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## CHAPTER 326

[House Bill No. 1133]

### GAMBLING

AN ACT Relating to gambling; amending section 2, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 2, chapter 87, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.020; amending section 3, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 3, chapter 87, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.030; amending section 7, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 4, chapter 87, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.070; amending section 8, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 7, chapter 155, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.080; amending section 10, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.100; amending section 1, chapter 87, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.115; amending section 14, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 8, chapter 166, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.140; amending section 18, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.180; amending section 19, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.190; amending section 21, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 10, chapter 166, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.210; amending section 23, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 5, chapter 155, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.230; adding new sections to chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and to chapter 9.46 RCW; prescribing penalties; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 2, chapter 87, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.020 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) "Amusement game" means a game played for entertainment in which:
  - (a) The contestant actively participates;
  - (b) The outcome depends in a material degree upon the skill of the contestant;
  - (c) Only merchandise prizes are awarded;
  - (d) The outcome is not in the control of the operator;
  - (e) The wagers are placed, the winners are determined, and a distribution of prizes or property is made in the presence of all persons placing wagers at such game; and
  - (f) Said game is conducted or operated by any agricultural fair, person, association, or organization in such manner and at such locations as may be authorized by rules and regulations adopted by the commission pursuant to this chapter as now or hereafter amended.

Cake walks as commonly known and fish ponds as commonly known shall be treated as amusement games for all purposes under this chapter.

- (2) "Bingo" means a game in which prizes are awarded on the basis of designated numbers or symbols on a card conforming to numbers or symbols selected at random and in which no cards are sold except at the time and place of said game, when said game is conducted by a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization which does not conduct or allow its premises to be used for conducting bingo on

more than three occasions per week and which does not conduct bingo in any location which is used for conducting bingo on more than three occasions per week, or if an agricultural fair authorized under chapters 15.76 and 36.37 RCW, which does not conduct bingo on more than twelve consecutive days in any calendar year, and except in the case of any agricultural fair as authorized under chapters 15.76 and 36.37 RCW, no person other than a bona fide member or an employee of said organization takes any part in the management or operation of said game, and no person who takes any part in the management or operation of said game takes any part in the management or operation of any game conducted by any other organization or any other branch of the same organization, unless approved by the commission, and no part of the proceeds thereof inure to the benefit of any person other than the organization conducting said game.

(3) "Bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization" means: (a) any organization duly existing under the provisions of chapters 24.12, 24.20, or 24.28 RCW, any agricultural fair authorized under the provisions of chapters 15.76 or 36.37 RCW, or any nonprofit corporation duly existing under the provisions of chapter 24.03 RCW for charitable, benevolent, eleemosynary, educational, civic, patriotic, political, social, fraternal, athletic or agricultural purposes only, or any nonprofit organization, whether incorporated or otherwise, when found by the commission to be organized and operating for one or more of the aforesaid purposes only, all of which in the opinion of the commission have been organized and are operated primarily for purposes other than the operation of gambling activities authorized under this chapter; or (b) any corporation which has been incorporated under Title 36 U.S.C. and whose principal purposes are to furnish volunteer aid to members of the armed forces of the United States and also to carry on a system of national and international relief and to apply the same in mitigating the sufferings caused by pestilence, famine, fire, floods, and other national calamities and to devise and carry on measures for preventing the same. The fact that contributions to an organization do not qualify for charitable contribution deduction purposes or that the organization is not otherwise exempt from payment of federal income taxes pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, shall constitute prima facie evidence that the organization is not a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization for the purposes of this section.

Any person, association or organization which pays its employees, including members, compensation other than is reasonable therefor under the local prevailing wage scale shall be deemed paying compensation based in part or whole upon receipts relating to gambling activities authorized under this chapter and shall not be a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization for the purposes of this chapter.

(4) "Bookmaking" means accepting bets as a business, rather than in a casual or personal fashion, upon the outcome of future contingent events.

(5) "Commercial stimulant". An activity is operated as a commercial stimulant, for the purposes of this chapter, only when it is an incidental activity operated in connection with, and incidental to, an established business, with the primary purpose of increasing the volume of sales of food or drink for consumption on that business premises. The commission may by rule establish guidelines and criteria for applying this definition to its applicants and licensees for gambling activities authorized by this chapter as commercial stimulants.

(6) "Commission" means the Washington state gambling commission created in RCW 9.46.040.

~~((6))~~ (7) "Contest of chance" means any contest, game, gaming scheme, or gaming device in which the outcome depends in a material degree upon an element of chance, notwithstanding that skill of the contestants may also be a factor therein.

~~((7))~~ (8) "Fishing derby" means a fishing contest, with or without the payment or giving of an entry fee or other consideration by some or all of the contestants wherein prizes are awarded for the species, size, weight, or quality of fish caught in a bona fide fishing or recreational event.

~~((8))~~ (9) "Gambling". A person engages in gambling if he stakes or risks something of value upon the outcome of a contest of chance or a future contingent event not under his control or influence, upon an agreement or understanding that he or someone else will receive something of value in the event of a certain outcome. Gambling does not include fishing derbies as defined by this chapter, pari-mutuel betting as authorized by chapter 67.16 RCW, bona fide business transactions valid under the law of contracts, including, but not limited to, contracts for the purchase or sale at a future date of securities or commodities, and agreements to compensate for loss caused by the happening of chance, including, but not limited to, contracts of indemnity or guarantee and life, health or accident insurance. In addition, a contest of chance which is specifically excluded from the definition of lottery under subsection ~~((13))~~ (14) of this section shall not constitute gambling.

