

## Assembly Bill No. 163

### CHAPTER 647

An act to add Section 19965 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to gambling.

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

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The Gambling Control Act authorizes a city or county to permit controlled gambling, consistent with state law, if a majority of voters affirmatively approve an ordinance so permitting, as specified. That law authorizes an amendment of an ordinance permitting an expansion of gambling, within a specified limit, without voter approval, and also authorizes, without voter approval, an amendment to an ordinance permitting an increase of 24.99% in the number of gambling tables that may be operated in a gambling establishment or 2 gambling tables, whichever is greater, compared to the ordinance in effect on January 1, 1996.

This bill would further authorize a city or county, without voter approval, to amend an ordinance to increase the number of gambling tables that may be operated in a gambling establishment by 3 tables if the ordinance in effect on July 1, 2007, provided for 5 to 8 tables, and by 4 tables if the ordinance in effect on July 1, 2007, provided for 9 to 12 tables.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 19965 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

19965. Notwithstanding Sections 19961 and 19962, a city, county, or city and county may amend an ordinance to increase the number of gambling tables that may be operated in a gambling establishment as follows:

(a) If the ordinance in effect on July 1, 2007, provided for five to eight tables, inclusive, the amended ordinance may allow an increase of three tables.

(b) If the ordinance in effect on July 1, 2007, provided for nine to 12 tables, inclusive, the amended ordinance may allow an increase of four tables.

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