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HOUSE BILL No. 5881

April 25, 2018, Introduced by Rep. Iden and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1996 IL 1, entitled
"Michigan gaming control and revenue act,"
by amending sections 2, 4, 4a, 4c, 4d, 5, 6, 6a, 6c, and 7a (MCL 432.202, 432.204, 432.204a, 432.204c, 432.204d, 432.205, 432.206, 432.206a, 432.206c, and 432.207a), sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 as amended and sections 4a, 4c, 4d, 6a, 6c, and 7a as added by 1997 PA 69.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 2. As used in this act:

- (a) "Adjusted gross receipts" means the gross receipts less winnings paid to wagerers.
- (b) "Affiliate" means a person who, directly or indirectly, through 1 or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with; is in a partnership or joint venture

- 1 relationship with; or is a co-shareholder of a corporation, a co-
- 2 member of a limited liability company, or co-partner in a limited
- 3 liability partnership with a person who holds or applies for a
- 4 casino license under this act.
- 5 (c) "Affiliated company" means any form of business
- 6 organization which THAT controls, is controlled by or is under
- 7 common control with; is in a partnership or joint venture
- 8 relationship with; or is a co-shareholder of a corporation, a co-
- 9 member of a limited liability company, or co-partner in a limited
- 10 liability partnership with a person who holds or applies for a
- 11 casino license under this act.
- 12 (d) "Agent" means any person who is employed by any agency of
- 13 the THIS state, other than the board, the state police, or THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT OF attorney general, who is assigned to perform full-
- 15 time services on behalf of or for the benefit of the board
- 16 regardless of the title or position held by that person.
- 17 (e) "Applicant" means any person who applies for a license or
- 18 for registration under this act. The term applicant AS USED in
- **19** sections 4a(1)(a), 5(1), 5(2), 5(3), 5(4), 6(3), 6(4), 6(5), 6(9),
- 20 7a(4), 7a(5), and 7a(11), shall include APPLICANT INCLUDES an
- 21 affiliate, affiliated company, officer, director, or managerial
- 22 employee of the applicant or a person who holds greater than 1%
- 23 direct or indirect interest in the applicant. As used in this
- 24 subdivision, affiliate and affiliated company do not include a
- 25 partnership, a joint venture relationship, a co-shareholder of a
- 26 corporation, a co-member of a limited liability company, or a co-
- 27 partner in a limited liability partnership that has less than A 1%

- 1 direct interest in the applicant and is not involved in the casino
- 2 or casino enterprise application as defined in rules promulgated by
- 3 the board.
- 4 (f) "Board" means the Michigan gaming control board CREATED
- 5 UNDER SECTION 4.
- 6 (g) "Casino" means a building in which gaming is conducted.
- 7 (h) "Casino enterprise" means the buildings, facilities, or
- 8 rooms functionally or physically connected to a casino, including
- 9 but not limited to any bar, restaurant, hotel, cocktail lounge,
- 10 retail establishment, or arena or any other facility located in a
- 11 city under the control of a casino licensee or affiliated company.
- 12 (i) "Certified development agreement" means a development
- 13 agreement that has been certified by a city and submitted to the
- 14 Michigan gaming control board.
- 15 (j) "Chairperson" means the chairperson of the board.
- 16 (k) "Cheat" means to alter the selection of criteria which
- 17 THAT determine the result of a gambling game or the amount or
- 18 frequency of payment in a gambling game, in violation of this act
- 19 or rules promulgated under this act.
- 20 (1) "City" means a local unit of government other than a
- 21 county which THAT meets all of the following criteria:
- (i) Has a population of at least 800,000 at the time a license
- 23 is issued.
- (ii) Is located within 100 miles of any other state or country
- 25 in which gaming was permitted on December 5, 1996.
- 26 (iii) Had a majority of voters who expressed approval of
- 27 casino gaming in the city.

- 1 (m) "Company" means a sole proprietorship, corporation,
- 2 partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability
- 3 company, trust, association, joint stock company, joint venture,
- 4 tribal corporation, or other form of business organization.
- 5 (n) "Compensation" means any money, thing of value, or
- 6 financial benefit conferred on or received by a person in return
- 7 for services rendered, or to be rendered, whether by that person or
- 8 another.
- 9 (o) "Conflict of interest" means a situation in which the
- 10 private interest of a member, employee or agent of the board may
- 11 influence the judgment of the member, employee, or agent in the
- 12 performance of his or her public duty under this act. A conflict of
- 13 interest includes, but is not limited to, ANY OF the following:
- 14 (i) Any conduct that would lead a reasonable person, knowing
- 15 all of the circumstances, to conclude that the member, employee, or
- 16 agent of the board is biased against or in favor of an applicant.
- (ii) Acceptance of any form of compensation other than from
- 18 the board for any services rendered as part of the official duties
- 19 of the member, employee, or agent for the board.
- 20 (iii) Participation in any business being transacted with or
- 21 before the board in which the member, employee, or agent of the
- 22 board or his or her parent, spouse, or child has a financial
- 23 interest.
- (iv) Use of the position, title, or any related authority of
- 25 the member, employee, or agent of the board in a manner designed
- 26 for personal gain or benefit.
- (v) Demonstration, through work or other action in the

- 1 performance of the official duties of the member, employee, or
- 2 agent of the board, of any preferential attitude or treatment of
- 3 any person.
- 4 (p) "Control" means having a greater than 15% direct or
- 5 indirect pecuniary interest in the casino gaming operation with
- 6 respect to which the license is sought.
- 7 (q) "Department" means the department of treasury.
- 8 (r) "Development agreement" means a written agreement between
- 9 a city and a person naming the person as the designated developer
- 10 of a casino in the city and covering certain subjects including,
- 11 but not limited to, : approval ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 12 (i) APPROVAL by the city of the location of the casino. $\dot{\tau}$
- 13 certification
- 14 (ii) CERTIFICATION by the city that the applicant has
- 15 sufficient financial resources to construct and open the casino
- 16 which THAT it proposes to develop. ; zoning
- 17 (iii) ZONING and site plan requirements. ; utility
- 18 (iv) UTILITY connection fees. ; infrastructure
- 19 (v) INFRASTRUCTURE improvements. ; requirements
- 20 (vi) REQUIREMENTS to utilize local businesses and small
- 21 businesses as suppliers. ; employment
- 22 (vii) EMPLOYMENT issues. ; compulsive
- 23 (viii) COMPULSIVE gambling programs. ; insurance
- 24 (ix) INSURANCE requirements. ; conceptual
- 25 (x) CONCEPTUAL design approval. ; reimbursement
- **26** (xi) **REIMBURSEMENT** for predevelopment and infrastructure
- 27 costs, traffic engineering, and other transportation costs. ; plans

- 1 (xii) PLANS for completion of destination attractions either
- 2 within or outside the casino facility and ancillary development
- 3 rights.
- 4 (s) "Disciplinary action" is MEANS an action by the board
- 5 suspending or revoking a license -OR fining, excluding,
- 6 reprimanding, or otherwise penalizing a person for violating this
- 7 act or rules promulgated by the board.
- 8 (t) "Ex parte communication" means any communication, direct
- 9 or indirect, regarding a licensing application, disciplinary
- 10 action, or a contested case under this act other than communication
- 11 that takes place during a meeting or hearing conducted under this
- **12** act.
- 13 (u) "Financial interest" or "financially interested" means any
- 14 interest in investments, awarding of contracts, grants, loans,
- 15 purchases, leases, sales, or similar matters under consideration or
- 16 consummated by the board. A member, employee, or agent of the board
- 17 will be IS considered to have a financial interest in a matter
- 18 under consideration if any EITHER of the following circumstances
- 19 exist: EXISTS:
- (i) He or she owns 1% or more of any class of outstanding
- 21 securities that are issued by a party to the matter under
- 22 consideration or consummated by the board.
- 23 (ii) He or she is employed by or is an independent contractor
- 24 for a party to the matter under consideration or consummated by the
- 25 board.
- 26 (v) "Gambling game" means any game played with cards, dice,
- 27 equipment or a machine, including any mechanical, electromechanical

- 1 or electronic device which shall include INCLUDING computers and
- 2 cashless wagering systems, for money, credit, or any representative
- 3 of value, including, but not limited to, faro, monte, roulette,
- 4 keno, bingo, fan tan, twenty one, blackjack, seven and a half,
- 5 klondike, craps, poker, chuck a luck, Chinese chuck a luck (dai
- 6 shu), wheel of fortune, chemin de fer, baccarat, pai gow, beat the
- 7 banker, panguingui, slot machine, any banking or percentage game,
- 8 or any other game or device approved by the board. , but GAMBLING
- 9 GAME does not include games played with cards in private homes or
- 10 residences in which no person makes money for operating the game,
- 11 except as a player.
- 12 (w) "Gambling operation" means the conduct of authorized
- 13 gambling games in a casino.
- 14 (x) "Gaming" means to deal, operate, carry on, conduct,
- 15 maintain or expose or offer for play any gambling game or gambling
- 16 operation.
- 17 (y) "Gross receipts" means the total of all sums MONEY
- 18 including valid or invalid checks, currency, tokens, coupons,
- 19 vouchers, or instruments of monetary value whether collected or
- 20 uncollected, received by a casino licensee from gaming, including
- 21 all entry fees assessed for tournaments or other contests, less a
- 22 deduction for uncollectible gaming receivables not to exceed the
- 23 uncollectible amounts owed as a result of wagers placed at or
- 24 through a gambling game or 4% of the total gross receipts,
- 25 whichever is less. The A licensee shall not receive the deduction
- 26 unless the licensee provides written proof to the state treasurer
- 27 of the uncollected gaming receivables and had complied with all

- ${f 1}$ rules promulgated by the board regarding the issuance of credit and
- 2 the collection of amounts due under a credit extension.
- 3 (z) "Institutional investor" means any retirement fund
- 4 administered by a public agency for the exclusive benefit of
- 5 federal, state, or local public employees, an employee benefit
- 6 plan, or pension fund that is subject to the employee retirement
- 7 income security act of 1974, as amended, an investment company
- 8 registered under the investment company act of 1940, title I of
- 9 chapter 686, 54 Stat. 789, 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 to 80a-3 and 80a-4 to 15
- 10 USC 80A-1 TO 80a-64, a collective investment trust organized by a
- 11 bank under part 9 of the rules of the comptroller of the currency,
- 12 a closed end investment trust, a chartered or licensed life
- 13 insurance company or property and casualty insurance company, a
- 14 chartered or licensed financial institution, an investment advisor
- 15 registered under the investment advisers act of 1940, title II of
- 16 chapter 686, 54 Stat. 847, 15 U.S.C. 15 USC 80b-1 to 80b-21, or any
- 17 other person as **DETERMINED BY** the board may determine for reasons
- 18 consistent with this act.
- 19 (aa) "Investigative hearing" means any hearing conducted by
- 20 the board or its authorized representative to investigate and
- 21 gather information or evidence regarding pending license
- 22 applications, applicants, licensees, or alleged or apparent
- 23 violations of this act or rules promulgated by the board.
- 24 (bb) "Junket enterprise" means any person other than a casino
- 25 licensee or applicant who employs or otherwise engages in the
- 26 procurement or referral of persons who may participate in a junket
- 27 to a casino licensed under this act or casino enterprise whether or

