  
26 Standards Association, and shall have the functionality to

1 enable the Board or its designee to activate or deactivate  
2 individual gaming devices from the central communications  
3 system. In no event may the communications system approved  
4 by the Board limit participation to only one manufacturer  
5 of video gaming terminals by either the cost in  
6 implementing the necessary program modifications to  
7 communicate or the inability to communicate with the  
8 central communications system.

9 (16) The Board, in its discretion, may require video  
10 gaming terminals to display Amber Alert messages if the  
11 Board makes a finding that it would be economically and  
12 technically feasible and pose no risk to the integrity and  
13 security of the central communications system and video  
14 gaming terminals.

15 The Board may adopt rules to establish additional criteria  
16 to preserve the integrity and security of video gaming in this  
17 State. The central communications system vendor may be licensed  
18 as a video gaming terminal manufacturer or a video gaming  
19 terminal distributor, or both, but in no event shall the  
20 central communications system vendor be licensed as a video  
21 gaming terminal operator.

22 The Board shall not permit the development of information  
23 or the use by any licensee of gaming device or individual game  
24 performance data. Nothing in this Act shall inhibit or prohibit  
25 the Board from the use of gaming device or individual game  
26 performance data in its regulatory duties. The Board shall

1 adopt rules to ensure that all licensees are treated and all  
2 licensees act in a non-discriminatory manner and develop  
3 processes and penalties to enforce those rules.

4 (Source: P.A. 98-31, eff. 6-24-13; 98-377, eff. 1-1-14; 98-582,  
5 eff. 8-27-13; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14.)