~~((9))~~ (10) "Gambling device" means: (a) Any device or mechanism the operation of which a right to money, credits, deposits or other things of value may be created, in return for a consideration, as the result of the operation of an element of chance; (b) any device or mechanism which, when operated for a consideration, does not return the same value or thing of value for the same consideration upon each operation thereof; (c) any device, mechanism, furniture, fixture, construction or installation designed primarily for use in connection with professional gambling; and (d) any subassembly or essential part designed or intended for use in connection with any such device, mechanism, furniture, fixture, construction or installation. But in the application of this definition, a pinball machine or similar mechanical amusement device which confers only an immediate and unrecorded right of replay on players thereof, which does not contain any mechanism which varies the chance of winning free games or the number of free games which may be won or a mechanism or a chute for dispensing coins or a facsimile thereof, and which prohibits multiple winnings depending upon the number of coins inserted and requires the playing of five balls individually upon the insertion of a nickel or dime, as the case may be, to complete any one operation thereof, shall not be deemed a gambling device: PROVIDED FURTHER, That owning, possessing, buying, selling, renting, leasing, financing, holding a security interest in, storing, repairing and transporting such pinball machines or similar mechanical amusement devices shall not be deemed engaging in professional gambling for the purposes of this chapter and shall not be a violation of this chapter: PROVIDED FURTHER, That any fee for the purchase or rental of any such pinball machines or similar amusement devices shall have no relation to the use to which such machines are put but be based

only upon the market value of any such machine, regardless of the location of or type of premises where used, and any fee for the storing, repairing and transporting thereof shall have no relation to the use to which such machines are put, but be commensurate with the cost of labor and other expenses incurred in any such storing, repairing and transporting.

~~((+0))~~ (11) "Gambling information" means any wager made in the course of and any information intended to be used for professional gambling. In the application of this definition information as to wagers, betting odds and changes in betting odds shall be presumed to be intended for use in professional gambling: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That this subsection shall not apply to newspapers of general circulation or commercial radio and television stations licensed by the federal communications commission.

~~((+1))~~ (12) "Gambling premises" means any building, room, enclosure, vehicle, vessel or other place used or intended to be used for professional gambling. In the application of this definition, any place where a gambling device is found, shall be presumed to be intended to be used for professional gambling.

~~((+2))~~ (13) "Gambling record" means any record, receipt, ticket, certificate, token, slip or notation given, made, used or intended to be used in connection with professional gambling.

~~((+3))~~ (14) "Lottery" means a scheme for the distribution of money or property by chance, among persons who have paid or agreed to pay a valuable consideration for the chance.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following activities do not constitute "valuable consideration" as an element of a lottery:

(a) Listening to or watching a television or radio program or subscribing to a cable television service;

(b) Filling out and returning a coupon or entry blank or facsimile which is received through the mail or published in a bona fide newspaper or magazine, or in a program sold in conjunction with and at a regularly scheduled sporting event, or the purchase of such a newspaper, magazine or program;

(c) Sending a coupon or entry blank by United States mail to a designated address in connection with a promotion conducted in this state;

(d) Visitation to any business establishment to obtain a coupon, or entry blank;

(e) Mere registration without purchase of goods or services;

(f) Expenditure of time, thought, attention and energy in perusing promotional material;

(g) Placing or answering a telephone call in a prescribed manner or otherwise making a prescribed response or answer;

(h) Furnishing the container of any product as packaged by the manufacturer, or a particular portion thereof but only if furnishing a plain piece of paper or card with the name of the manufacturer or product handwritten on it is acceptable in lieu thereof: PROVIDED, That where any drawing is held by or on behalf of in-state retail outlets in connection with business promotions authorized under subsections (d) and (e) hereof, no such in-state retail outlet may conduct more than one such drawing during each calendar year and the period of the drawing and its promotion shall not extend for more than seven consecutive days: PROVIDED FURTHER, That if the sponsoring organization has more than one outlet in the

state such drawings must be held in all such outlets at the same time except that a sponsoring organization with more than one outlet may conduct a separate drawing in connection with the initial opening of any such outlet; or

(i) The payment of an admission fee to gain admission to any agricultural fair authorized under chapters 15.76 or 36.37 RCW where (i) the scheme is conducted for promotional or advertising purposes, not including the promotion or advertisement of the scheme itself; and (ii) the person or organization conducting the scheme receives no portion of the admission fee either directly or indirectly and receives no other money for conducting the scheme either directly or indirectly, other than what might be received indirectly as a result of the success of the promotional or advertising aspect of the scheme.

For purposes of this chapter, radio and television broadcasting is hereby declared to be preempted by applicable federal statutes and the rules applicable thereto by the federal communications commission. Broadcast programming, including advertising and promotion, that complies with said federal statutes and regulations is hereby authorized.

(15) "Member". As used in this chapter, member means a member of an organization eligible to be licensed by the commission under this chapter, or a member of an organization which is an auxiliary of such an eligible organization, or a member of an organization of which the eligible organization is an auxiliary, or a member of an organization which is affiliated with the eligible organization by being with it auxiliary to another organization.

No person shall be a member of any organization if that person's primary purpose for membership is to become, or continue to be, a participant in, or an operator or manager of, any gambling activity or activities.

~~((+4))~~ (16) "Player" means a natural person who engages, on equal terms with the other participants, and solely as a contestant or bettor, in any form of gambling in which no person may receive or become entitled to receive any profit therefrom other than personal gambling winnings, and without otherwise rendering any material assistance to the establishment, conduct or operation of a particular gambling activity. A natural person who gambles at a social game of chance on equal terms with the other participants therein does not otherwise render material assistance to the establishment, conduct or operation thereof by performing, without fee or remuneration, acts directed toward the arrangement or facilitation of the game, such as inviting persons to play, permitting the use of premises therefor, and supplying cards or other equipment used therein. A person who engages in "book-making" as defined in this section is not a "player".

~~((+5))~~ (17) A person is engaged in "professional gambling" when:

(a) Acting other than as a player or in the manner set forth in RCW 9.46.030 as now or hereafter amended, he knowingly engages in conduct which materially aids any other form of gambling activity; or

(b) Acting other than as a player, or in the manner set forth in RCW 9.46.030 as now or hereafter amended, he knowingly accepts or receives money or other property pursuant to an agreement or understanding with any person whereby he participates or is to participate in the proceeds of gambling activity;

(c) He engages in bookmaking; or

(d) He conducts a lottery as defined in subsection ~~((+3))~~ (14) of this section.