- 1 not those activities occur within the IN THIS state.
- 2 (cc) "Managerial employee" means a person who by virtue of the
- 3 level of their HIS OR HER remuneration or otherwise holds a
- 4 management, supervisory, or policy making position with any
- 5 licensee under this act, A vendor, or the board.
- 6 (dd) "Member" means a board member appointed to the Michigan
- 7 gaming control board under this act.
- 8 (ee) "Occupational license" means a license issued by the
- 9 board to a person to perform an occupation in a casino or casino
- 10 enterprise which THAT the board has identified as requiring a
- 11 license to engage in casino gaming in Michigan. THIS STATE.
- 12 (ff) "Person" means an individual, corporation, limited
- 13 liability company, association, partnership, limited liability
- 14 partnership, trust, entity, or other legal entity.
- 15 (gg) "Supplier" means a person who the board has identified
- 16 under rules promulgated by the board as requiring a license to
- 17 provide casino licensees or casino enterprises with goods or
- 18 services regarding the realty, construction, maintenance, or
- 19 business of a proposed or existing casino, casino enterprise, or
- 20 related facility on a regular or continuing basis, including, but
- 21 not limited to, junket enterprises, security businesses,
- 22 manufacturers, distributors, persons who service gaming devices or
- 23 equipment, garbage haulers, maintenance companies, food purveyors,
- 24 and construction companies.
- 25 (hh) "Vendor" means a person who is not licensed under this
- 26 act who supplies any goods or services to a casino licensee or
- 27 supplier licensee.

- (ii) "Wagerer" means a person who plays a gambling game
 authorized under this act.
- 3 (jj) "Winnings" means the total cash value of all property or
- 4 sums MONEY including currency, tokens, or instruments of monetary
- 5 value paid to wagerers as a direct result of wagers placed at or
- 6 through a gambling game.
- 7 Sec. 4. (1) The Michigan gaming control board is created
- 8 within the department of treasury. The board shall have HAS the
- 9 powers and duties specified in this act and all other powers
- 10 necessary and proper to fully and effectively execute and
- 11 administer this act for the purpose of licensing, regulating, and
- 12 enforcing the system of casino gambling established under this act.
- 13 (2) The board shall consist CONSISTS of 5 members, not more
- 14 than 3 of whom shall MAY be members of the same political party, to
- 15 be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the
- 16 senate. 7 1 of whom THE GOVERNOR shall be designated by the
- 17 governor to be DESIGNATE 1 OF THE MEMBERS AS chairperson. Each
- 18 member shall MUST be a resident of this state.
- 19 (3) The members shall be appointed for terms of 4 years,
- 20 except of those who are first appointed, 1 member shall be
- 21 appointed for a term of 2 years, 2 members shall be appointed for a
- 22 term of 3 years, and 2 members shall be appointed for a term of 4
- 23 years. A member's term shall expire EXPIRES on December 31 of the
- 24 last year of the member's term. In the event of IF THERE IS a
- 25 vacancy on the board, the governor shall appoint in like manner a
- 26 successor to fill the unexpired term.
- 27 (4) Each member of the board shall MUST be reimbursed for all

- 1 actual and necessary expenses and disbursements incurred in the
- 2 execution of official duties.
- 3 (5) A board member shall not hold any other public office for
- 4 which he or she shall receive RECEIVES compensation other than
- 5 necessary travel or other incidental expenses.
- **6** (6) A person who is not of good moral character or who has
- 7 been indicted or charged with, convicted of, pled guilty or nolo
- 8 contendre CONTENDERE to, or forfeited bail concerning a felony or a
- 9 misdemeanor involving gambling, theft, dishonesty, or fraud under
- 10 the laws of this state, any other state, or the United States or a
- 11 local ordinance in any state involving gambling, dishonesty, theft,
- 12 or fraud that substantially corresponds to a misdemeanor in that
- 13 state shall MUST not be appointed or remain as a member. of the
- 14 board.
- 15 (7) Any member of the board may be removed by the governor for
- 16 neglect of duty, misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance, or any
- 17 other just cause.
- 18 (8) The governor shall appoint the executive director of the
- 19 board to serve a 6-year term. After the effective date of the act
- 20 that added this subsection, the THE appointment of the executive
- 21 director shall require—REQUIRES the approval of the senate by a
- 22 record roll call vote. The executive director shall perform any and
- 23 all duties that the board shall assign ASSIGNS TO him or her. The
- 24 executive director shall MUST be reimbursed for all actual and
- 25 necessary expenses incurred by him or her in discharge of his or
- 26 her official duties. The executive director shall keep records of
- 27 all proceedings of the board and shall preserve all records, books,

- 1 documents, and other papers belonging to the board or entrusted to
- 2 its care. The executive director shall devote his or her full time
- 3 to the duties of the office and shall not hold any other office or
- 4 employment. A vacancy in the position of executive director shall
- 5 MUST be filled as provided in this subsection for a new 6-year
- 6 term.
- 7 (9) The board shall employ **THE** personnel as may be necessary
- 8 to carry out the functions of the board under this act.
- 9 (10) A—THE GOVERNOR SHALL NOT APPOINT A person shall not be
- 10 appointed to or employed by THE BOARD AND the board SHALL NOT
- 11 EMPLOY A PERSON if any of the following circumstances exist:
- 12 (a) During the 3 years immediately preceding appointment or
- 13 employment, the person held any direct or indirect interest in, or
- 14 any employment by, a person who is licensed to operate a casino
- 15 under this act or in another jurisdiction, a person who had an
- 16 application to operate a casino pending before the board or any
- 17 other jurisdiction, or a casino enterprise. However, the BOARD MAY
- 18 EMPLOY THE person may be employed by the board if his or her
- 19 interest in any casino licensee or casino enterprise would not, in
- 20 the opinion of the board, interfere with the objective discharge of
- 21 the person's employment obligations. However, THE BOARD SHALL NOT
- 22 EMPLOY a person shall not be employed by the board if his or her
- 23 interest in the casino licensee or casino enterprise constitutes a
- 24 controlling interest in that casino licensee or casino enterprise.
- 25 (b) The person or his or her spouse, parent, child, child's
- 26 spouse, sibling, or spouse of a sibling is a member of the board of
- 27 directors of or a person financially interested in any person

- 1 licensed as a casino licensee or casino supplier, any person who
- 2 has an application for a license pending before the board, or a
- 3 casino enterprise.
- 4 (11) Each member, of the board, the executive director, and
- 5 each key employee as determined by the board TO BE A KEY EMPLOYEE
- 6 shall file with the governor a financial disclosure statement
- 7 listing all assets and liabilities, property and business
- 8 interests, and sources of income of the member, executive director,
- 9 and each key employee and any of their spouses affirming that THE
- 10 CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (10) DO NOT APPLY TO the
- 11 member, executive director, and key employee. are in compliance
- 12 with subsection (10)(a) and (b) of this act. The financial
- 13 disclosure statement shall MUST be under oath and shall be filed at
- 14 the time of employment and annually thereafter.
- 15 (12) Each employee of the board shall file with the board a
- 16 financial disclosure statement listing all assets and liabilities,
- 17 property and business interests, and sources of income of the
- 18 employee and his or her spouse. This subsection does not apply to
- 19 the executive director or a key employee.
- 20 (13) A member, of the board, executive director, or key
- 21 employee shall not hold any direct or indirect interest in, be
- 22 employed by, or enter into a contract for services with an
- 23 applicant, a person licensed by or registered with the board, or a
- 24 casino enterprise for a period of 4 years after the date his or her
- 25 membership on the board terminates.
- 26 (14) An employee of the board shall not acquire any direct or
- 27 indirect interest in, be employed by, or enter into a contract for

- 1 services with any applicant, person licensed by the board, or
- 2 casino enterprise for a period of 2 years after the date his or her
- 3 employment with the board is terminated.
- 4 (15) A board member or a person employed by the board shall
- 5 not represent any person or party other than the THIS state before
- 6 or against the board for a period of 2 years after the termination
- 7 of his or her office or employment with the board.
- **8** (16) A business entity in which a former board member or
- 9 employee or agent OF THE BOARD has an interest, or any partner,
- 10 officer, or employee of the business entity shall not make any
- 11 appearance or representation that is prohibited to that former
- 12 member, employee, or agent. As used in this subsection, "business
- 13 entity" means a corporation, limited liability company,
- 14 partnership, limited liability partnership, association, trust, or
- 15 other form of legal entity.
- 16 (17) The board shall have HAS general responsibility for the
- 17 implementation of this act. The board's duties include, but are not
- 18 limited to, all of the following:
- 19 (a) Deciding in a reasonable period of time all casino license
- 20 applications. A casino license applicant shall have HAS the burden
- 21 to establish by clear and convincing evidence their ITS suitability
- 22 as to integrity, moral character, and reputation; personal and
- 23 business probity; financial ability and experience; responsibility;
- 24 and other criteria considered appropriate by the board. The
- 25 criteria considered appropriate by the board shall MUST not be
- 26 arbitrary, capricious, or contradictory to the expressed provisions
- 27 of this act.

