

1 AN ACT in relation to contributions to candidates,
2 political committees, and public officials.

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

5 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by adding
6 Section 9-25.3 as follows:

7 (10 ILCS 5/9-25.3 new)

8 Sec. 9-25.3. Acceptance of prohibited contributions.

9 (a) No candidate, political committee, or public
10 official shall accept a contribution or anything of value
11 from or on behalf of a licensee or applicant for licensure
12 under the provisions of the Riverboat Gambling Act or the
13 Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975, nor from any officer,
14 director, holder, or controller of a legal or beneficial
15 interest in any such license or application, nor from any
16 gaming operations manager, nor from any agent of any such
17 person.

18 (b) A candidate, political committee, or public official
19 who violates subsection (a) of this Section for the first
20 time shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor. Any
21 contribution accepted by such candidate, political committee,
22 or public official in violation of this Section shall be paid
23 into the State Treasury.

24 (c) A candidate, political committee, or public official
25 who violates subsection (a) of this Section for a second or
26 subsequent time shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony. For a
27 second or subsequent violation of this Section, a fine shall
28 be imposed of not less than twice the amount of any
29 contribution accepted by the offending candidate, political
30 committee, or public official.

1 Section 10. The Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 is
2 amended by changing Section 24 as follows:

3 (230 ILCS 5/24) (from Ch. 8, par. 37-24)

4 Sec. 24. (a) No license shall be issued to or held by an
5 organization licensee unless all of its officers, directors,
6 and holders of ownership interests of at least 5% are first
7 approved by the Board. The Board shall not give approval of
8 an organization license application to any person who has
9 been convicted of or is under an indictment for a crime of
10 moral turpitude or has violated any provision of the racing
11 law of this State or any rules of the Board.

12 (b) An organization licensee must notify the Board
13 within 10 days of any change in the holders of a direct or
14 indirect interest in the ownership of the organization
15 licensee. The Board may, after hearing, revoke the
16 organization license of any person who registers on its books
17 or knowingly permits a direct or indirect interest in the
18 ownership of that person without notifying the Board of the
19 name of the holder in interest within this period.

20 (c) In addition to the provisions of subsection (a) of
21 this Section, no person shall be granted an organization
22 license if any public official of the State or member of his
23 or her family holds any ownership or financial interest,
24 directly or indirectly, in the person.

25 (d) No person which has been granted an organization
26 license to hold a race meeting shall give to any public
27 official or member of his family, directly or indirectly, for
28 or without consideration, any interest in the person. The
29 Board shall, after hearing, revoke the organization license
30 granted to a person which has violated this subsection.

31 (e) (Blank).

32 (f) No organization licensee or concessionaire or
33 officer, director or holder or controller of any 5%--er--mere

1 legal or beneficial interest in any organization licensee or
2 concession shall make any sort of gift or contribution of any
3 kind or pay or give any money or other thing of value to any
4 person who is a public official, or a candidate or nominee
5 for public office or to any political committee. A person
6 shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor for violating this
7 subsection for the first time. A person shall be guilty of a
8 Class 4 felony and, in addition, shall suffer revocation of
9 any license granted under this Act if that person or any
10 agent of that person violates this subsection (f) for a
11 second or subsequent time.

12 (Source: P.A. 89-16, eff. 5-30-95.)

13 Section 15. The Riverboat Gambling Act is amended by
14 changing Section 18 and adding Section 13.2 as follows:

15 (230 ILCS 10/13.2 new)

16 Sec. 13.2. Ownership by public official; political
17 contributions.

18 (a) No licensee or applicant for licensure or agent
19 thereof shall give to any public official or member of his or
20 her family, directly or indirectly, for or without
21 consideration, any interest in shares of stock or
22 certificates or other evidences of ownership of any interest
23 in an activity licensed by the Board under this Act. The
24 Board shall, after hearing, revoke the license of any
25 licensee found in violation of this subsection (a).

26 (b) No licensee or applicant for licensure or officer,
27 director, holder, or controller of any legal or beneficial
28 interest in any license granted by the Board under this Act
29 nor any gaming operations manager or any agent of such person
30 shall make any sort of gift or contribution of any kind or
31 pay or give any money or other thing of value to any person
32 who is a public official, or a candidate or nominee for

1 public office, or to any agent of such person, or to any
2 political committee or other fund-raising entity that gives,
3 lends, or otherwise provides funds to meet the expenses of
4 any candidate for public office.