Conduct under subparagraph (a), except as exempted under RCW 9.46.030 as now or hereafter amended, includes but is not limited to conduct directed toward the creation or establishment of the particular game, contest, scheme, device or activity involved, toward the acquisition or maintenance of premises, paraphernalia, equipment or apparatus therefor, toward the solicitation or inducement of persons to participate therein, toward the actual conduct of the playing phases thereof, toward the arrangement of any of its financial or recording phases, or toward any other phase of its operation. If a person having substantial proprietary or other authoritative control over any premises shall permit said premises to be used with the person's knowledge for the purpose of conducting gambling activity other than gambling activities as set forth in RCW 9.46.030 as now or hereafter amended, and acting other than as a player, and said person permits such to occur or continue or makes no effort to prevent its occurrence or continuation, he shall be considered as being engaged in professional gambling: PROVIDED, That the proprietor of a bowling establishment who awards prizes obtained from player contributions, to players successfully knocking down pins upon the contingency of identifiable pins being placed in a specified position or combination of positions, as designated by the posted rules of the bowling establishment, where the proprietor does not participate in the proceeds of the "prize fund" shall not be construed to be engaging in "professional gambling" within the meaning of this chapter: PROVIDED, FURTHER, That the books and records of the games shall be open to public inspection.

~~((+6))~~ (18) "Punch boards" and "pull-tabs" shall be given their usual and ordinary meaning as of July 16, 1973, except that such definition may be revised by the commission pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to this chapter.

~~((+7))~~ (19) "Raffle" means a game in which tickets bearing an individual number are sold for not more than one dollar each and in which a prize or prizes are awarded on the basis of a drawing from said tickets by the person or persons conducting the game, when said game is conducted by a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization, no person other than a bona fide member of said organization takes any part in the management or operation of said game, and no part of the proceeds thereof inure to the benefit of any person other than the organization conducting said game.

~~((+8))~~ (20) "Social card game" means a card game, including but not limited to the game commonly known as "Mah Jongg", which constitutes gambling and contains each of the following characteristics:

- (a) There are two or more participants and each of them are players; and
- (b) A player's success at winning money or other thing of value by overcoming chance is in the long run largely determined by the skill of the player; and
- (c) No organization, corporation or person collects or obtains or charges any percentage of or collects or obtains any portion of the money or thing of value wagered or won by any of the players: PROVIDED, That this item (c) shall not preclude a player from collecting or obtaining his winnings; and
- (d) No organization or corporation, or person collects or obtains any money or thing of value from, or charges or imposes any fee upon, any person which either enables him to play or results in or from his playing: PROVIDED, That this item (d) shall not apply to the membership fee in any bona fide charitable or nonprofit

organization or to an admission fee allowed by the commission pursuant to RCW 9.46.070; and

(e) The type of card game is one specifically approved by the commission pursuant to RCW 9.46.070; and

(f) The extent of wagers, money or other thing of value which may be wagered or contributed by any player does not exceed the amount or value specified by the commission pursuant to RCW 9.46.070.

~~((19))~~ (21) "Thing of value" means any money or property, any token, object or article exchangeable for money or property, or any form of credit or promise, directly or indirectly, contemplating transfer of money or property or of any interest therein, or involving extension of a service, entertainment or a privilege of playing at a game or scheme without charge.

~~((20))~~ (22) "Whoever" and "person" include natural persons, corporations and partnerships and associations of persons; and when any corporate officer, director or stockholder or any partner authorizes, participates in, or knowingly accepts benefits from any violation of this chapter committed by his corporation or partnership, he shall be punishable for such violation as if it had been directly committed by him.

(23) "Fund raising event" means a fund raising event conducted during any three consecutive days and not more than once in any calendar year or a fund raising event conducted not more than twice each calendar year for not more than one calendar day by a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization as defined in subsection (3) of this section other than any agricultural fair referred to thereunder, upon authorization therefor by the commission, which the legislature hereby authorizes to issue a license therefor, with or without fee, permitting the following activities, or any of them, during such event: Bingo, amusement games, contests of chance, lotteries and raffles: PROVIDED, That (a) gross wagers and bets received by the organization less the amount of money paid by the organization as winnings and for the purchase cost of prizes given as winnings do not exceed five thousand dollars during the total calendar days of such fund raising event in the calendar year; (b) such activities shall not include any mechanical gambling or lottery device activated by the insertion of a coin or by the insertion of any object purchased by any person taking a chance by gambling in respect to the device; (c) only bona fide members of the organization who are not paid for such service shall participate in the management or operation of the activities, and all income therefrom, after deducting the cost of prizes and other expenses, shall be devoted solely to the lawful purposes of the organization; and (d) such organization shall notify the appropriate local law enforcement agency of the time and place where such activities shall be conducted. The commission shall require an annual information report setting forth in detail the expenses incurred and the revenue received relative to the activities permitted.

Sec. 2. Section 3, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 3, chapter 87, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.030 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The legislature hereby authorizes bona fide charitable or nonprofit organizations to conduct bingo games, raffles, amusement games, and fund raising events, and to utilize punch boards and pull-tabs and to allow their premises and facilities

to be used by only members and guests ((~~only~~)) to play social card games authorized by the commission, when licensed, conducted or operated pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

(2) Bona fide charitable or bona fide nonprofit organizations organized primarily for purposes other than the conduct of raffles, are hereby authorized to conduct raffles without obtaining a license to do so from the commission when such raffles are held in accordance with all other requirements of chapter 9.46 RCW, other applicable laws, and rules of the commission; when gross revenues from all such raffles held by the organization during the calendar year do not exceed five thousand dollars; and when tickets to such raffles are sold only to, and winners are determined only from among, the regular members of the organization conducting the raffle: **PROVIDED**, That the term members for this purpose shall mean only those persons who have become members prior to the commencement of the raffle and whose qualification for membership was not dependent upon, or in any way related to, the purchase of a ticket, or tickets, for such raffles.