- 1 (b) To decide DECIDING in reasonable order all license
- 2 applications. Except for casino license applicants granted a
- 3 hearing under section 6(7), any party aggrieved by an action of the
- 4 board denying, suspending, revoking, restricting, or refusing to
- 5 renew a license, or imposing a fine, may request a hearing before
- 6 the board. A request for a hearing shall MUST be made to the board
- 7 in writing within 21 days after service of notice of the action of
- 8 the board. Notice of the action of the board shall MUST be served
- 9 either by personal delivery or by certified mail, postage prepaid,
- 10 to the aggrieved party. Notice served by certified mail shall be IS
- 11 considered complete on the business day following the date of the
- 12 mailing.
- 13 (c) Conducting its public meetings in compliance with the open
- 14 meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.15.261 TO 15.275.
- 15 (d) Promulgating the rules as may be necessary to implement,
- 16 administer, and enforce this act. All THE rules promulgated under
- 17 this act shall MUST not be arbitrary, capricious, or contradictory
- 18 to the expressed provisions of this act. The rules may include, but
- 19 need not be limited to, rules that do 1 or more of the following:
- 20 (i) Govern, restrict, approve, or regulate the casino gaming
- 21 authorized in this act.
- 22 (ii) Promote the safety, security, and integrity of casino
- 23 gaming authorized in this act.
- 24 (iii) License and regulate persons participating in or
- 25 involved with casino gaming authorized in this act.
- (e) Providing for the establishment and collection of all
- 27 license and registration fees and taxes imposed by this act and the

- 1 rules promulgated by the board.
- 2 (f) Providing for the levy and collection of penalties and
- 3 fines for the violation of this act and the rules promulgated by
- 4 the board.
- 5 (g) Being present through its inspectors, agents, auditors,
- 6 and the Michigan DEPARTMENT OF state police or DEPARTMENT OF
- 7 attorney general at any time in any casino and related casino
- 8 enterprise for the purpose of certifying the revenue thereof, OF
- 9 THE LICENSEE, receiving complaints from the public, and conducting
- 10 other investigations into the conduct of the gambling games and the
- 11 maintenance of the equipment as from time to time the board may
- 12 consider CONSIDERS necessary and proper to assure compliance with
- 13 this act and the rules promulgated by the board and to protect and
- 14 promote the overall safety, security, and integrity of casino
- 15 gaming authorized in this act.
- 16 (h) Reviewing and ruling upon any complaint by a licensee
- 17 regarding any investigative procedures of the THIS state which THAT
- 18 are unnecessarily disruptive of gambling operations. The need to
- 19 inspect and investigate shall be IS presumed at all times. A
- 20 licensee shall MUST establish by clear and convincing evidence that
- 21 its operations were disrupted, the procedures had no reasonable law
- 22 enforcement or regulatory purposes, and the procedures were so
- 23 disruptive as to unreasonably inhibit gambling operations.
- 24 (i) Holding at least 1 public meeting each quarter of the
- 25 fiscal year. In addition, special meetings may be called by the
- 26 chairperson or any 2 board members upon 72 hours' written notice to
- 27 each member. Three members of the board shall constitute a quorum,

- 1 except when THAT IN making determinations on applications for
- 2 casino licenses, when 4 members shall constitute a quorum. Three
- 3 votes shall be ARE required in support of final determinations of
- 4 the board on applications for casino licenses. The board shall keep
- 5 a complete and accurate record of all its meetings and hearings.
- 6 Upon order of the board, 1 of the board members or a hearing
- 7 officer designated by the board may conduct any hearing provided
- 8 for under this act or by the rules promulgated by the board and may
- 9 recommend findings and decisions to the board. The board member or
- 10 hearing officer conducting the hearing shall have HAS all powers
- 11 and rights regarding the conduct of hearings granted to the board
- 12 under this act. The record made at the time of the hearing shall
- 13 MUST be reviewed by the board, or a majority of the board, and the
- 14 findings and decision of the majority of the board shall constitute
- 15 the order of the board. in the case.
- 16 (j) Maintaining records which THAT are separate and distinct
- 17 from the records of any other state board. The BOARD SHALL MAKE THE
- 18 records shall be available for public inspection subject to the
- 19 limitations of this act, and shall THE RECORDS MUST accurately
- 20 reflect all board proceedings.
- 21 (k) Reviewing the patterns of wagering and wins and losses by
- 22 persons in casinos under this act and make MAKING recommendations
- 23 to the governor and the legislature in a written annual report to
- 24 the governor and the legislature and additional reports as
- 25 REQUESTED BY the governor. may request. The annual report shall
- 26 MUST include a statement of receipts and disbursements by the
- 27 board, actions taken by the board, and any additional information

- 1 and recommendations that the board considers appropriate or that
- 2 the governor may request. REQUESTS.
- 3 Sec. 4a. (1) The board shall have HAS jurisdiction over and
- 4 shall supervise all gambling operations governed by this act. The
- 5 board shall have HAS all powers necessary and proper to fully and
- 6 effectively execute this act, including, but not limited to, the
- 7 authority to do all of the following:
- 8 (a) Investigate applicants and determine the eligibility of
- 9 applicants for licenses or registration and to grant licenses to
- 10 applicants in accordance with this act and the rules promulgated
- 11 under this act.
- 12 (b) Have jurisdiction over and supervise casino gambling
- 13 operations authorized by this act and all persons in casinos where
- 14 gambling operations are conducted under this act.
- 15 (c) Enter through its investigators, agents, auditors, and the
- 16 Michigan DEPARTMENT OF state police at any time, without a warrant
- 17 and without notice to the licensee, the premises, offices, casinos,
- 18 casino enterprises, facilities, or other places of business of a
- 19 casino licensee or casino supplier licensee, where evidence of the
- 20 compliance or noncompliance with this act or rules promulgated by
- 21 the board is likely to be found, for the following purposes:
- (i) To inspect and examine all premises wherein WHERE casino
- 23 gaming or the business of gaming or the business of a supplier is
- 24 conducted, or where any records of the activities are prepared.
- 25 (ii) To inspect, examine, audit, impound, seize, or assume
- 26 physical control of, or summarily remove from the premises all
- 27 books, ledgers, documents, writings, photocopies, correspondence,

- 1 records, videotapes, including electronically stored records, money
- 2 receptacles, other containers and their contents, equipment in
- 3 which the records are stored, or other gaming related equipment and
- 4 supplies on or around the premises, including counting rooms.
- 5 (iii) To inspect the person, and inspect, examine, and seize
- 6 personal effects present in a casino facility licensed under this
- 7 act, of any holder of a license or registration issued pursuant to
- 8 UNDER this act while that person is present in a licensed casino
- 9 facility.
- (iv) To investigate and deter alleged violations of this act
- 11 or the rules promulgated by the board.
- 12 (v) This section is not intended to limit warrantless
- 13 inspections except in accordance with constitutional requirements.
- 14 (d) Investigate alleged violations of this act or rules
- 15 promulgated by the board and to take appropriate disciplinary
- 16 action against a licensee or any other person, or holder of an
- 17 occupational license for a violation, or institute appropriate
- 18 legal action for enforcement, or both.
- 19 (e) Adopt standards for the licensing of all persons under
- 20 this act, as well as for electronic or mechanical gambling games or
- 21 gambling games, and to establish fees for the licenses.
- 22 (f) Adopt appropriate standards for all casino gaming
- 23 facilities and equipment.
- 24 (g) Require that all records of casino and supplier licensees,
- 25 including financial or other statements, shall be kept on the
- 26 premises of the casino licensee or supplier licensee in the manner
- 27 prescribed by the board.

- 1 (h) Require that each casino licensee involved in the
- 2 ownership or management of gambling operations submit to the board
- 3 an annual balance sheet, profit and loss statement, and a list of
- 4 the stockholders or other persons having a 1% or greater beneficial
- 5 interest in the gambling activities of each THE licensee in
- 6 addition to any other information the board considers necessary in
- 7 order to effectively administer this act and all rules promulgated
- 8 by the board and orders and final decisions made under this act.
- 9 (i) Conduct investigative and contested case hearings, issue
- 10 subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and subpoenas duces tecum
- 11 for the production of books, ledgers, records, memoranda,
- 12 electronically retrievable data, and other pertinent documents and
- 13 to administer oaths and affirmations to the witnesses to exercise
- 14 and discharge the powers and duties of the board under this act.
- 15 The executive director or his or her designee is also authorized to
- 16 issue subpoenas and to administer oaths and affirmations to
- witnesses.
- 18 (j) Prescribe a form to be used by any licensee involved in
- 19 the ownership or management of gambling operations as an
- 20 application for employment for prospective employees.
- 21 (k) Revoke or suspend licenses, impose fines and penalties as
- 22 the board considers necessary and in compliance with applicable
- 23 laws of the THIS state regarding administrative procedures, and
- 24 review and decide applications for the renewal of licenses. The
- 25 board may suspend a casino license, without notice or hearing upon
- 26 a determination that the safety or health of patrons or employees
- 27 is jeopardized by continuing a casino's operation. If the board

- 1 suspends a license under this subdivision without notice or
- 2 hearing, a prompt postsuspension hearing shall MUST be held to
- 3 determine if the suspension should remain in effect. The suspension
- 4 may remain in effect until the board determines that the cause for
- 5 suspension has been abated. The board may revoke the casino license
- 6 upon a determination that the owner has not made satisfactory
- 7 progress toward abating the hazard.
- 8 (l) In addition to a disassociated person, eject or exclude or
- 9 authorize the ejection or exclusion of a person from a casino if
- 10 the person violates this act, rules promulgated by the board, or A
- 11 final orders ORDER of the board or when IF the board determines
- 12 that the person's conduct or reputation is such that his or her
- 13 presence within the casino gambling facilities may compromise the
- 14 honesty and integrity of the gambling operations or interferes
- 15 INTERFERE with the orderly conduct of the gambling operations.
- 16 However, the propriety of the ejection or exclusion is subject to a
- 17 subsequent hearing by the board.
- 18 (m) Suspend, revoke, or restrict licenses and require the
- 19 removal of a licensee or an employee of a licensee for a violation
- 20 of this act or a rule promulgated by the board or for engaging in a
- 21 fraudulent practice, and impose civil penalties of up to \$5,000.00
- 22 against individuals and up to \$10,000.00 or an amount equal to the
- 23 daily gross receipts, whichever is greater, against casino
- 24 licensees for each violation of this act, any rules promulgated by
- 25 the board, any order of the board, or for any other action which
- 26 THAT the board determines is a detriment or impediment to casino
- 27 gambling operations.

