

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB5017

by Rep. Robert Rita

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

230 ILCS 40/10 new

Amends the Video Gaming Act. Provides that the General Assembly states that it is the policy of the State that the primary purpose of the Act is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the State through the sound and careful control and regulation of video gaming through a tiered regulatory system of manufacturers, distributors, terminal operators, licensed establishments, licensed fraternal establishments, licensed veterans establishments, and licensed truck stop establishments. Provides that to ensure and maintain a tiered regulatory system, the General Assembly finds that it is the obligation and duty of the Illinois Gaming Board to construe the provisions of the Act in a manner that conforms to State policy and the Act's primary purpose and to exercise its statutory authority in a manner consistent with that purpose whether or not the provisions of this Act are unambiguous or capable of one or more reasonable constructions.

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1 AN ACT concerning gaming.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Video Gaming Act is amended by adding Section 10 as follows:
- 6 (230 ILCS 40/10 new)
- 7 Sec. 10. Tiered regulatory system; public policy and rule of statutory construction. The General Assembly hereby states 8 that it is the policy of this State that the primary purpose of this Act is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of this 10 State through the sound and careful control and regulation of 11 12 video gaming through a tiered regulatory system of manufacturers, distributors, terminal operators, licensed 13 14 establishments, licensed fraternal establishments, licensed veterans establishments, and licensed truck stop 15 establishments. To ensure and maintain a tiered regulatory 16 system, the General Assembly finds that it is the obligation 17 and duty of the Board to construe the provisions of this Act in 18 19 a manner that conforms to State policy and this Act's primary purpose as articulated in this Section and to exercise its 20 21 statutory authority in a manner consistent with that purpose 22 whether or not the provisions of this Act are unambiguous or capable of one or more reasonable constructions. 2.3