(3) Bona fide charitable or bona fide nonprofit organizations organized primarily for purposes other than the conduct of such activities are hereby authorized to conduct bingo, raffles, and amusement games, without obtaining a license to do so from the commission but only when:

(a) Such activities are held in accordance with all other requirements of chapter 9.46 RCW as now or hereafter amended, other applicable laws, and rules of the commission; and

(b) Said activities are, alone or in any combination, conducted no more than twice each calendar year and over a period of no more than twelve consecutive days each time, notwithstanding the limitations of RCW 9.46.020(2) as now or hereafter amended: **PROVIDED**, That a raffle conducted under this subsection may be conducted for a period longer than twelve days; and

(c) Only bona fide members of that organization, who are not paid for such services, participate in the management or operation of the activities; and

(d) Gross revenues to the organization from all the activities together does not exceed five thousand dollars during any calendar year; and

(e) All revenue therefrom, after deducting the cost of prizes and other expenses of the activity, is devoted solely to the purposes for which the organization qualifies as a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization; and

(f) The organization gives notice at least five days in advance of the conduct of any of the activities to the local police agency of the jurisdiction within which the activities are to be conducted of the organization's intent to conduct the activities, the location of the activities, and the date or dates they will be conducted; and

(g) The organization conducting the activities maintains records for a period of one year from the date of the event which accurately show at a minimum the gross revenue from each activity, details of the expenses of conducting the activities, and details of the uses to which the gross revenue therefrom is put.

(4) The legislature hereby authorizes any person, association, or organization operating an established business primarily engaged in the selling of food or drink for consumption on the premises to conduct social card games and to utilize punch boards and pull-tabs as a commercial stimulant to such business when licensed and



utilized or operated pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

(5) The legislature hereby authorizes any person to conduct or operate amusement games when licensed and operated pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and rules and regulations adopted by the commission at such locations as the commission may authorize.

(6) The legislature hereby authorizes any person, association, or organization to conduct sports pools without a license to do so from the commission but only when the outcome of which is dependent upon the score, or scores, of a certain athletic contest and which is conducted only in the following manner:

(a) A board or piece of paper is divided into one hundred equal squares, each of which constitutes a chance to win in the sports pool and each of which is offered directly to prospective contestants at one dollar or less; and

(b) The purchaser of each chance or square signs his or her name on the face of each square or chance he or she purchases; and

(c) At some time not later than prior to the start of the subject athletic contest the pool is closed and no further chances in the pool are sold; and

(d) After the pool is closed a prospective score is assigned by random drawing to each square; and

(e) All money paid by entrants to enter the pool less taxes is paid out as the prize or prizes to those persons holding squares assigned the winning score or scores from the subject athletic contest; and

(f) The sports pool board is available for inspection by any person purchasing a chance thereon, the commission, or by any law enforcement agency upon demand at all times prior to the payment of the prize; and

(g) The person or organization conducting the pool is conducting no other sports pool on the same athletic event; and

(h) The sports pool conforms to any rules and regulations of the commission applicable thereto.

(7) (a) The legislature hereby authorizes any bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization which is licensed pursuant to RCW 66.24.400, and its officers and employees, to allow the use of the premises, furnishings, and other facilities not gambling devices of such organization by members of the organization who engage as players in the following types of gambling activities only:

(i) Social card games as defined in RCW 9.46.020(a), (b), (c), and (d); and

(ii) Social dice games, which shall be limited to contests of chance, the outcome of which are determined by one or more rolls of dice.

(b) Bona fide charitable or nonprofit organizations shall not be required to be licensed by the commission in order to allow use of their premises in accordance with this subsection; however, the following conditions must be met:

(i) No organization, corporation, or person shall collect or obtain or charge any percentage of or shall collect or obtain any portion of the money or thing of value wagered or won by any of the players: PROVIDED, That a player may collect his or her winnings; and

(ii) No organization, corporation, or person shall collect or obtain any money or thing of value from, or charge or impose any fee upon, any person which either

enables him or her to play or results in or from his or her playing: PROVIDED, That this subparagraph (ii) shall not preclude collection of a membership fee which is unrelated to participation in gambling activities authorized under this subsection.

The penalties provided for professional gambling in this chapter shall not apply to sports pools as described in ~~((this))~~ subsection (6) of this section, the wagering described in subsection (7) of this section, social card games, bingo games, raffles, fund raising events, punch boards, pull-tabs, ~~((or))~~ amusement games, or to the use of facilities of a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization for social card games or dice games, when conducted in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the commission.

Sec. 3. Section 7, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 4, chapter 87, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.070 are each amended to read as follows:

The commission shall have the following powers and duties:

(1) To authorize and issue licenses for a period not to exceed one year to bona fide charitable or nonprofit organizations approved by the commission meeting the requirements of this chapter and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto permitting said organizations to conduct bingo games, raffles, amusement games, and social card games~~((+))~~, to utilize punch boards and pull-tabs in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto and to revoke or suspend said licenses for violation of any provisions of this chapter or any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto: PROVIDED, That the commission shall not deny a license to an otherwise qualified applicant in an effort to limit the number of licenses to be issued: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the commission or director shall not issue, deny, suspend or revoke any license because of considerations of race, sex, creed, color, or national origin: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That the commission may authorize the director to temporarily issue or suspend licenses subject to final action by the commission;

(2) To authorize and issue licenses for a period not to exceed one year to any person, association, or organization operating a business primarily engaged in the selling of items of food or drink for consumption on the premises, approved by the commission meeting the requirements of this chapter and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto permitting said person, association, or organization to utilize punch boards and pull-tabs and to conduct social card games as a commercial stimulant in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto and to revoke or suspend said licenses for violation of any provisions of this chapter and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto: PROVIDED, That the commission shall not deny a license to an otherwise qualified applicant in an effort to limit the number of licenses to be issued: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the commission may authorize the director to temporarily issue or suspend licenses subject to final action by the commission;