- 1 (n) Disqualify a person under section 7c(5).
- 2 (o) In addition to the authority provided under subdivision
- 3 (m), revoke or suspend a casino license or impose any other
- 4 disciplinary action for any of the following reasons:
- 5 (i) The casino licensee has violated the Michigan liquor
- 6 control act, 1933 (Ex Sess) PA 8, MCL 436.1 to 436.57a, CODE OF
- 7 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1101 TO 436.2303, or rules promulgated
- 8 under that act.
- 9 (ii) At any time the licensee no longer meets the eligibility
- 10 requirements or suitability determination by the board for a casino
- 11 license under this act.
- 12 (iii) The failure to revoke or suspend the license would
- 13 undermine the public's confidence in the Michigan gaming industry
- 14 IN THIS STATE.
- 15 (p) Conduct periodic audits of casinos authorized under this
- **16** act.
- 17 (q) Establish minimum levels of insurance to be maintained by
- 18 licensees.
- 19 (r) Delegate the execution of any of its powers under this act
- 20 for the purpose of administering and enforcing this act and the
- 21 rules promulgated by the board. This subdivision does not apply to
- 22 the granting of casino licenses under section 6.
- 23 (s) Perform a background check, at the vendor's expense, of
- 24 any vendor using the same standards that the board uses in
- 25 determining whether to grant a supplier's license.
- 26 (t) Review the business practices of a casino licensee
- 27 including, but not limited to, the price and quality of goods and

- 1 services offered to patrons and take disciplinary action as the
- 2 board considers appropriate to prevent practices that undermine the
- 3 public's confidence in the Michigan gaming industry IN THIS STATE.
- 4 (u) Review a licensee if that licensee is under review or is
- 5 otherwise subject to discipline by a regulatory body in any other
- 6 jurisdiction for a violation of a gambling law or regulation in
- 7 that jurisdiction.
- 8 (v) Take any other action as may be reasonable or appropriate
- 9 to enforce this act and rules promulgated by the board.
- 10 (2) The board may seek and shall receive the cooperation and
- 11 assistance of the department of state police and department of
- 12 attorney general in conducting background investigations of
- 13 applicants and in fulfilling its responsibilities under this act.
- 14 Sec. 4c. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all
- 15 information, records, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda,
- 16 or other data supplied to or used by the board shall be ARE subject
- 17 to the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to
- 18 15.246, except for the following:
- (a) Unless presented during a public hearing, all the
- 20 information, records, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda,
- 21 or other data supplied to, created by, or used by the board related
- 22 to background investigation of applicants or licensees and to trade
- 23 secrets, internal controls, and security measures of the licensees
- 24 or applicants.
- 25 (b) All information, records, interviews, reports, statements,
- 26 memoranda, or other data supplied to or used by the board that have
- 27 been received from another jurisdiction or local, state, or federal

- 1 agency under a promise of confidentiality or if the release of the
- 2 information is otherwise barred by the statutes, rules, or
- 3 regulations of that jurisdiction or agency or by an
- 4 intergovernmental agreement.
- 5 (c) All information provided in an application for license
- 6 required under this act.
- 7 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1)(a) or (c), the board shall,
- 8 upon written request from any person, provide the following
- 9 information concerning the AN applicant or licensee, his or her
- 10 products, services or gambling enterprises, and his or her business
- 11 holdings if the board has the information in its possession:
- 12 (a) The name, business address, and business telephone number.
- 13 (b) An identification of any THE applicant or licensee,
- 14 including, if an THE applicant or licensee is not an individual,
- 15 its state of incorporation or registration, its corporate officers,
- 16 and the identity of its shareholders. If an applicant or licensee
- 17 has a registration statement or a pending registration statement
- 18 filed with the securities and exchange commission, SECURITIES AND
- 19 EXCHANGE COMMISSION, only the names of those persons or entities
- 20 holding interest of 5% or more shall be provided.
- 21 (c) An identification of any business, including, if
- 22 applicable, the state of incorporation or registration, in which an
- 23 THE applicant or licensee or an THE applicant's or licensee's
- 24 spouse, parent, or child has equity interest of more than 5%.
- 25 (d) Whether an THE applicant or licensee has been indicted,
- 26 convicted, pleaded quilty or nolo contendere, or forfeited bail
- 27 concerning any criminal offense under the laws of any jurisdiction,

- 1 either felony or misdemeanor, not including traffic violations,
- 2 including the name and location of the court, the date, and THE
- 3 disposition of the offense.
- 4 (e) Whether an THE applicant or licensee has had any license
- 5 or certification issued by a licensing authority in Michigan THIS
- 6 STATE or any other jurisdiction denied, restricted, suspended,
- 7 revoked, or not renewed and, if known by the board, a statement
- 8 describing the facts and circumstances concerning the denial,
- 9 restriction, suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal, including the
- 10 name of the licensing authority, the date each action was taken,
- 11 and the reason for each action.
- 12 (f) Whether an THE applicant or licensee has ever filed, or
- 13 had filed against it, a proceeding for bankruptcy or has ever been
- 14 involved in any formal process to adjust, defer, suspend, or
- 15 otherwise work out the payment of any debt, including the date of
- 16 filing, the name and location of the court, the case, and number of
- 17 the disposition.
- 18 (g) Whether an-THE applicant or licensee has filed, or been
- 19 served with, a complaint or other notice filed with any public body
- 20 regarding the delinquent payment of any tax required under federal,
- 21 state, or local law, including the amount of the tax, type of tax,
- 22 the taxing agency, and time periods involved.
- 23 (h) A statement listing the names and titles of all public
- 24 officials or officers of any city, state, or federal body, agency,
- 25 or entity and relatives of the officials who, directly or
- 26 indirectly, own any financial interest in, have any beneficial
- 27 interest in, are the creditors of, or hold or have any other

- 1 interest in, or any contractual or service relationship with, an
- 2 THE applicant or licensee. under this act.
- 3 (i) Whether an THE applicant or licensee or the spouse,
- 4 parent, child, or spouse of a child of an THE applicant or licensee
- 5 has made, directly or indirectly, any political contributions, or
- 6 any loans, gifts, or other payments to any candidate as THAT TERM
- 7 IS defined in section 7b or officeholder elected in this state,
- 8 within 5 years prior to BEFORE the date of filing the application,
- 9 including the amount and the method of payment or to a committee
- 10 established under the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388,
- **11** MCL 169.201 to 169.282.
- 12 (j) The name and business telephone number of any attorney,
- 13 counsel, lobbyist agent as **THAT TERM IS** defined in section 5 of
- 14 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.415, or any other person representing an THE
- 15 applicant or licensee in matters before the board.
- 16 (k) A summary of the applicant's development agreement with
- 17 the city, including the applicant's proposed location, the square
- 18 footage of any proposed casino, the type of additional facilities,
- 19 restaurants, or hotels proposed by the applicant, the expected
- 20 economic benefit to the city, THE anticipated or actual number of
- 21 employees, any statement from the applicant regarding compliance
- 22 with federal and state affirmative action guidelines, THE projected
- 23 or actual admissions, and THE projected or actual adjusted gross
- 24 receipts.
- 25 (l) A description of the product or service to be supplied by,
- 26 or occupation to be engaged in by, a THE licensee.
- 27 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all

- 1 information, records, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda,
- 2 or other data provided in a response to a request for proposals for
- 3 development agreements issued by the-A city and all draft
- 4 development agreements being negotiated by the city shall be ARE
- 5 exempt from disclosure under the freedom of information act, 1976
- **6** PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246, including but not limited to any of
- 7 the following:
- 8 (a) Unless presented during a public hearing, all records,
- 9 interviews, reports, statements, memoranda, or other information
- 10 supplied to, created by, or used by the city related to background
- 11 investigation of applicants for a development agreement and to
- 12 trade secrets, internal controls, and security measures of the
- 13 licensees or applicants.
- 14 (b) All records, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda,
- 15 or other information supplied to or used by the city that have been
- 16 received from another jurisdiction or local, state, or federal
- 17 agency under a promise of confidentiality or if the release of the
- 18 information is otherwise barred by the statutes, rules, or
- 19 regulations of that jurisdiction or agency or by an
- 20 intergovernmental agreement.
- (c) All information provided in a response to a request for
- 22 proposals for development agreements.
- 23 (4) Notwithstanding subsection (3)(a) or (c), the A city
- 24 shall, upon request, disclose the following information concerning
- 25 the A response to a request for proposals for development
- 26 agreements:
- 27 (a) The name, business address, and business telephone number

- 1 of the person filing the response.
- 2 (b) An identification of a THE person filing a THE response,
- 3 including, if the person is not an individual, the state of
- 4 incorporation or registration, the corporate officers, and the
- 5 identity of all shareholders or participants. If a THE person
- 6 filing a response has a registration statement or a pending
- 7 registration statement filed with the securities and exchange
- 8 commission, SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, the city shall only
- 9 provide the names of those persons or entities holding interest of
- **10** 5% or more.
- 11 (c) An identification of any business, including, if
- 12 applicable, the state of incorporation or registration, in which $\frac{1}{4}$
- 13 THE person filing a response or his or her spouse, parent, or child
- 14 has equity interest of more than 5%.
- 15 (d) Whether a THE person filing a response has been indicted,
- 16 convicted, pleaded guilty or nolo contendere, or forfeited bail
- 17 concerning any criminal offense under the laws of any jurisdiction,
- 18 either felony or misdemeanor, not including traffic violations,
- 19 including the name and location of the court, the date, and THE
- 20 disposition of the offense.
- 21 (e) Whether a—THE person filing a response has had any license
- 22 or certification issued by a licensing authority in Michigan THIS
- 23 STATE or any other jurisdiction denied, restricted, suspended,
- 24 revoked, or not renewed and, if known by the city, a statement
- 25 describing the facts and circumstances concerning the denial,
- 26 restriction, suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal, including the
- 27 name of the licensing authority, the date each action was taken,

- 1 and the reason for each action.
- 2 (f) Whether a THE person filing a response has ever filed, or
- 3 had filed against it, a proceeding for bankruptcy or has ever been
- 4 involved in any formal process to adjust, defer, suspend, or
- 5 otherwise work out the payment of any debt, including the date of
- 6 filing, the name and location of the court, the case, and number of
- 7 the disposition.
- **8** (g) Whether a—**THE** person filing a response has filed, or been
- 9 served with, a complaint or other notice filed with any public body
- 10 regarding the delinquency in the payment of any tax required under
- 11 federal, state, or local law, including the amount, type of tax,
- 12 the taxing agency, and time periods involved.
- 13 (h) A statement listing the names and titles of all public
- 14 officials or officers of any city, state, or federal body, agency,
- 15 or entity and relatives of the officials who, directly or
- 16 indirectly, own any financial interest in, have any beneficial
- 17 interest in, are the creditors of, or hold or have any interest in
- 18 or have any contractual or service relationship with, a—THE person
- 19 filing a response.
- 20 (i) Whether a THE person filing a response or the spouse,
- 21 parent, child, or spouse of a child of a—THE person filing a
- 22 response has made, directly or indirectly, any political
- 23 contributions, or any loans, gifts, or other payments to any board
- 24 member or any candidate as **THAT TERM IS** defined in section 7b or
- 25 officeholder elected in this state or to a committee established
- 26 under the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.201
- 27 to 169.282, within 5 years before the date of filing the

