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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 230

Introduced by Assembly Member Waldron

February 4, 2015

An act to amend Section ~~19803~~ 19817 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to gambling.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 230, as amended, Waldron. Gambling.

Existing law, 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. Existing law requires the commission to establish a 10-member Gaming Policy Advisory Committee for the purpose of discussing matters of controlled gambling regulatory policy and other relevant gambling-related issues. The committee is composed of representatives of controlled gambling licensees and members of the general public in equal numbers.

This bill would increase the membership of the committee from 10 to 12 members.

~~Existing law, 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. Existing law declares the intent of the Legislature in enacting the act to provide uniform, minimum standards for the regulation of permissible gambling activities and the operation~~

of lawful gambling establishments. Existing law provides that nothing in those licensing and regulatory provisions precludes a city, county, or city and county from prohibiting a gambling activity, or affects the responsibility of local law enforcement agencies to enforce the laws of this state.

~~This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.~~

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 19817 of the Business and Professions
2 Code is amended to read:

3 19817. The commission shall establish and appoint a Gaming
4 Policy Advisory Committee of ~~40~~ 12 members. The committee
5 shall be composed of representatives of controlled gambling
6 licensees and members of the general public in equal numbers.
7 The executive director shall, from time to time, convene the
8 committee for the purpose of discussing matters of controlled
9 gambling regulatory policy and any other relevant gambling-related
10 issue. The recommendations concerning gambling policy made
11 by the committee shall be presented to the commission, but shall
12 be deemed advisory and not binding on the commission in the
13 performance of its duties or functions. The committee ~~may~~ shall
14 not advise the commission on Indian gaming.

15 SECTION 1. ~~Section 19803 of the Business and Professions~~
16 Code is amended to read:

17 19803. ~~(a) It is the intent of the Legislature, in enacting this~~
18 ~~chapter, to provide uniform, minimum standards for the regulation~~
19 ~~of permissible gambling activities and the operation of lawful~~
20 ~~gambling establishments.~~

21 ~~(b) Nothing in this chapter precludes a city, county, or city and~~
22 ~~county from prohibiting a gambling activity, imposing more~~
23 ~~stringent local controls or conditions upon gambling than are~~
24 ~~imposed by this chapter or by the commission, inspecting gambling~~
25 ~~premises to enforce applicable state and local laws, or imposing~~
26 ~~a local tax or license fee, if the prohibition, control, condition,~~
27 ~~inspection, tax, or fee is not inconsistent with this chapter. Nothing~~

- 1 ~~in this chapter affects the responsibility of local law enforcement~~
- 2 ~~agencies to enforce the laws of this state, including this chapter.~~

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