(3) To authorize and issue licenses for a period not to exceed one year to any person, association, or organization approved by the commission meeting the requirements of this chapter and meeting the requirements of any rules and regulations adopted by the commission pursuant to this chapter as now or hereafter amended, permitting said person, association, or organization to conduct or operate

amusement games in such manner and at such locations as the commission may determine;

(4) To authorize, require, and issue, for a period not to exceed one year, such licenses as the commission may by rule provide, to any person, association, or organization to engage in the selling, distributing, or otherwise supplying or in the manufacturing of devices for use within this state for those activities authorized by RCW 9.46.030 as now or hereafter amended;

(5) To establish a schedule of annual license fees for carrying on specific gambling activities upon the premises, and for such other activities as may be licensed by the commission, which shall provide to the commission not less than an amount of money adequate to cover all costs incurred by the commission relative to licensing under this chapter and the enforcement by the commission of the provisions of this chapter and rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto: PROVIDED, That all licensing fees shall be submitted with an application therefor and such portion of said fee as the commission may determine, based upon its cost of processing and investigation, shall be retained by the commission upon the withdrawal or denial of any such license application as its reasonable expense for processing the application and investigation into the granting thereof: PROVIDED FURTHER, That if in a particular case the basic license fee established by the commission for a particular class of license is less than the commission's actual expenses to investigate that particular application, the commission may at any time charge to that applicant such additional fees as are necessary to pay the commission for those costs. The commission may decline to proceed with its investigation and no license shall be issued until the commission has been fully paid therefor by the applicant: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That the commission may establish fees for the furnishing by it to licensees of identification stamps to be affixed to such devices and equipment as required by the commission and for such other special services or programs required or offered by the commission, the amount of each of these fees to be not less than is adequate to offset the cost to the commission of the stamps and of administering their dispersal to licensees or the cost of administering such other special services, requirements or programs;

(6) To require that applications for all licenses contain such information as may be required by the commission: PROVIDED, That all persons having a managerial or ownership interest in any gambling activity, or the building in which any gambling activity occurs, or the equipment to be used for any gambling activity, or participating as an employee in the operation of any gambling activity, shall be listed on the application for the license and the applicant shall certify on the application, under oath, that the persons named on the application are all of the persons known to have an interest in any gambling activity, building, or equipment by the person making such application: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the commission may require fingerprinting and background checks on any persons seeking licenses under this chapter or of any person holding an interest in any gambling activity, building, or equipment to be used therefor, or of any person participating as an employee in the operation of any gambling activity;

(7) To require that any license holder maintain records as directed by the commission and submit such reports as the commission may deem necessary;

(8) To require that all income from bingo games, raffles, and amusement games be recorded and reported as established by rule or regulation of the commission to the extent deemed necessary by considering the scope and character of the gambling activity in such a manner that will disclose gross income from any gambling activity, amounts received from each player, the nature and value of prizes, and the fact of distributions of such prizes to the winners thereof;

(9) To regulate and establish maximum limitations on income derived from bingo: PROVIDED, That in establishing limitations pursuant to this subsection the commission shall take into account (i) the nature, character, and scope of the activities of the licensee; (ii) the source of all other income of the licensee; and (iii) the percentage or extent to which income derived from bingo is used for charitable, as distinguished from nonprofit, purposes;

(10) To regulate and establish the type and scope of and manner of conducting ~~((social card games permitted to be played, and))~~ the gambling activities authorized by RCW 9.46.030, including but not limited to, the extent of wager, money, or other thing of value which may be wagered or contributed or won by a player in ~~((a social card game))~~ any such activities;

(11) To regulate and establish a reasonable admission fee which may be imposed by an organization, corporation or person licensed to conduct a social card game on a person desiring to become a player in a social card game. A "reasonable admission fee" under this item shall be limited to a fee which would defray or help to defray the expenses of the game and which would not be contrary to the purposes of this chapter;

(12) To cooperate with and secure the cooperation of county, city, and other local or state agencies in investigating any matter within the scope of its duties and responsibilities;

(13) In accordance with RCW 9.46.080, to adopt such rules and regulations as are deemed necessary to carry out the purposes and provisions of this chapter. All rules and regulations shall be adopted pursuant to the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.04 RCW;

(14) To set forth for the perusal of counties, city-counties, cities and towns, model ordinances by which any legislative authority thereof may enter into the taxing of any gambling activity authorized in RCW 9.46.030 as now or hereafter amended;

(15) To establish and regulate a maximum limit on salaries or wages which may be paid to persons employed in connection with activities conducted by bona fide charitable or nonprofit organizations and authorized by this chapter, where payment of such persons is allowed, and to regulate and establish maximum limits for other expenses in connection with such authorized activities, including but not limited to rent or lease payments.

In establishing these maximum limits the commission shall take into account the amount of income received, or expected to be received, from the class of activities to which the limits will apply and the amount of money the games could generate for authorized charitable or nonprofit purposes absent such expenses. The commission may also take into account, in its discretion, other factors, including but not limited to, the local prevailing wage scale and whether charitable purposes are benefited by the activities;

(16) To authorize, require, and issue for a period not to exceed one year such licenses or permits, for which the commission may by rule provide, to any person to work for any operator of any gambling activity authorized by this chapter in connection with that activity, or any manufacturer, supplier, or distributor of devices for those activities in connection with such business. The commission shall not require that persons working solely as volunteers in an authorized activity conducted by a bona fide charitable or bona fide nonprofit organization, who receive no compensation of any kind for any purpose from that organization, and who have no managerial or supervisory responsibility in connection with that activity, be licensed to do such work. The commission may require that licensees employing such unlicensed volunteers submit to the commission periodically a list of the names, addresses, and dates of birth of the volunteers. If any volunteer is not approved by the commission, the commission may require that the licensee not allow that person to work in connection with the licensed activity;

(17) To publish and make available at the office of the commission or elsewhere to anyone requesting it a list of the commission licensees, including the name, address, type of license, and license number of each licensee; ((and))