- 1 application, including the amount and the method of payment.
- 2 (j) The name and business telephone number of the counsel
- 3 representing a THE person filing a response.
- 4 (k) A summary of the development agreement proposal with the
- 5 city, including the applicant's proposed location, the square
- 6 footage of any THE proposed casino, the type of additional
- 7 facilities, restaurants, or hotels proposed by the person filing a
- 8 response, the expected economic benefit to the city, THE
- 9 anticipated or actual number of employees, any statement from the
- 10 applicant regarding compliance with federal and state affirmative
- 11 action guidelines, THE projected or actual admissions, and THE
- 12 projected or actual adjusted gross receipts.
- 13 (l) A description of the product or service to be supplied by,
- 14 or occupation to be engaged in by, a person filing a response.
- 15 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the board
- 16 or the A city may cooperate with and provide all information,
- 17 records, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda, or other data
- 18 supplied to or used by the board to other jurisdictions or law
- 19 enforcement agencies.
- 20 Sec. 4d. (1) By January 31 of each year, each member of the
- 21 board shall prepare and file with the office of the board, a board
- 22 disclosure form in which the member does all of the following:
- 23 (a) Affirms that the member or the member's spouse, parent,
- 24 child, or child's spouse is not a member of the board of directors
- 25 of, financially interested in, or employed by a licensee or
- 26 applicant.
- 27 (b) Affirms that the member continues to meet any other

- 1 criteria for board membership under this act or the rules
- 2 promulgated by the board.
- 3 (c) Discloses any legal or beneficial interests in any real
- 4 property that is or that may be directly or indirectly involved
- 5 with gaming or gaming operations authorized by this act.
- **6** (d) Discloses any other information as may be required to
- 7 ensure that the integrity of the board and its work is maintained.
- 8 (2) By January 31 of each year, each employee of the board
- 9 shall prepare and file with the office of the board an employee
- 10 disclosure form in which the employee does all of the following:
- 11 (a) Affirms the absence of financial interests prohibited by
- 12 this act.
- 13 (b) Discloses any legal or beneficial interests in any real
- 14 property that is or that may be directly or indirectly involved
- 15 with gaming or gaming operations authorized by this act.
- (c) Discloses whether the employee or the employee's spouse,
- 17 parent, child, or child's spouse is financially interested in or
- 18 employed by a supplier licensee or an applicant for a supplier's
- 19 license under this act.
- 20 (d) Discloses such ANY other matters as may be required to
- 21 ensure that the integrity of the board and its work is maintained.
- 22 (3) A member, employee, or agent of the board who becomes
- 23 aware that the member, employee, or agent of the board or his or
- 24 her spouse, parent, or child is a member of the board of directors
- 25 of, financially interested in, or employed by a licensee or an
- 26 applicant shall immediately provide detailed written notice thereof
- 27 OF THE MEMBERSHIP, FINANCIAL INTEREST, OR EMPLOYMENT to the

- 1 chairperson.
- 2 (4) A member, employee, or agent of the board who has been
- 3 indicted, charged with, convicted of, pled guilty or nolo contendre
- 4 CONTENDERE to, or forfeited bail concerning a misdemeanor involving
- 5 gambling, dishonesty, theft, or fraud or a local ordinance in any
- 6 state involving gambling, dishonesty, theft, or fraud that
- 7 substantially corresponds to a misdemeanor in that state, or a
- 8 felony under Michigan law, the laws of any other state, or the laws
- 9 of the United States, or any other jurisdiction shall immediately
- 10 provide detailed written notice of the conviction or charge to the
- 11 chairperson.
- 12 (5) Any member, employee, or agent of the board who is
- 13 negotiating for, or acquires by any means, any interest in any
- 14 person who is a licensee or an applicant, or any person affiliated
- 15 with such a person, shall immediately provide written notice of the
- 16 details of the interest to the chairperson. The member, employee,
- 17 or agent of the board shall not act on behalf of the board with
- 18 respect to that person.
- 19 (6) A member, employee, or agent of the board may not enter
- 20 into any negotiations for employment with any person or affiliate
- 21 of any person who is a licensee or an applicant, and shall
- 22 immediately provide written notice of the details of any such
- 23 negotiations or discussions to the chairperson. The member,
- 24 employee, or agent of the board shall not take any action on behalf
- 25 of the board with respect to that person.
- 26 (7) Any member, employee, or agent of the board who receives
- 27 an invitation, written or oral, to initiate a discussion concerning

- 1 employment or the possibility of employment with a person or
- 2 affiliate of a person who is a licensee or an applicant shall
- 3 immediately report that he or she received the invitation to the
- 4 chairperson. The member, employee, or agent of the board shall not
- 5 take action on behalf of the board with respect to the person.
- 6 (8) A licensee or applicant shall not knowingly initiate a
- 7 negotiation for or discussion of employment with a member,
- 8 employee, or agent of the board. A licensee or applicant who
- 9 initiates a negotiation or discussion about employment shall
- 10 immediately provide written notice of the details of the
- 11 negotiation or discussion to the chairperson as soon as he or she
- 12 becomes aware that the negotiation or discussion has been initiated
- 13 with a member, employee, or agent of the board.
- 14 (9) A member, employee, or agent of the board, or former
- 15 member, employee, or agent of the board, shall not disseminate or
- 16 otherwise disclose any material or information in the possession of
- 17 the board that the board considers confidential unless specifically
- 18 authorized to do so by the chairperson or the board.
- 19 (10) A member, employee, or agent of the board or a parent,
- 20 spouse, sibling, spouse of a sibling, child, or spouse of a child
- 21 of a member, employee, or agent of the board may not accept any
- 22 gift, gratuity, compensation, travel, lodging, or anything of
- 23 value, directly or indirectly, from any licensee or any applicant
- 24 or affiliate or representative of an applicant or licensee, unless
- 25 the acceptance conforms to a written policy or directive that is
- 26 issued by the chairperson or the board. Any member, employee, or
- 27 agent of the board who is offered or receives any gift, gratuity,

- 1 compensation, travel, lodging, or anything of value, directly or
- 2 indirectly, from any licensee or any applicant or affiliate or
- 3 representative of an applicant or licensee shall immediately
- 4 provide written notification of the details to the chairperson.
- 5 (11) A licensee or applicant, or affiliate or representative
- 6 of an applicant or licensee, may not, directly or indirectly, give
- 7 or offer to give any gift, gratuity, compensation, travel, lodging,
- 8 or anything of value to any member, employee, or agent of the board
- 9 which the member, employee, or agent of the board is prohibited
- 10 from accepting under subsection (10).
- 11 (12) A member, employee, or agent of the board shall not
- 12 engage in any conduct that constitutes a conflict of interest, and
- 13 shall immediately advise the chairperson in writing of the details
- 14 of any incident or circumstances that would present the existence
- 15 of a conflict of interest with respect to the performance of the
- 16 board-related work or duty of the member, employee, or agent of the
- 17 board.
- 18 (13) A member, employee, or agent of the board who is
- 19 approached and offered a bribe in violation of section 118 of the
- 20 Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.118, or this act shall
- 21 immediately provide written account of the details of the incident
- 22 to the chairperson and to a law enforcement officer of a law
- 23 enforcement agency having jurisdiction.
- 24 (14) A member, employee, or agent of the board shall disclose
- 25 his or her past involvement with any casino interest in the past 5
- 26 years and shall not engage in political activity or politically
- 27 related activity during the duration of his or her appointment or

- 1 employment.
- 2 (15) A former member, employee, or agent of the board may
- 3 appear before the board as a fact witness about matters or actions
- 4 handled by the member, employee, or agent during his or her tenure
- 5 as a member, employee, or agent of the board. The member, employee,
- 6 or agent of the board shall not receive compensation for such an
- 7 appearance other than a standard witness fee and reimbursement for
- 8 travel expenses as established by statute or court rule.
- **9** (16) A licensee or applicant or any affiliate or
- 10 representative of an applicant or licensee shall not engage in ex
- 11 parte communications with a member of the board. A member of the
- 12 board shall not engage in any ex parte communications with a
- 13 licensee or an applicant or with any affiliate or representative of
- 14 an applicant or licensee.
- 15 (17) Any board member, licensee, or applicant or affiliate or
- 16 representative of a board member, licensee, or applicant who
- 17 receives any ex parte communication in violation of subsection
- 18 (16), or who is aware of an attempted communication in violation of
- 19 subsection (16), shall immediately report details of the
- 20 communication or attempted communication in writing to the
- 21 chairperson.
- 22 (18) Any member of the board who receives an ex parte
- 23 communication which THAT attempts to influence that member's
- 24 official action shall disclose the source and content of the
- 25 communication to the chairperson. The chairperson may investigate
- 26 or initiate an investigation of the matter with the assistance of
- 27 the attorney general and THE DEPARTMENT OF state police to

- 1 determine if the communication violates subsection (16) or
- 2 subsection (17) or other state law. The disclosure under this
- 3 section and the investigation shall remain confidential. Following
- 4 an investigation, the chairperson shall advise the governor or the
- 5 board, or both, of the results of the investigation and may
- 6 recommend action as the chairperson considers appropriate.
- 7 (19) A new or current employee or agent of the board shall
- 8 obtain written permission from the executive director before
- 9 continuing outside employment held at the time the employee begins
- 10 to work for the board. Permission THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR shall be
- 11 denied, DENY PERMISSION, or REVOKE permission previously granted,
- 12 will be revoked, if the nature of the work is considered to or does
- 13 create CREATES a possible conflict of interest or otherwise
- 14 interferes with the duties of the employee or agent for the board.
- 15 (20) An employee or agent of the board granted permission for
- 16 outside employment shall not conduct any business or perform any
- 17 activities, including solicitation, related to outside employment
- 18 on premises used by the board or during the employee's working
- 19 hours for the board.
- 20 (21) Whenever IF the chairperson, as an employee of the board,
- 21 is required to file disclosure forms or report in writing the
- 22 details of any incident or circumstance pursuant to UNDER this
- 23 section, he or she shall make such filings FILE THOSE DISCLOSURE
- 24 FORMS or written reports to WITH the board.
- 25 (22) The chairperson shall report any action he or she has
- 26 taken or contemplates taking under this section with respect to an
- 27 employee or agent or former employee or former agent to the board

