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A BILL

To amend sections 3770.21, 3772.01, 3772.03, and	1
3772.23 of the Revised Code to require the Ohio	2
Casino Control Commission and the State Lottery	3
Commission to adopt rules to limit the amount of	4
promotional gaming credits at casinos and video	5
lottery terminal facilities and to permit the	6
credits only under circumstances specified in	7
the rules.	8

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 3770.21, 3772.01, 3772.03, and	9
3772.23 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:	10
Sec. 3770.21. (A) As used in this section:	11
(1) "Video lottery terminal" means any electronic device	12
approved by the state lottery commission that provides immediate	13
prize determinations for participants on an electronic display	14
that is located at a facility owned by a holder of a permit as	15
defined in rule 3769-1-05 of the Administrative Code.	16
(2) "Video lottery terminal promotional gaming credit"	17
means a video lottery terminal game credit, discount, or other	18

similar item issued to a patron to enable the placement of, or 19 increase in, a wager at a video lottery terminal. 20 (3) "Video lottery terminal income" means credits played, 21 minus approved video lottery terminal promotional gaming 22 credits, minus video lottery prize awards. 23 (4) "Enhanced video lottery terminal" means any electronic 24 device approved by the state lottery commission that provides 25 immediate prize determinations for participants on an electronic 26 display that is located at a facility owned by a holder of a 27 permit as defined in rule 3769-1-05 of the Administrative Code 28 and that have displays that simulate card games, dice games, or 29 30 roulette. (B) The state lottery commission shall include, in 31 conjunction with the state racing commission, in any rules 32 adopted concerning video lottery terminals, the level of minimum 33 investments that must be made by video lottery terminal sales 34 agents in the buildings, fixtures, equipment, facilities-related 35 preparation, and grounds at the facilities, including temporary 36 facilities, in which the terminals will be located, along with 37 any standards and timetables for such investments. 38 (C) (1) AThe commission shall adopt rules that permit a 39 licensed video lottery sales agent may to provide not more than 40

five million dollars in video lottery terminal promotional 41 gaming credits per year to patrons for video lottery terminal 42 gaming under circumstances specified in the rules. Video lottery 43 terminal promotional gaming credits shall be subject to approval 44 by the director of the state lottery commission. The rules shall 45 limit video lottery terminal promotional gaming credits to a 46 licensed video lottery sales agent that has at least ninety per 47 cent of the number of video lottery terminals permitted under 48

rule 3770:2-6-01 of the Administrative Code installed and	49
operational at the facility and that have a video lottery	50
terminal revenue of at least one hundred sixty-five million	51
dollars per year. As used in this division, "video lottery	52
terminal revenue" means the total amount of money exchanged for	53
credits played, minus video lottery terminal promotional gaming	54
credits.	55
(2) The commission may permit a video lottery sales agent	56
that meets the criteria established in the rules adopted by the	57
commission under division (C)(1) of this section to install	58
enhanced video lottery terminals. Enhanced video lottery	59
terminals count toward the number of video lottery terminals	60
permitted under rule 3770:2-6-01 of the Administrative Code.	61
(D) Video lottery terminal sales agents shall develop	62
internal guidelines and controls for the purpose of giving	63
minority business enterprises the ability to compete for the	64
awarding of contracts to provide goods and services to those	65
sales agents. As used in this division, "minority business	66
enterprise" has the meaning defined in section 122.71 of the	67
Revised Code.	68
(E) No license or excise tax or fee not in effect on the	69
effective date of this section shall be assessed upon or	70
collected from a video lottery terminal sales agent by any	71
county, township, municipal corporation, school district, or	72
other political subdivision of the state that has authority to	73
assess or collect a tax or fee by reason of the video lottery	74
terminal related conduct authorized by section 3770.03 of the	75
Revised Code. This division does not prohibit the imposition of	76
taxes under Chapter 718. or 3769. of the Revised Code.	77

(F)(1) Any action asserting that this section or section

3770.03 of the Revised Code or any portion of those sections or 79 any rule adopted under those sections violates any provision of 80 the Ohio Constitution shall be brought in the court of common 81 pleas of Franklin county within ninety days after the effective 82 date of the amendment of this section by Am. Sub. H.B. 386 of 83 the 129th general assembly, June 11, 2012, or within ninety days 84 after the effective day of any rule, as applicable. 85

(2) Any claim asserting that any action taken by the governor or the lottery commission pursuant to those sections violates any provision of the Ohio Constitution or any provision of the Revised Code shall be brought in the court of common pleas of Franklin county within sixty days after the action is taken.

(3) Divisions (F)(1) and (2) of this section do not apply to any claim within the original jurisdiction of the supreme court or a court of appeals under Article IV of the Ohio Constitution.