(18) To establish guidelines for determining what constitutes active membership in bona fide nonprofit or charitable organizations for the purposes of this chapter; and

~~((+16))~~ (19) To perform all other matters and things necessary to carry out the purposes and provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 4. Section 8, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 7, chapter 155, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.080 are each amended to read as follows:

The ~~((department of motor vehicles, subject to the approval of the))~~ commission~~(:)~~ shall employ a full time ~~((employee as))~~ director ~~((respecting gambling activities))~~, who shall be the administrator for the commission in carrying out its powers and duties and who~~(; with the advice and approval of the commission))~~ shall issue rules and regulations adopted by the commission governing the activities authorized hereunder and shall supervise ~~((departmental))~~ commission employees in carrying out the purposes and provisions of this chapter. In addition, the ~~((department))~~ director shall ~~((furnish))~~ employ two assistant directors, together with such investigators and enforcement officers and ~~((with))~~ such ~~((of its administrative services and))~~ staff as ~~((are))~~ the commission determines is necessary to carry out the purposes and provisions of this chapter. The director, both assistant directors, and personnel occupying positions requiring the performing of undercover investigative work shall be exempt from the provisions of chapter 41.06 RCW, as now law or hereafter amended. Neither the director nor any ~~((departmental))~~ commission employee working therefor shall be an officer or manager of any bona fide charitable or bona fide nonprofit organization, or of any organization which conducts gambling activity in this state.

The director, subject to the approval of the commission, is authorized to enter into agreements on behalf of the commission for mutual assistance and services, based upon actual costs, with any state or federal agency or with any city, town, or county, and such state or local agency is authorized to enter into such an agreement with the commission. If a needed service is not available from another agency

of state government within a reasonable time, the director may obtain that service from private industry.

Sec. 5. Section 10, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.100 are each amended to read as follows:

There is hereby created a fund to be known as the "gambling revolving fund" which shall consist of all moneys receivable for licensing, penalties, forfeitures, and all other moneys, income, or revenue received by the commission. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. All moneys received by the commission or any employee thereof, except for change funds and an amount of petty cash as fixed by rule or regulation of the commission, shall be deposited each day in a depository approved by the state treasurer and transferred to the state treasurer to be credited to the gambling revolving fund. Disbursements from the revolving fund shall be on authorization of the commission or a duly authorized representative thereof. In order to maintain an effective expenditure and revenue control the gambling revolving fund shall be subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW but no appropriation shall be required to permit expenditures and payment of obligations from such fund. All expenses relative to commission business, including but not limited to salaries and expenses of the director and (~~(such employees of the department of motor vehicles as are working therefor,))~~ other commission employees shall be paid from the gambling revolving fund.

Sec. 6. Section 1, chapter 87, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 9.46-.115 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In addition to any other fees and taxes imposed by this chapter, or by commission rule, there is hereby imposed a special tax to be paid by every person who maintains for use or permits the use of, on any place or premises occupied by him a coin-operated gaming device which is subject to the federal tax on coin-operated devices imposed by section 4461 of the Internal Revenue Code (79 Stat. 148; 26 U.S.C. Sec. 4461), as amended and in effect on March 11, 1976 and any subsequent amendments thereto. The amount of such tax shall be equal to eighty percent of the amount of the tax required to be paid to the federal government pursuant to section 4461 of the Internal Revenue Code (79 Stat. 148; 26 U.S.C. Sec. 4461), as amended and in effect on March 11, 1976 and any subsequent amendments thereto: PROVIDED, That such tax shall not exceed the amount of the credit for state taxes allowed by section 4464 of the Internal Revenue Code (85 Stat. 534, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 4464), as amended and in effect on March 11, 1976 and any subsequent amendments thereto.

This tax shall be imposed on any coin-operated gaming device as defined in section 4462 of the Internal Revenue Code (79 Stat. 149; 26 U.S.C. Sec. 4462), as amended and in effect on March 11, 1976 and any amendments thereto.

(2) The tax established in subsection (1) of this section shall be payable to the commission on or before June 20 of each year in advance of the following fiscal year, July 1 through June 30, pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the commission. Payment of any tax due shall be a condition precedent to the issuance or renewal of any license of any nature by the commission to the taxpayer. The tax shall apply to each such device so maintained or permitted at any time during the year and no such device shall be placed out for public play unless and until the tax due respecting it has first been paid: PROVIDED, That a replacement for such a

device removed from play shall not be deemed an additional device for that year. Proceeds from the tax shall be deposited in the gambling revolving fund and used by the commission for its expenses of administering this chapter.

The commission shall ~~((issue a stamp showing that the tax has been paid which shall be affixed to the coin-operated gaming device prior to being placed out for public play))~~ adopt rules setting out the procedure for collection of the tax and for the administration of this section.

(3) The tax imposed by subsection (1) of this section shall be in addition to any tax imposed upon such coin-operated gaming devices, or the income therefrom, by any municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state.

(4) Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 7. Section 14, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 8, chapter 166, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.140 are each amended to read as follows:

~~((For the purpose of obtaining information concerning any matter relating to the administration or enforcement of this chapter, the commission, or any person appointed by it in writing for the purpose, may))~~ (1) The commission or its authorized representative may:

(a) Make necessary public or private investigations within or outside of this state to determine whether any person has violated or is about to violate this chapter or any rule or order hereunder, or to aid in the enforcement of this chapter or in the prescribing of rules and forms hereunder; and

(b) Inspect the books, documents, and records of any person lending money to or in any manner financing any license holder or applicant for a license or receiving any income or profits from the use of such license for the purpose of determining compliance or noncompliance with the provisions of this chapter or the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto. ((The commission, or its designee, may conduct hearings, administer oaths, take depositions, compel the attendance of witnesses and issue subpoenas pursuant to RCW 34.04.105.))