- 1 at the next meeting of the board. The board may direct the
- 2 executive director to take additional or different action.
- 3 (23) Except as follows, no-A member, employee, or agent of the
- 4 board may SHALL NOT participate in or wager on any gambling game
- 5 conducted by any licensee or applicant or any affiliate of an
- 6 applicant or licensee in Michigan THIS STATE or in any other
- 7 jurisdiction:
- 8 (a) A member, employee, or agent of the board may participate
- 9 in and wager on a gambling game conducted by a licensee under this
- 10 act, to the extent authorized by the chairperson or board as part
- 11 of the person's surveillance, security, or other official duties
- 12 for the board.
- 13 (b) A member, employee, or agent of the board shall advise the
- 14 chairperson at least 24 hours in advance if he or she plans to be
- 15 present in a casino in this state or in another jurisdiction
- 16 operated by a licensee or applicant, or affiliate of a licensee or
- 17 an applicant, outside the scope of his or her official duties for
- 18 the board.
- 19 (24) Violation of this section by a licensee or applicant, or
- 20 affiliate or representative of a licensee or applicant, may result
- 21 in denial of the application of licensure or revocation or
- 22 suspension of license or other disciplinary action by the board.
- 23 (25) Violation of this section by a member of the board may
- 24 result in disqualification or constitute cause for removal under
- 25 section 4(7) or other disciplinary action as determined by the
- 26 board.
- **27** (26) A violation of this section by an employee or agent of

- 1 the board will not result in termination of employment if the board
- 2 determines that the conduct involved does not violate the purpose
- 3 of this act, or require other disciplinary action, including
- 4 termination of employment. However, employment will be terminated
- **5** as follows:
- 6 (a) If, after being offered employment or beginning employment
- 7 with the board, the employee or agent intentionally acquires a
- 8 financial interest in a licensee or an applicant, or affiliate or
- 9 representative of a licensee or applicant, employment with the
- 10 board shall MUST be terminated.
- 11 (b) If a financial interest in a licensee or an applicant, or
- 12 affiliate or representative of a licensee or applicant, is acquired
- 13 by an employee or agent that has been offered employment with the
- 14 board, an employee of the board, or the employee's or agent's
- 15 spouse, parent, or child, through no intentional action of the
- 16 employee or agent, the individual shall have HAS up to 30 days to
- 17 divest or terminate the financial interest. Employment may be
- 18 terminated if the interest has not been divested after 30 days.
- 19 (c) Employment shall MUST be terminated if the employee or
- 20 agent is a spouse, parent, child, or spouse of a child of a board
- 21 member.
- 22 (27) Violation of this section does not create a civil cause
- 23 of action.
- 24 (28) As used in this section:
- 25 (a) "Outside employment" includes, but is not limited to ANY
- 26 OF, the following:
- (i) Operation of a proprietorship.

- $oldsymbol{1}$ (ii) Participation in a partnership or group business
- 2 enterprise.
- 3 (iii) Performance as a director or corporate officer of any
- 4 for-profit corporation or banking or credit institution.
- 5 (b) "Political activity" or "politically related activity"
- 6 includes all of the following:
- 7 (i) Using his or her official authority or influence for the
- 8 purpose of interfering with or affecting the result of an election.
- $\mathbf{9}$ (ii) Knowingly soliciting, accepting, or receiving a political
- 10 contribution from any person.
- 11 (iii) Running for the nomination or as a candidate for
- 12 election to a partisan political office.
- 13 (iv) Knowingly soliciting or discouraging the participation in
- 14 any political activity of any person who is either of the
- 15 following:
- 16 (A) Applying for any compensation, grant, contract, ruling,
- 17 license, permit, or certificate pending before the board.
- 18 (B) The subject of or a participant in an ongoing audit,
- 19 investigation, or enforcement action being carried out by the
- 20 board.
- 21 Sec. 5. (1) A person may apply to the board for a casino
- 22 license to conduct a casino-gambling operation as provided in this
- 23 act. The application shall MUST be made under oath on forms
- 24 provided by the board and shall—contain information as prescribed
- 25 by the board, including but not limited to all of the following:
- 26 (a) The name, business address, business telephone number,
- 27 social security SOCIAL SECURITY number, and, where applicable, the

- 1 federal tax identification number of any applicant.
- 2 (b) The identity of every person having a greater than 1%
- 3 direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the applicant with respect
- 4 to which the license is sought. If the disclosed entity is a trust,
- 5 the application shall MUST disclose the names and addresses of the
- 6 beneficiaries; if a corporation, the names and addresses of all
- 7 stockholders and directors; if a partnership, the names and
- 8 addresses of all partners, both general and limited; if a limited
- 9 liability company, the names and addresses of all members.
- 10 (c) An identification of any business, including, if
- 11 applicable, the state of incorporation or registration, in which an
- 12 applicant or an applicant's spouse, parent, or child has an equity
- 13 interest of more than 5%. If an applicant is a corporation,
- 14 partnership, or other business entity, the applicant shall identify
- 15 any other corporation, partnership, or other business entity in
- 16 which it has an equity interest of 5% or more, including, if
- 17 applicable, the state of incorporation or registration. An
- 18 applicant can MAY comply with this subdivision by filing a copy of
- 19 the applicant's registration with the securities exchange
- 20 commission if the registration contains the information required by
- 21 this subdivision.
- 22 (d) Whether an applicant has been indicted, charged, arrested,
- 23 convicted, pleaded quilty or nolo contendere, forfeited bail
- 24 concerning, or had expunged any criminal offense under the laws of
- 25 any jurisdiction, either felony or misdemeanor, not including
- 26 traffic violations, regardless of whether the offense has been
- 27 expunged, pardoned, or reversed on appeal or otherwise, including

- 1 the date, the name and location of the court, arresting agency and
- 2 prosecuting agency, the case caption, the docket number, the
- 3 offense, the disposition, and the location and length of
- 4 incarceration.
- (e) Whether an applicant has ever applied for or has been
- 6 granted any license or certificate issued by a licensing authority
- 7 in Michigan THIS STATE or any other jurisdiction that has been
- 8 denied, restricted, suspended, revoked, or not renewed and a
- 9 statement describing the facts and circumstances concerning the
- 10 application, denial, restriction, suspension, revocation, or
- 11 nonrenewal, including the licensing authority, the date each action
- 12 was taken, and the reason for each action.
- 13 (f) Whether an applicant has ever filed or had filed against
- 14 it a civil or administrative action or proceeding in bankruptcy or
- 15 has ever been involved in any formal process to adjust, defer,
- 16 suspend, or otherwise work out the payment of any debt including
- 17 the date of filing, the name and location of the court, the case
- 18 caption, the docket number, and the disposition.
- 19 (g) Whether an applicant has filed, or been served with, a
- 20 complaint or other notice filed with any public body, regarding the
- 21 delinquency in the payment of, or a dispute over the filings
- 22 concerning the payment of, any tax required under federal, state,
- 23 or local law, including the amount, type of tax, the taxing agency,
- 24 and time periods involved.
- 25 (h) A statement listing the names and titles of all public
- 26 officials or officers of any unit of government, and the spouses,
- 27 parents, and children of those public officials or officers who,

- 1 directly or indirectly, own any financial interest in, have any
- 2 beneficial interest in, are the creditors of or hold any debt
- 3 instrument issued by, or hold or have any interest in any
- 4 contractual or service relationship with, an applicant. As used in
- 5 this subdivision, "public official or officer" does not include a
- 6 person who would have to be listed solely because of his or her
- 7 state or federal military service.
- 8 (i) Whether an applicant or the spouse, parent, child, or
- 9 spouse of a child of an applicant has made, directly or indirectly,
- 10 any political contribution, or any loans, donations, or other
- 11 payments to any candidate as **THAT TERM IS** defined in section 7b or
- 12 officeholder elected in this state or to a committee established
- under the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.201
- 14 to 169.282, within 5 years from the date of the filing of the
- 15 application, including the identity of the board member, candidate,
- 16 or officeholder, the date, the amount, and the method of payment.
- 17 (j) The name and business telephone number of any attorney,
- 18 counsel, lobbyist agent as **THAT TERM IS** defined in section 5 of
- 19 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.415, or any other person representing an
- 20 applicant in matters before the board.
- 21 (k) A description of any proposed or approved casino gaming
- 22 operation and related casino enterprises, including the economic
- 23 benefit to the community, anticipated or actual number of
- 24 employees, any statement from an applicant regarding compliance
- 25 with federal and state affirmative action guidelines, projected or
- 26 actual admissions, projected or actual gross receipts, and
- 27 scientific market research.

- $oldsymbol{1}$ (1) Financial information in the manner and form prescribed by
- 2 the board.
- 3 (2) Information provided on the application shall MUST be used
- 4 as a basis for a thorough background investigation which THAT the
- 5 board shall conduct on each applicant. A false or incomplete
- 6 application is cause for denial of a license by the board.
- 7 (3) Applicants shall MUST submit with their application all
- 8 required development agreements and documents, certifications,
- 9 resolutions, and letters of support from the governing body that
- 10 represents the municipality in which the applicant proposes to
- 11 operate a casino.
- 12 (4) Applicants shall MUST consent in writing to being subject
- 13 to the inspections, searches, and seizures provided for in section
- 14 4a(1)(c)(i) to (v) and to disclosure to the board and its agents of
- 15 otherwise confidential records, including tax records held by any
- 16 federal, state, or local agency, or credit bureau or financial
- 17 institution, while applying for or holding a license under this
- **18** act.
- 19 (5) A nonrefundable application fee of \$50,000.00 shall MUST
- 20 be paid at the time of filing to defray the costs associated with
- 21 the background investigation conducted by the board. If the costs
- 22 of the investigation exceed \$50,000.00, the applicant shall pay the
- 23 additional amount to the board. All information, records,
- 24 interviews, reports, statements, memoranda, or other data supplied
- 25 to or used by the board in the course of its review or
- 26 investigation of an application for a license under this act shall
- 27 MUST only be disclosed in accordance with this act. The

- 1 information, records, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda,
- 2 or other data shall ARE not be admissible as evidence, nor
- 3 discoverable in any action of any kind in any court or before any
- 4 tribunal, board, agency, or person, except for any action
- 5 considered necessary by the board.
- 6 Sec. 6. (1) The board shall issue a casino license to a person
- 7 who applies for a license, who pays the nonrefundable application
- 8 fee required under section 5(5) and a \$25,000.00 license fee for
- 9 the first year of operation, and who the board determines is
- 10 eligible and suitable to receive a casino license under this act
- 11 and the rules promulgated by the board. It is the burden of the
- 12 applicant to establish by clear and convincing evidence its
- 13 suitability as to character, reputation, integrity, business
- 14 probity, experience, and ability, financial ability and
- 15 responsibility, and other criteria as may be considered appropriate
- 16 by the board. The criteria considered appropriate by the board
- 17 shall MUST not be arbitrary, capricious, or contradictory to the
- 18 expressed provisions of this act. A person is eligible to apply for
- 19 a casino license if all of the following criteria are met:
- 20 (a) The applicant proposes to locate the casino in a city
- 21 where the local legislative body enacted an ordinance approving
- 22 casino gaming that may include local ordinances governing casino
- 23 operations, occupational licensees, and suppliers which THAT are
- 24 consistent with this act and rules promulgated by the board.
- 25 (b) The applicant entered into a certified development
- 26 agreement with the city where the local legislative body enacted an
- 27 ordinance approving casino gaming.

