ASSEMBLY TOURISM, GAMING AND THE ARTS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4757

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 12, 2024

The Assembly Tourism, Gaming and the Arts Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4757.

This bill permits amusement games licenses to be issued to certain nonprofit organizations. Under the bill, a charitable organization determined by the federal Internal Revenue Service to be a tax exempt organization pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, would be eligible to be issued an amusement games license pursuant to the "Amusement Games Licensing Law," to conduct amusement games at festivals, carnivals, or fairs held for the benefit of, or sponsored by, the tax exempt organization, provided that all other requirements for licensure to conduct amusement games are met.

Under current law, amusement games are permitted to be conducted by licensed entities at locations that include certain entertainment venues of the licensee, recognized amusement parks, seashore or other resort areas constituting amusement or entertainment areas, and at agricultural fairs, 4-H Clubs or exhibitions. Qualified organizations are licensed by the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission in the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety. Licensed entities are additionally subject to licensing by municipalities that have approved the conduct of amusement games within their boundaries.