(2) For the purpose of any investigation or proceeding under this chapter, the commission or any officer designated by rule may conduct hearings, administer oaths or affirmations, or upon the commission's or officer's motion or upon request of any party may subpoena witnesses, compel attendance, take depositions, take evidence, or require the production of any matter which is relevant to the investigation or proceeding, including but not limited to the existence, description, nature, custody, condition, or location of any books, documents, or other tangible things, or the identity or location of persons having knowledge or relevant facts, or any other matter reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of material evidence.

(3) Upon failure to obey a subpoena or to answer questions propounded by the investigating officer and upon reasonable notice to all persons affected thereby, the director may apply to the superior court for an order compelling compliance.

(4) The commission may appoint hearing officers to conduct hearings respecting the suspension, revocation, or denial of licenses, who may administer oaths, admit or deny admission of evidence, compel the attendance of witnesses, issue subpoenas, issue orders, and exercise all other powers and perform all other functions set out in RCW 34.04.090 (6) and (8), 34.04.100 and 34.04.105. The salaries and expenses

of such hearing officers may be paid from any revenues available to the commission.

(5) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, all proceedings under this chapter shall be in accordance with the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.04 RCW.

Sec. 8. Section 18, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.180 are each amended to read as follows:

Any person who knowingly causes, aids, abets, or conspires with another to cause any ~~((association or organization))~~ person to violate any provision of this chapter ~~((or of any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to this chapter))~~ shall be guilty of a felony and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than five years or a fine of not more than one hundred thousand dollars, or both.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. There is added to chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and to chapter 9.46 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any person who knowingly causes, aids, abets, or conspires with another to cause any person to violate any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to this chapter shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than five thousand dollars, or both.

Sec. 10. Section 19, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.190 are each amended to read as follows:

Any person or association or organization operating any gambling activity ~~((authorized under RCW 9.46.030;))~~ who or which, directly or indirectly, shall in the course of such operation:

- (1) Employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud; or
- (2) Make any untrue statement of a material fact, or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statement made not misleading, in the light of the circumstances under which said statement is made; or
- (3) Engage in any act, practice or course of operation as would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person;

Shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than five thousand dollars, or both.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. There is added to chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and to chapter 9.46 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Every city or town is authorized to enact as an ordinance of that city or town any or all of the sections of this chapter the violation of which constitutes a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor. The city or town may not modify the language of any section of this chapter in enacting such section except as necessary to put the section in the proper form of an ordinance or to provide for a sentence be served in the appropriate detention facility. The ordinance must provide for the same maximum penalty for its violation as may be imposed under the section in this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. There is added to chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and to chapter 9.46 RCW a new section to read as follows:



District courts operating under the provisions of chapters 3.30 through 3.74 RCW, except municipal departments of such courts operating under chapter 3.46 RCW and municipal courts operating under chapter 3.50 RCW, shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court to hear, try, and determine misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor violations of this chapter and violations of any ordinance passed under authority of this chapter by any city or town.

Municipal courts operating under chapters 35.20 or 3.50 RCW and municipal departments of the district court operating under chapter 3.46 RCW, shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court to hear, try, and determine violations of any ordinance passed under authority of this chapter by the city or town in which the court is located.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each of these courts shall have the jurisdiction and power to impose up to the maximum penalties provided for the violation of the ordinances adopted under the authority of this chapter. Review of the judgments of these courts shall be as provided in other criminal actions.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. There is added to chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and to chapter 9.46 RCW a new section to read as follows:

No person participating in a gambling activity shall in the course of such participation, directly or indirectly:

(1) Employ or attempt to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud any other participant or any operator;

(2) Engage in any act, practice, or course of operation as would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any other participant or any operator;

(3) Engage in any act, practice, or course of operation while participating in a gambling activity with the intent of cheating any other participant or the operator to gain an advantage in the game over the other participant or operator; or

(4) Cause, aid, abet, or conspire with another person to cause any other person to violate subsections (1) through (3) of this section.

Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than five thousand dollars, or both.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. There is added to chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and to chapter 9.46 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any person who works as an employee or agent or in a similar capacity for another person in connection with the operation of an activity for which a license is required under this chapter or by commission rule without having obtained the applicable license required by the commission under section 3(16) of this 1977 amendatory act shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be punished by not more than one year in the county jail or a fine of not more than five thousand dollars, or both.

Sec. 15. Section 21, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 10, chapter 166, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.210 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) It shall be the duty of ~~((and))~~ all peace officers ~~((or))~~, law enforcement officers ~~((or))~~, and law enforcement agencies within this state ~~((are hereby empowered))~~ to investigate, ~~((and))~~ enforce, and prosecute all violations of this chapter.

(2) In addition to the authority granted by subsection (1) of this section law enforcement agencies of cities and counties shall investigate and report to the commission all violations of the provisions of this chapter and of the rules of the commission found by them and shall assist the commission in any of its investigations and proceedings respecting any such violations. Such law enforcement agencies shall not be deemed agents of the commission.

~~((2))~~ (3) In addition to its other powers and duties, the commission shall have the power to enforce the penal provisions of chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and as it may be amended, and the penal laws of this state relating to the conduct of or participation in gambling activities and the manufacturing, importation, transportation, distribution, possession, and sale of equipment or paraphernalia used or for use in connection therewith. The director, both assistant directors, and each of the commission's investigators, enforcement officers, and inspectors ~~((assigned by the department of motor vehicles to the commission))~~ shall have the power, under the supervision of the commission, to enforce the penal provisions of chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and as it may be amended, and the penal laws of this state relating to the conduct of or participation in gambling activities and the manufacturing, importation, transportation, distribution, possession, and sale of equipment or paraphernalia used or for use in connection therewith. They shall have the power and authority to apply for and execute all warrants and serve process of law issued by the courts in enforcing the penal provisions of chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and as it may be amended, and the penal laws of this state relating to the conduct of or participation in gambling activities and the manufacturing, importation, transportation, distribution, possession, and sale of equipment or paraphernalia used or for use in connection therewith. They shall have the power to arrest without a warrant, any person or persons found in the act of violating any of the penal provisions of chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and as it may be amended, and the penal laws of this state relating to the conduct of or participation in gambling activities and the manufacturing, importation, transportation, distribution, possession, and sale of equipment or paraphernalia used or for use in connection therewith. To the extent set forth above, the commission shall be a law enforcement agency of this state with the power to investigate for violations of and to enforce the provisions of this chapter, as now law or hereafter amended, and to obtain information from and provide information to all other law enforcement agencies.