- 1 (c) The applicant or its affiliates or affiliated companies
- 2 has a history of, or a bona fide plan for, either investment or
- 3 community involvement in the city where the casino will be located.
- 4 (2) A city shall not certify or submit and have pending before
- 5 the board more than 3 certified development agreements. If an
- 6 applicant is denied a casino license by the board, the city may
- 7 then certify a development agreement with another applicant and
- 8 submit the certified development agreement to the board. Nothing in
- 9 this act shall be construed to prevent PREVENTS the city from
- 10 entering into more than 3 development agreements.
- 11 (3) No THE BOARD SHALL NOT ISSUE more than three (3) 3
- 12 licenses shall be issued by the board in any city. A THE BOARD
- 13 SHALL NOT ISSUE A license shall not be issued for a casino to be
- 14 located on land held in trust by the United States for a federally
- 15 recognized Indian tribe. In evaluating the eligibility and
- 16 suitability of all applicants under the standards provided in this
- 17 act, the board shall establish and apply the standards to all
- 18 applicants in a consistent and uniform manner. In the event that IF
- 19 more than three (3)-3 applicants meet the standards for eligibility
- 20 and suitability provided for in subsections (4) and (5), THE BOARD
- 21 SHALL FIRST ISSUE licenses shall first be issued to those eligible
- 22 and suitable applicants which THAT submitted any casino gaming
- 23 proposal for voter approval prior to BEFORE January 1, 1995, in the
- 24 city in which the casino will be located and the voters approved
- 25 the proposal.
- 26 (4) An applicant is ineligible to receive a casino license if
- 27 any of the following circumstances exist:

- 1 (a) The applicant has been convicted of a felony under the
- 2 laws of this state, any other state, or the United States.
- 3 (b) The applicant has been convicted of a misdemeanor
- 4 involving gambling, theft, dishonesty, or fraud in any state or a
- 5 local ordinance in any state involving gambling, dishonesty, theft,
- 6 or fraud that substantially corresponds to a misdemeanor in that
- 7 state.
- 8 (c) The applicant has submitted an application for a license
- 9 under this act that contains false information.
- 10 (d) The applicant is a member of the board.
- 11 (e) The applicant fails to demonstrate the applicant's ability
- 12 to maintain adequate liability and casualty insurance for its
- 13 proposed casino.
- 14 (f) The applicant holds an elective office of a governmental
- 15 unit of this state, another state, or the federal government, or is
- 16 a member of or employed by a gaming regulatory body of a
- 17 governmental unit in this state, another state, or the federal
- 18 government, or is employed by a governmental unit of this state.
- 19 This section does not apply to an elected officer of or employee of
- 20 a federally recognized Indian tribe or to an elected precinct
- 21 delegate.
- (g) The applicant or affiliate owns more than a 10% ownership
- 23 interest in any entity holding a casino license issued under this
- 24 act.
- 25 (h) The board concludes that the applicant lacks the requisite
- 26 suitability as to integrity, moral character, and reputation;
- 27 personal and business probity; financial ability and experience;

- 1 responsibility; or means to develop, construct, operate, or
- 2 maintain the casino proposed in the certified development
- 3 agreement.
- 4 (i) The applicant fails to meet other criteria considered
- 5 appropriate by the board. The criteria considered appropriate by
- 6 the board shall MUST not be arbitrary, capricious, or contradictory
- 7 to the expressed provisions of this act.
- **8** (5) In determining whether to grant a casino license to an
- 9 applicant, the board shall also consider all of the following:
- 10 (a) The integrity, moral character, and reputation; personal
- 11 and business probity; financial ability and experience; and
- 12 responsibility of the applicant and of any other person or means to
- 13 develop, construct, operate, or maintain a casino that either:
- 14 (i) Controls, directly or indirectly, the applicant.
- 15 (ii) Is controlled, directly or indirectly, by the applicant
- 16 or by a person who controls, directly or indirectly, the applicant.
- 17 (b) The prospective total revenue to be derived by the state
- 18 from the conduct of casino gambling.
- 19 (c) The financial ability of the applicant to purchase and
- 20 maintain adequate liability and casualty insurance and to provide
- 21 an adequate surety bond.
- (d) The sources and total amount of the applicant's
- 23 capitalization to develop, construct, maintain, and operate the
- 24 proposed casino.
- 25 (e) Whether the applicant has adequate capitalization to
- 26 develop, construct, maintain, and operate for the duration of a
- 27 license the proposed casino in accordance with the requirements of

- 1 this act and rules promulgated by the board and to responsibly pay
- 2 off its secured and unsecured debts in accordance with its
- 3 financing agreement and other contractual obligations.
- 4 (f) The extent and adequacy of any compulsive gambling
- 5 programs that the applicant will adopt and implement if licensed.
- **6** (g) The past and present compliance of the applicant and its
- 7 affiliates or affiliated companies with casino or casino-related
- 8 licensing requirements, casino-related agreements, or compacts with
- 9 the state of Michigan THIS STATE or any other jurisdiction.
- (h) Whether the applicant has been indicted, charged,
- 11 arrested, convicted, pleaded guilty or nolo contendere, forfeited
- 12 bail concerning, or had expunged any criminal offense under the
- 13 laws of any jurisdiction, either felony or misdemeanor, not
- 14 including traffic violations, regardless of whether the offense has
- 15 been expunged, pardoned, or reversed on appeal or otherwise.
- 16 (i) Whether the applicant has filed, or had filed against it,
- 17 a proceeding for bankruptcy or has ever been involved in any formal
- 18 process to adjust, defer, suspend, or otherwise work out the
- 19 payment of any debt.
- 20 (j) Whether the applicant has been served with a complaint or
- 21 other notice filed with any public body regarding a payment of any
- 22 tax required under federal, state, or local law that has been
- 23 delinquent for 1 YEAR or more. years.
- 24 (k) The applicant has a history of noncompliance with the
- 25 casino licensing requirements of any jurisdiction.
- **26** (*l*) The applicant has a history of noncompliance with any
- 27 regulatory requirements in this state or any other jurisdiction.

- (m) Whether at the time of application the applicant is a
 defendant in litigation involving its business practices.
- 3 (n) Whether awarding a license to an applicant would undermine
- 4 the public's confidence in the Michigan gaming industry IN THIS
- 5 STATE.
- **6** (o) Whether the applicant meets other standards for the
- 7 issuance of ISSUING a casino license which THAT the board may
- 8 promulgate by rule. The rules promulgated under this subdivision
- 9 shall MUST not be arbitrary, capricious, or contradictory to the
- 10 expressed provisions of this act.
- 11 (6) Each applicant shall MUST submit with its application, on
- 12 forms provided by the board, a photograph and 2 sets of
- 13 fingerprints for each person having a greater than 1% direct or
- 14 indirect pecuniary interest in the casino, and each person who is
- 15 an officer, director, or managerial employee of the applicant.
- 16 (7) The board shall review all applications for casino
- 17 licenses and shall inform each applicant of the board's decision.
- 18 Prior to BEFORE rendering its decision, the board shall provide a
- 19 public investigative hearing at which the applicant for a license
- 20 shall have HAS the opportunity to present testimony and evidence to
- 21 establish its suitability for a casino license. Other testimony and
- 22 evidence may be presented at the hearing, but the board's decision
- 23 shall MUST be based on the whole record before the board and is not
- 24 limited to testimony and evidence submitted at the public
- 25 investigative hearing.
- 26 (8) A license shall be IS issued for a 1-year period. All
- 27 licenses are renewable annually upon payment of the license fee and

- 1 upon the transmittal to the board of an annual report to include
- 2 information required under rules promulgated by the board.
- 3 (9) All applicants and licensees shall MUST consent to
- 4 inspections, searches, and seizures and the providing of
- 5 handwriting exemplar, fingerprints, photographs, and information as
- 6 authorized in this act and in rules promulgated by the board.
- 7 (10) Applicants and licensees shall be ARE under a continuing
- 8 duty to provide information requested by the board and to cooperate
- 9 in any investigation, inquiry, or hearing conducted by the board.
- 10 (11) Failure to provide information requested by the board to
- 11 assist in any investigation, inquiry, or hearing of the board, or
- 12 failure to comply with this act or rules promulgated by the board,
- 13 may result in denial, suspension, or, upon reasonable notice,
- 14 revocation of a license.
- 15 Sec. 6a. (1) If in the review of an application submitted
- 16 under this act the board identifies a deficiency that would require
- 17 denial, the board shall notify GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE
- 18 DEFICIENCY TO the applicant and the city in writing of the
- 19 deficiency. WHICH THE CASINO IS OR IS PROPOSED TO BE LOCATED.
- 20 (2) The board shall provide the AN applicant a reasonable
- 21 period of time to correct the A deficiency.
- 22 Sec. 6c. (1) Unless the board determines that an institutional
- 23 investor may be found IS unqualified, an institutional investor
- 24 holding either under 10% of the equity securities or debt
- 25 securities of a casino licensee's affiliate or affiliated company
- 26 which THAT is related in any way to the financing of the casino
- 27 licensee, if the securities represent a percentage of the

