

House File 360 - Introduced

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BY COWNIE

A BILL FOR

1 An Act eliminating the referendum requirement for the licensing
2 of gambling games.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 99F.4A, subsection 8, paragraph a, Code
2 2011, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. The commission shall, upon the immediate payment
4 of the applicable table games license fee and submission
5 to the commission by June 1, 2005, of an application by a
6 licensee of a pari-mutuel dog or horse racetrack licensed to
7 conduct gambling games at a pari-mutuel racetrack enclosure,
8 issue a license to the licensee to conduct table games of
9 chance, including video machines that simulate table games
10 of chance, at the pari-mutuel racetrack enclosure subject to
11 the requirements of this subsection. However, a table games
12 license may only be issued to a licensee required to pay a
13 table games license fee of three million dollars under this
14 subsection if the licensee, and all other licensees of an
15 excursion gambling boat in that county, file an agreement
16 with the commission authorizing the granting of a table games
17 license under this subsection and permitting all licensees
18 of an excursion gambling boat to operate a moored barge as
19 of a specific date. The licensee shall be granted a table
20 games license by the commission ~~without conducting a separate~~
21 ~~referendum authorizing table games~~ upon payment of the
22 applicable license fee to the commission which table games
23 license fee may be offset by the licensee against taxes imposed
24 on the licensee by section 99F.11, to the extent of twenty
25 percent of the table games license fee paid pursuant to this
26 subsection for each of five consecutive fiscal years beginning
27 with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008. Fees paid
28 pursuant to this subsection are not refundable to the licensee.
29 A licensee shall not be required to pay a fee to renew a table
30 games license issued pursuant to this subsection. Moneys
31 collected by the commission from a table games license fee paid
32 under this subsection shall be deposited in the rebuild Iowa
33 infrastructure fund created in section 8.57.

34 Sec. 2. Section 99F.7, subsection 11, Code 2011, is amended
35 by striking the subsection.