Sec. 16. Section 23, chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 5, chapter 155, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 9.46.230 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) All gambling devices as defined in RCW ~~((9.46.020(9)))~~ 9.46.020(10) are common nuisances and shall be subject to seizure, immediately upon detection by any peace officer, and to confiscation and destruction by order of a superior or district justice court, except when in the possession of officers enforcing this chapter.

(2) No property right in any gambling device as defined in RCW ~~((9.46.020(9)))~~ 9.46.020(10) shall exist or be recognized in any person, except the possessory right of officers enforcing this chapter.

(3) All furnishings, fixtures, equipment, and stock, including without limitation furnishings and fixtures adaptable to nongambling uses and equipment and stock

for printing, recording, computing, transporting, or safekeeping, used in connection with professional gambling or maintaining a gambling premises, and all money or other things of value at stake or displayed in or in connection with professional gambling or any gambling device used therein, shall be subject to seizure, immediately upon detection, by any peace officer, and unless good cause is shown to the contrary by the owner, shall be forfeited to the state or political subdivision by which seized by order of a court having jurisdiction, for disposition by public auction or as otherwise provided by law. Bona fide liens against property so forfeited, on good cause shown by the lienor, shall be transferred from the property to the proceeds of the sale of the property. Forfeit moneys and other proceeds realized from the enforcement of this subsection shall be paid into the general fund of the state if the property was seized by officers thereof or to the political subdivision or other public agency, if any, whose officers made the seizure, except as otherwise provided by law. This subsection shall not apply to such items utilized in activities enumerated in RCW 9.46.030, as now or hereafter amended ~~((or))~~, when the items are of the type and kind traditionally and usually employed in connection with the particular activity. Nor shall this subsection apply to any act or acts in furtherance ((thereof)) of such activities when conducted in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

(4) Whoever knowingly owns, manufactures, possesses, buys, sells, rents, leases, finances, holds a security interest in, stores, repairs, or transports any gambling device as defined in RCW 9.46.020 as now or hereafter amended or offers or solicits any interest therein, whether through an agent or employee or otherwise, shall be guilty of a felony and fined not more than one hundred thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than five years or both: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That this subsection shall not apply to devices used in those activities enumerated in RCW 9.46.030, as now or hereafter amended, ~~((or))~~ when the devices are of the type and kind traditionally and usually employed in connection with the particular activity. Nor shall this subsection apply to any act or acts in furtherance ((thereof)) of such activities when conducted in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto. Subsection (2) of this section shall have no application in the enforcement of this subsection. In the enforcement of this subsection direct possession of any such gambling device shall be presumed to be knowing possession thereof.

(5) Whoever knowingly prints, makes, possesses, stores, or transports any gambling record, or buys, sells, offers, or solicits any interest therein, whether through an agent or employee or otherwise, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That this subsection shall not apply to records relating to and kept for activities enumerated in RCW 9.46.030, as now or hereafter amended ((or)), when the records are of the type and kind traditionally and usually employed in connection with the particular activity. Nor shall this subsection apply to any act or acts in furtherance ((thereof)) of such activities when conducted in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto. In the enforcement of this subsection direct possession of any such gambling record shall be presumed to be knowing possession thereof.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 17. There is added to chapter 218, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and to chapter 9.46 RCW a new section to read as follows:

All applications for licenses made to the commission, with the exception of any portions of the applications describing the arrest or conviction record of any person, and all reports required by the commission to be filed by its licensees on a periodic basis concerning the operation of the licensed activity or concerning any organization, association, or business in connection with which a licensed activity is operated, in the commission files, shall be open to public inspection at the commission's offices upon a prior written request of the commission. The staff of the commission may decline to allow an inspection until such time as the inspection will not unduly interfere with the other duties of the staff. The commission may charge the person making a request for an inspection an amount necessary to offset the costs to the commission of providing the inspection and copies of any requested documents.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 18. This 1977 amendatory act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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## CHAPTER 327

[Third Substitute House Bill No. 1188]

### FOOD FISH AND SHELLFISH—LICENSES, FEES, AND TAXES—SALMON ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

AN ACT Relating to food fish and shellfish; amending section 75.18.080, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as amended by section 1, chapter 283, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 75.18.080; amending section 3, chapter 184, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 75.28.460; amending section 1, chapter 90, Laws of 1969 as amended by section 15, chapter 283, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 75.28.095; amending section 75.28.130, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 7, chapter 283, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 75.28.130; amending section 75.28.140, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 8, chapter 283, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 75.28.140; amending section 75.28.190, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 9, chapter 283, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 75.28.190; amending section 75.28.220, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 10, chapter 283, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 75.28.220; amending section 75.32.020, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 and RCW 75.32.020; amending section 75.32.030, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 1, chapter 10, Laws of 1963 ex. sess. and RCW 75.32.030; amending section 13, chapter 212, Laws of 1955 and RCW 75.32.051; amending section 75.32.080, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 and RCW 75.32.080; amending section 75.32.090, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 1, chapter 193, Laws of 1967 and RCW 75.32.090; amending section 2, chapter 9, Laws of 1963 ex. sess. and RCW 75.32.101; amending section 75.32.110, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 and RCW 75.32.110; amending section 75.08.230, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 1, chapter 223, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 75.08.230; adding a new section to chapter 12, Laws of 1955 and to chapter 75.08 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 75.18 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 75.28 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 75.32 RCW; repealing section 75.32.070, chapter 12, Laws of 1955, section 2, chapter 10, Laws of 1963 ex. sess., section 1, chapter 63, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 75.32.070; prescribing penalties; and prescribing an effective date.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington: