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The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through SEN. STILLMAN of the 20th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CLARIFYING THE LICENSING AUTHORITY OF THE GAMING POLICY BOARD AND THE DIVISION OF SPECIAL REVENUE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 12-574 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2006*):

4 (b) No business organization, other than a shareholder in a publicly
5 traded corporation, may exercise control in or over an association
6 licensee unless such business organization is licensed as an affiliate
7 licensee by the board as provided in subdivision (1) of subsection (h) of
8 section 12-574, as amended by this act.

9 Sec. 2. Subsection (h) of section 12-574 of the general statutes is
10 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
11 *October 1, 2006*):

12 [(h) If any business organization qualifies to be licensed either as an

13 affiliate of an association licensee or as a concessionaire, such business
14 organization shall be licensed as an affiliate licensee by the board. If
15 any business organization qualifies to be licensed either as an affiliate
16 of a concessionaire licensee or as a concessionaire, such business
17 organization shall be licensed as an affiliate licensee by the executive
18 director.]

19 (h) (1) The board shall issue affiliate of association licenses to
20 qualified business organizations. (2) The executive director shall issue
21 affiliate of concessionaire licenses to qualified business organizations.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	12-574(b)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	12-574(h)

PS *Joint Favorable*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill clarifies the licensing authority of the Division of Special Revenue and the Gaming Policy Board and is estimated to have no fiscal impact.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis
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AN ACT CLARIFYING THE LICENSING AUTHORITY OF THE GAMING POLICY BOARD AND THE DIVISION OF SPECIAL REVENUE.

SUMMARY:

This bill clarifies the licensing authority of the Division of Special Revenue (DSR) and the Gaming Policy Board as it relates to affiliate gaming licenses for concessionaires.

Under CGS §§ 12-574(b), the board has the authority to issue affiliate licenses to organizations that have control over association licensees (i.e., affiliate of association license). Under (CGS § 12-574(f)) and current practice, DSR issues affiliate licenses to organizations that exercise control over concessionaires (i.e., affiliate of concessionaire license). But CGS § 12-574(h)) gives both the board and DSR the authority to issue affiliate licenses to concessionaires. The bill eliminates the last provision and specifies DSR's authority to issue affiliate of concessionaire licenses and the board's authority to issue affiliate of association licenses.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2006

BACKGROUND

Association Licensee

By law, an association license is required to conduct racing, jai alai, and off-track betting.

Concessionaire

By law, a concessionaire is a person or business that operates a

concession at a licensed gaming facility.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 20 Nay 0 (03/07/2006)