

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1342**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Jones-Sawyer**

February 22, 2013

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An act to amend Section 19867 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to gaming.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1342, as introduced, Jones-Sawyer. Gambling activities and establishments.

The Gambling Control Act provides for the licensure and regulation of various legalized gambling activities and establishments by the California Gambling Control Commission and the investigation and enforcement of those activities and establishments by the Department of Justice. The act requires an application for a license or a determination of suitability to be accompanied by the deposit of a sum of money that will be adequate to pay the anticipated costs and charges incurred in the investigation and processing of the application. The designated chief at the department is required to adopt a schedule of costs and charges of investigation for use as guidelines in fixing the amount of the required deposit.

This bill would require the department and the commission to establish an enhanced fee schedule for applicants who wish to have their applications processed and background investigations conducted in an expedited manner.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 19867 of the Business and Professions  
2 Code is amended to read:

3 19867. (a) An application for a license or a determination of  
4 suitability shall be accompanied by the deposit of a sum of money  
5 that, in the judgment of the chief, will be adequate to pay the  
6 anticipated costs and charges incurred in the investigation and  
7 processing of the application. The chief shall adopt a schedule of  
8 costs and charges of investigation for use as guidelines in fixing  
9 the amount of any required deposit under this section. The schedule  
10 shall distinguish between initial and renewal licenses with respect  
11 to costs and charges.

12 (b) During an investigation, the chief may require an applicant  
13 to deposit any additional sums as are required by the department  
14 to pay final costs and charges of the investigation.

15 (c) Any money received from an applicant in excess of the costs  
16 and charges incurred in the investigation or the processing of the  
17 application shall be refunded pursuant to regulations adopted by  
18 the department. At the conclusion of the investigation, the chief  
19 shall provide the applicant a written, itemized accounting of the  
20 costs and charges thereby incurred.

21 (d) *The department and the commission shall establish an*  
22 *enhanced fee schedule for applicants who wish to have their*  
23 *applications processed and background investigations conducted*  
24 *in an expedited manner. The payment of those enhanced fees shall*  
25 *entitle the applicant to have its application processed and its*  
26 *background investigation conducted in a shorter period of time*  
27 *than normally would be the case. The amount of the fee shall be*  
28 *set to reflect the reasonable costs to the department and the*  
29 *commission of providing the expedited review.*