- 1 outstanding debt of the affiliate or affiliated company not
- 2 exceeding 20%, or a percentage of any issue of the outstanding debt
- 3 of the affiliate or affiliated company not exceeding 50%, shall be
- 4 granted a waiver of the eligibility and suitability requirements of
- 5 section 6 if such THOSE securities are those of a publicly traded
- 6 corporation and its holdings of such THOSE securities were
- 7 purchased for investment purposes only and, if requested by the
- 8 board, THE INVESTOR files with the board a certified statement that
- 9 it has no intention of influencing or affecting the affairs of the
- 10 issuer, the casino licensee, or its affiliate or affiliated
- 11 company.
- 12 (2) The board may grant a waiver under this section to an
- 13 institutional investor holding a higher percentage of securities as
- 14 allowed in subsection (1), upon a showing of good cause and if the
- 15 conditions specified in subsection (1) are met.
- 16 (3) An institutional investor granted a waiver under this
- 17 section that subsequently intends to influence or affect the
- 18 affairs of the issuer shall MUST provide notice to the board and
- 19 file an application for a determination of eligibility and
- 20 suitability before taking any action that may influence or affect
- 21 the affairs of the issuer.
- 22 (4) Notwithstanding any provisions of this act, an
- 23 institutional investor may vote on all matters that are put to the
- 24 vote of the outstanding security holders of the issuer.
- 25 (5) If an institutional investor changes its investment intent
- 26 or if the board finds that the institutional investor may be found
- 27 IS unqualified, no action other than divestiture of the security

- 1 holdings shall be taken until there has been compliance with this
- **2** act.
- 3 (6) The casino licensee or an affiliate or affiliated company
- 4 of the casino licensee shall immediately notify the board of any
- 5 information concerning an institutional investor holding its equity
- 6 or debt securities which THAT may impact the eliqibility and
- 7 suitability of the institutional investor for a waiver under this
- 8 section.
- 9 (7) If the board finds that an institutional investor holding
- 10 any security of an affiliate or affiliated company of a casino
- 11 licensee that is related in any way to the financing of the casino
- 12 licensee fails to comply with the requirements of this section, or
- 13 if at any time the board finds that, by reason of the extent or
- 14 nature of its holdings, an institutional investor is in a position
- 15 to exercise a substantial impact upon the controlling interests of
- 16 a casino licensee, the board may take any necessary action to
- 17 protect the public interest, including requiring this institutional
- 18 investor to satisfy the eligibility and suitability requirements
- 19 under section 6.
- 20 Sec. 7a. (1) The board may issue a supplier's license to a
- 21 person who applies for a license and pays a nonrefundable
- 22 application fee set by the board, if the board determines that the
- 23 applicant is eligible and suitable for a supplier's license and the
- 24 applicant pays a \$5,000.00 annual license fee. It is the burden of
- 25 the applicant to establish by clear and convincing evidence its
- 26 suitability as to integrity, moral character, and reputation;
- 27 personal and business probity; financial ability and experience;

- 1 responsibility; and other criteria considered appropriate by the
- 2 board. All applications shall MUST be made under oath.
- 3 (2) A person who holds a supplier's license is authorized to
- 4 sell or lease, and to contract to sell or lease, equipment and
- 5 supplies to any licensee involved in the ownership or management of
- 6 gambling operations.
- 7 (3) Gambling supplies and equipment shall MUST not be
- 8 distributed unless supplies and equipment conform to standards
- 9 adopted in rules promulgated by the board.
- 10 (4) An applicant is ineligible to receive a supplier's license
- 11 if any of the following circumstances exist:
- 12 (a) The applicant has been convicted of a felony under the
- 13 laws of this state, any other state, or the United States. THE
- 14 BOARD MAY, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, WAIVE THE REQUIREMENTS IN THIS
- 15 SUBDIVISION IF THE CONVICTION OCCURRED MORE THAN 10 YEARS BEFORE
- 16 THE APPLICANT APPLIES FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS SECTION AND THE
- 17 BOARD IS CONVINCED OF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 18 (i) THAT THE APPLICANT DOES NOT POSE A THREAT TO THE INTEGRITY
- 19 OF GAMING.
- 20 (ii) THAT THE APPLICANT OTHERWISE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 21 THIS SECTION.
- 22 (b) The applicant has been convicted of a misdemeanor
- 23 involving gambling, theft, fraud, or dishonesty in any state or a
- 24 local ordinance in any state involving gambling, dishonesty, theft,
- 25 or fraud that substantially corresponds to a misdemeanor in that
- 26 state. THE BOARD MAY, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, WAIVE THE
- 27 REQUIREMENTS IN THIS SUBDIVISION IF THE CONVICTION OCCURRED MORE

- 1 THAN 5 YEARS BEFORE THE APPLICANT APPLIES FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS
- 2 SECTION AND THE BOARD IS CONVINCED OF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 3 (i) THAT THE APPLICANT DOES NOT POSE A THREAT TO THE INTEGRITY
- 4 OF GAMING.
- 5 (ii) THAT THE APPLICANT OTHERWISE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 6 THIS SECTION.
- 7 (c) The applicant has submitted an application for license
- 8 under this act which THAT contains false information.
- 9 (d) The applicant is a member of the board.
- 10 (e) The applicant holds an elective office of a governmental
- 11 unit of this state, another state, or the federal government, or is
- 12 a member of or employed by a gaming regulatory body of a
- 13 governmental unit in this state, another state, or the federal
- 14 government, or is employed by a governmental unit of this state.
- 15 This subdivision does not apply to an elected officer of or
- 16 employee of a federally recognized Indian tribe or an elected
- 17 precinct delegate.
- 18 (f) The applicant owns more than a 10% ownership interest in
- 19 any entity holding a casino license issued under this act.
- 20 (g) The board concludes that the applicant lacks the requisite
- 21 suitability as to integrity, moral character, and reputation;
- 22 personal and business probity; financial ability and experience;
- 23 and responsibility.
- 24 (h) The applicant fails to meet other criteria considered
- 25 appropriate by the board. The BOARD SHALL NOT APPLY criteria
- 26 considered appropriate by the board shall not be THAT ARE
- 27 arbitrary, capricious, or contradictory to the expressed provisions

- 1 of this act.
- 2 (5) In determining whether to grant a supplier's license to an
- 3 applicant, the board shall consider all of the following:
- 4 (a) The applicant's past and present compliance with casino
- 5 licensing requirements of this state or any other jurisdiction
- 6 pertaining to casino gaming or any other regulated activities.
- 7 (b) The integrity, moral character, and reputation; personal
- 8 and business probity; financial ability and experience; and
- 9 responsibility of the applicant or an affiliate of the applicant.
- 10 (c) Whether the applicant has been indicted FOR, charged WITH,
- 11 arrested FOR, convicted OF, pleaded guilty or nolo contendere TO,
- 12 forfeited bail concerning, or had expunged any criminal offense
- 13 under the laws of any jurisdiction, either felony or misdemeanor,
- 14 not including traffic violations, regardless of whether the offense
- 15 has been expunged, pardoned, or reversed on appeal or otherwise.
- 16 (d) Whether the applicant has filed, or had filed against it,
- 17 a proceeding for bankruptcy or has ever been involved in any formal
- 18 process to adjust, defer, suspend, or otherwise work out the
- 19 payment of any debt.
- (e) Whether the applicant has been served with a complaint or
- 21 other notice filed with any public body regarding a payment of any
- 22 tax required under federal, state, or local law that has been
- 23 delinquent for 1 YEAR or more. years.
- 24 (f) Whether the applicant has a history of noncompliance with
- 25 the casino licensing requirements of any jurisdiction.
- 26 (g) Whether the applicant has a history of noncompliance with
- 27 any regulatory requirements in this state or any other

- 1 jurisdiction.
- 2 (h) Whether at the time of application the applicant is a
- 3 defendant in litigation involving its business practices.
- 4 (i) Whether awarding a license to an THE applicant would
- 5 undermine the public's confidence in the Michigan gaming industry
- 6 IN THIS STATE.
- 7 (j) Whether the applicant meets other standards for the
- 8 issuance of ISSUING a supplier's license that CONTAINED IN A RULE
- 9 PROMULGATED BY the board. may promulgate by rule. The rules
- 10 promulgated BOARD SHALL NOT PROMULGATE A RULE under this
- 11 subdivision shall not be THAT IS arbitrary, capricious, or
- 12 contradictory to the expressed provisions of this act.
- 13 (6) Any person, including a junket enterprise, that supplies
- 14 equipment, devices, supplies, or services to a licensed casino
- 15 shall first obtain a supplier's license. A supplier shall furnish
- 16 to the board a list of all equipment, devices, and supplies offered
- 17 for sale or lease to casino licensees licensed under this act.
- 18 (7) A supplier shall keep books and records of its business
- 19 activities with a casino operator, including its furnishing of
- 20 equipment, devices, supplies, and services to gambling operations
- 21 separate and distinct from any other business that the supplier
- 22 might operate. OPERATES. A supplier shall file a quarterly return
- 23 with the board listing all sales, leases, and services. A supplier
- 24 shall permanently affix its name to all its equipment, devices, and
- 25 supplies for gambling operations. Any supplier's equipment,
- 26 devices, or supplies that are used by any person in an unauthorized
- 27 gambling operation shall be ARE forfeited to the THIS state.

- (8) A casino licensee who owns its own equipment, devices, and
 supplies is not required to obtain a supplier's license.
- 3 (9) Any gambling equipment, devices, and supplies provided by
- 4 any licensed supplier may be either repaired in the casino or
- 5 removed from the casino to a licensed area.
- 6 (10) A SUPPLIER'S license shall be issued UNDER THIS SECTION
- 7 IS VALID for a 1-year period OF 1 YEAR FROM THE DATE THE LICENSE IS
- 8 ISSUED. All licenses are renewable annually upon payment of the
- 9 license fee and the transmittal to the board of an annual report to
- 10 include information required under rules promulgated by the board.
- 11 (11) All applicants and licensees shall MUST consent to
- 12 inspections, searches, and seizures provided for in section
- 4a(1)(c)(i) to (v) and to the disclosure to the board and its
- 14 agents of confidential records, including tax records, held by any
- 15 federal, state, or local agency, credit bureau, or financial
- 16 institution and to provide handwriting exemplars, photographs,
- 17 fingerprints, and information as authorized in this act and in
- 18 rules promulgated by the board.
- 19 (12) Applicants and licensees shall be under HAVE a continuing
- 20 duty to provide information requested by the board and to cooperate
- 21 in any investigation, inquiry, or hearing conducted by the board.
- 22 (13) Failure to provide information requested by the board to
- 23 assist in any investigation, inquiry, or hearing of the board, or
- 24 failure to comply with this act or rules promulgated by the board,
- 25 may result in denial, suspension, or, upon reasonable notice,
- 26 revocation of a license.

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