5 (230 ILCS 10/18) (from Ch. 120, par. 2418)

6 Sec. 18. Prohibited Activities - Penalty.

7 (a) A person is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor for
8 doing any of the following:

9 (1) Conducting gambling where wagering is used or
10 to be used without a license issued by the Board.

11 (2) Conducting gambling where wagering is permitted
12 other than in the manner specified by Section 11.

13 (3) Violating Section 13.2 of this Act for the
14 first time.

15 (b) A person is guilty of a Class B misdemeanor for
16 doing any of the following:

17 (1) permitting a person under 21 years to make a
18 wager; or

19 (2) violating paragraph (12) of subsection (a) of
20 Section 11 of this Act.

21 (c) A person wagering or accepting a wager at any
22 location outside the riverboat is subject to the penalties in
23 paragraphs (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of Section 28-1 of
24 the Criminal Code of 1961.

25 (d) A person commits a Class 4 felony and, in addition,
26 shall be barred for life from riverboats under the
27 jurisdiction of the Board, if the person does any of the
28 following:

29 (1) Offers, promises, or gives anything of value or
30 benefit to a person who is connected with a riverboat
31 owner including, but not limited to, an officer or
32 employee of a licensed owner or holder of an occupational
33 license pursuant to an agreement or arrangement or with

1 the intent that the promise or thing of value or benefit
2 will influence the actions of the person to whom the
3 offer, promise, or gift was made in order to affect or
4 attempt to affect the outcome of a gambling game, or to
5 influence official action of a member of the Board.

6 (2) Solicits or knowingly accepts or receives a
7 promise of anything of value or benefit while the person
8 is connected with a riverboat including, but not limited
9 to, an officer or employee of a licensed owner, or holder
10 of an occupational license, pursuant to an understanding
11 or arrangement or with the intent that the promise or
12 thing of value or benefit will influence the actions of
13 the person to affect or attempt to affect the outcome of
14 a gambling game, or to influence official action of a
15 member of the Board.

16 (3) Uses or possesses with the intent to use a
17 device to assist:

18 (i) In projecting the outcome of the game.

19 (ii) In keeping track of the cards played.

20 (iii) In analyzing the probability of the
21 occurrence of an event relating to the gambling
22 game.

23 (iv) In analyzing the strategy for playing or
24 betting to be used in the game except as permitted
25 by the Board.

26 (4) Cheats at a gambling game.

27 (5) Manufactures, sells, or distributes any cards,
28 chips, dice, game or device which is intended to be used
29 to violate any provision of this Act.

30 (6) Alters or misrepresents the outcome of a
31 gambling game on which wagers have been made after the
32 outcome is made sure but before it is revealed to the
33 players.

34 (7) Places a bet after acquiring knowledge, not

1 available to all players, of the outcome of the gambling
2 game which is subject of the bet or to aid a person in
3 acquiring the knowledge for the purpose of placing a bet
4 contingent on that outcome.

5 (8) Claims, collects, or takes, or attempts to
6 claim, collect, or take, money or anything of value in or
7 from the gambling games, with intent to defraud, without
8 having made a wager contingent on winning a gambling
9 game, or claims, collects, or takes an amount of money or
10 thing of value of greater value than the amount won.

11 (9) Uses counterfeit chips or tokens in a gambling
12 game.

13 (10) Possesses any key or device designed for the
14 purpose of opening, entering, or affecting the operation
15 of a gambling game, drop box, or an electronic or
16 mechanical device connected with the gambling game or for
17 removing coins, tokens, chips or other contents of a
18 gambling game. This paragraph (10) does not apply to a
19 gambling licensee or employee of a gambling licensee
20 acting in furtherance of the employee's employment.

21 (e) The possession of more than one of the devices
22 described in subsection (d), paragraphs (3), (5) or (10)
23 permits a rebuttable presumption that the possessor intended
24 to use the devices for cheating.

25 (f) A person is guilty of a Class 4 felony and, in
26 addition, shall suffer revocation of any license granted by
27 the Board under this Act if such person or any agent thereof
28 violates Section 13.2 of this Act for a second or subsequent
29 time.

30 An action to prosecute any crime occurring on a riverboat
31 shall be tried in the county of the dock at which the
32 riverboat is based.

33 (Source: P.A. 91-40, eff. 6-25-99.)