

SENATE BILL No. 415—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

MARCH 25, 2013

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to gaming employees.
(BDR 41-188)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to gaming; revising provisions governing proceedings relating to the registration of gaming employees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law requires the State Gaming Control Board to make investigations
2 and to initiate a hearing by filing a complaint with the Nevada Gaming Commission
3 for certain violations relating to the licensing and control of gaming. (NRS
4 463.310) This bill provides that before any investigative hearing relating to the
5 registration of a gaming employee is conducted by or on behalf of the Board, a
6 prehearing conference must be held before an impartial fact finder who must
7 determine whether or not the Board may proceed with an investigative hearing on
8 the matter.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 463 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, before any
4 investigative hearing concerning the registration of a gaming
5 employee may be conducted by or on behalf of the Board, a
6 prehearing conference, conducted by an impartial fact finder,
7 must be held. A gaming employee may waive, in writing, the right
8 to a prehearing conference pursuant to this section.*



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1 2. The gaming employee and the Board shall make a good
2 faith effort to agree on an impartial fact finder to conduct the
3 prehearing conference. If the gaming employee and the Board are
4 unable to agree on an impartial fact finder, either party may
5 request from the American Arbitration Association a list of seven
6 potential fact finders. Within 5 days after receiving the list from
7 the American Arbitration Association, the parties shall select their
8 fact finder from the list by alternately striking one name until the
9 name of only one fact finder remains, who will be the fact finder
10 to conduct the prehearing conference. The gaming employee shall
11 strike the first name.

12 3. At the prehearing conference, the gaming employee and
13 the Board:

14 (a) Are entitled to be heard, to be represented by counsel and
15 to call witnesses on their behalf.

16 (b) May offer any evidence that is relevant and material to the
17 matter.

18 (c) Shall produce such additional evidence as the fact finder
19 may require.

20 4. The prehearing conference must be recorded on audiotape
21 or any other means of sound reproduction. If requested by the fact
22 finder, the gaming employee or the Board, an official transcript
23 must be made. If a transcript is requested by the gaming employee
24 or the Board, the party requesting the transcript shall ensure that
25 the transcript is prepared and pay the cost of preparing the
26 transcript. Any other party is entitled to a copy of the transcript
27 upon the payment of a fee which is not more than the cost of
28 preparing the transcript. The fact finder is entitled to receive a
29 copy of the transcript at no charge. If the transcript is requested by
30 the fact finder, the gaming employee and the Board are equally
31 responsible for the cost of preparing the transcript.

32 5. Upon the conclusion of the prehearing conference, the fact
33 finder shall, within 30 days after the date of the prehearing
34 conference:

35 (a) Prepare a written report containing findings of fact and
36 conclusions of law; and

37 (b) Provide a copy of the written report to the gaming
38 employee and the Board.

39 6. If the report of the fact finder determines that:

40 (a) No cause exists for fining the gaming employee or for
41 limiting, conditioning, suspending or revoking the registration of
42 the gaming employee, then the Board may not proceed with an
43 investigative hearing on the matter.

44 (b) Cause exists for fining the gaming employee or for
45 limiting, conditioning, suspending or revoking the registration of



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1 *the gaming employee, then the Board may proceed with an*
2 *investigative hearing on the matter.*

3 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

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