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BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

GAMING/REVENUE: Deletes quarterly payment requirements of the casino support services contract

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 27:247, relative to the casino support services contract; to

provide for compensation to the parish for providing support services; to provide for

4 an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 27:247 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§247. Casino support services contract

Subject to and in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter, the gaming control board shall enter into a casino support services contract with the governing authority of the parish where the official gaming establishment is located in order to compensate the parish on a quarterly basis for the cost to the parish for providing support services resulting from the operation of the official gaming establishment and the activities therein. Support services as used in this Section shall include but not be limited to fire, police, sanitation, health, transportation, and traffic services. The amount of the contract shall be determined by negotiation and agreement between the gaming control board and the parish, subject to approval by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. In the event that a new contract is not agreed upon by the gaming control board and the parish by March thirty-first of any year, the contract currently in effect shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget for approval of the amount of the contract at the next meeting of the

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1 committee. If the committee approves the amount of the contract, the contract shall 2 remain in full force and effect. If the committee disapproves or does not act upon 3 the amount of the contract, the contract shall be null, void, and of no effect. 4 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature 5 6 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If 7 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become 8 effective on the day following such approval.

## **DIGEST**

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Leger HB No. 203

**Abstract:** Deletes the requirement that compensation for the casino support services contract be made on a quarterly basis.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the gaming control board and the parish governing authority shall enter into a casino support services contract to compensate the governing authority for support services resulting from operation of the land-based casino.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> requires that such compensation be on a quarterly basis.

Proposed law deletes the provision that compensation is on a quarterly basis.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 27:247)