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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:
(PS)

***AN ACT EXPANDING THE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY OF THE
DIVISION OF SPECIAL REVENUE.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 12-557c of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) There shall be a Division of Special Revenue within the
4 Department of Revenue Services for administrative purposes only. The
5 Division of Special Revenue shall, in cooperation with the Gaming
6 Policy Board, implement and administer the provisions of sections 7-
7 169 to 7-186, inclusive, of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes,
8 this chapter and [chapter] chapters 226b and 229a under the
9 supervision of an executive director.

10 (b) The Division of Special Revenue shall be under the direction and
11 control of an executive director who shall be responsible for the
12 operation of his division. The executive director shall be appointed by
13 the Governor, with the approval of the General Assembly, and shall be
14 qualified and experienced in the functions performed by the Division
15 of Special Revenue. The executive director may appoint a deputy and

16 an executive assistant for the efficient conduct of the business of the
17 division. The deputy executive director shall, in the absence or
18 disqualification of the executive director or on his death, exercise the
19 powers and duties of the executive director until he resumes his duties
20 or the vacancy is filled. The deputy executive director and the
21 executive assistant shall serve at the pleasure of the executive director.
22 The executive director and the deputy executive director shall not
23 participate actively in political management and campaigns. Such
24 activity includes holding office in a political party, political
25 organization or political club, campaigning for a candidate in a
26 partisan election by making speeches, writing on behalf of a candidate,
27 soliciting votes in support of or in opposition to a candidate and
28 making contributions of time and money to political parties.

29 (c) Whenever the term "Commission on Special Revenue" occurs or
30 is referred to in the public acts of the 1979 session of the General
31 Assembly it shall be deemed to refer to the Division of Special
32 Revenue within the Department of Business Regulation.

33 Sec. 2. Section 12-562 of the general statutes is repealed and the
34 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

35 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the executive
36 director shall have power to enforce the provisions of this chapter and
37 chapter 226b, and with the advice and consent of the board, shall
38 adopt all necessary regulations for that purpose and for carrying out,
39 enforcing and preventing violation of any of the provisions of this
40 chapter, for the inspection of licensed premises or enterprises, for
41 insuring proper, safe and orderly conduct of licensed premises or
42 enterprises and for protecting the public against fraud or overcharge.
43 The executive director shall have power generally to do whatever is
44 reasonably necessary for the carrying out of the intent of this chapter;
45 and may call upon other administrative departments of the state
46 government and of municipal governments for such information and
47 assistance as he deems necessary to the performance of his duties.

48 (b) The special policemen in the Division of Special Revenue and the
49 legalized gambling investigative unit in the Division of State Police
50 within the Department of Public Safety shall be responsible for the
51 criminal enforcement of the provisions of sections 7-169 to 7-186,
52 inclusive, of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, this chapter
53 and [chapter] chapters 226b and 229a. They shall have the powers and
54 duties specified in section 29-7c.

55 Sec. 3. Section 29-7c of the general statutes is repealed and the
56 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

57 There is established a unit in the Division of State Police within the
58 Department of Public Safety to be known as the legalized gambling
59 investigative unit. The unit, in conjunction with the special policemen
60 in the Division of Special Revenue, shall be responsible for (1) the
61 criminal enforcement of the provisions of sections 7-169 to 7-186,
62 inclusive, of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, and chapters
63 226, [and] 226b and 229a, and (2) the investigation, detection of and
64 assistance in the prosecution of any criminal matter or alleged
65 violation of criminal law with respect to legalized gambling, provided
66 the legalized gambling investigative unit shall be the primary criminal
67 enforcement agency. Nothing in this section shall limit the powers
68 granted to persons appointed to act as special policemen in accordance
69 with the provisions of section 29-18c.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	12-557c
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	12-562
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	29-7c

Statement of Purpose:

To give the special policemen of the Division of Special Revenue criminal enforcement authority over all activities currently regulated by said division.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]