(G) The court of common pleas of Franklin county shall 96 give any claim filed under division (F)(1) or (2) of this 97 section priority over all other civil cases before the court, 98 irrespective of position on the court's calendar, and shall make 99 a determination on the claim expeditiously. A court of appeals 100 shall give any appeal from a final order issued in a case 101 brought pursuant to division (F) of this section priority over 102 all other civil cases before the court, irrespective of position 103 on the court's calendar, and shall make a determination on the 104 appeal expeditiously. 105

Sec. 3772.01. As used in this chapter: 106

(A) "Applicant" means any person who applies to the

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commission for a license under this chapter.108(B) "Casino control commission fund" means the casino109control commission fund described in Section 6(C)(3)(d) of110Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money in which shall be used111to fund the commission and its related affairs.112(C) "Casino facility" means a casino facility as defined113

in Section 6(C)(9) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution. 114

(D) "Casino game" means any slot machine or table game as 115defined in this chapter. 116

(E) "Casino gaming" means any type of slot machine or 117 table game wagering, using money, casino credit, or any 118 representative of value, authorized in any of the states of 119 Indiana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia as of January 120 1, 2009, and includes slot machine and table game wagering 121 subsequently authorized by, but shall not be limited by, 122 subsequent restrictions placed on such wagering in such states. 123 "Casino gaming" does not include bingo, as authorized in Section 124 6 of Article XV, Ohio Constitution and conducted as of January 125 1, 2009, or horse racing where the pari-mutuel system of 126 wagering is conducted, as authorized under the laws of this 127 state as of January 1, 2009. 128

(F) "Casino gaming employee" means any employee of a
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casino operator or management company, but not a key employee,
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and as further defined in section 3772.131 of the Revised Code.
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(G) "Casino operator" means any person, trust,
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corporation, partnership, limited partnership, association,
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limited liability company, or other business enterprise that
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directly or indirectly holds an ownership or leasehold interest
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in a casino facility. "Casino operator" does not include an

agency of the state, any political subdivision of the state, any137person, trust, corporation, partnership, limited partnership,138association, limited liability company, or other business139enterprise that may have an interest in a casino facility, but140who is legally or contractually restricted from conducting141casino gaming.142

(H) "Central system" means a computer system that provides
the following functions related to casino gaming equipment used
in connection with casino gaming authorized under this chapter:
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security, auditing, data and information retrieval, and other
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purposes deemed necessary and authorized by the commission.

(I) "Cheat" means to alter the result of a casino game, 148 the element of chance, the operation of a machine used in a 149 casino game, or the method of selection of criteria that 150 determines (a) the result of the casino game, (b) the amount or 151 frequency of payment in a casino game, (c) the value of a 152 wagering instrument, or (d) the value of a wagering credit. 153 "Cheat" does not include an individual who, without the 154 assistance of another individual or without the use of a 155 physical aid or device of any kind, uses the individual's own 156 ability to keep track of the value of cards played and uses 157 predictions formed as a result of the tracking information in 158 the individual's playing and betting strategy. 159

(J) "Commission" means the Ohio casino control commission. 160

(K) "Gaming agent" means a peace officer employed by the
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commission that is vested with duties to enforce this chapter
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and conduct other investigations into the conduct of the casino
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gaming and the maintenance of the equipment that the commission
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considers necessary and proper and is in compliance with section
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109.77 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Gaming-related vendor" means any individual, 167 partnership, corporation, association, trust, or any other group 168 of individuals, however organized, who supplies gaming-related 169 equipment, goods, or services to a casino operator or management 170 company, that are directly related to or affect casino gaming 171 authorized under this chapter, including, but not limited to, 172 the manufacture, sale, distribution, or repair of slot machines 173 and table game equipment. 174

(M) "Holding company" means any corporation, firm,
partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company,
trust, or other form of business organization not a natural
person which directly or indirectly does any of the following:
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(1) Has the power or right to control a casino operator,
 management company, or gaming-related vendor license applicant
 or licensee;
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(2) Holds an ownership interest of five per cent or more,
as determined by the commission, in a casino operator,
management company, or gaming-related vendor license applicant
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or licensee;

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(N) "Initial investment" includes costs related to
demolition, engineering, architecture, design, site preparation,
construction, infrastructure improvements, land acquisition,
fixtures and equipment, insurance related to construction, and
leasehold improvements.

(O) "Institutional investor" means any of the following 195

entities owning five per cent or more, but less than fifteen per 196 cent, of an ownership interest in a casino facility, casino 197 operator, management company, or holding company: a corporation, 198 bank, insurance company, pension fund or pension fund trust, 199 retirement fund, including funds administered by a public 200 agency, employees' profit-sharing fund or employees' profit-201 sharing trust, any association engaged, as a substantial part of 202 its business or operations, in purchasing or holding securities, 203 including a hedge fund, mutual fund, or private equity fund, or 204 205 any trust in respect of which a bank is trustee or cotrustee, investment company registered under the "Investment Company Act 206 of 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq., collective investment trust 207 organized by banks under Part Nine of the Rules of the 208 Comptroller of the Currency, closed-end investment trust, 209 chartered or licensed life insurance company or property and 210 casualty insurance company, investment advisor registered under 211 the "Investment Advisors Act of 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80 b-1 et seq., 212 and such other persons as the commission may reasonably 213 determine to qualify as an institutional investor for reasons 214 consistent with this chapter, and that does not exercise control 215 over the affairs of a licensee and its ownership interest in a 216 licensee is for investment purposes only, as set forth in 217 division (E) of section 3772.10 of the Revised Code. 218

(P) "Key employee" means any executive, employee, or agent
of a casino operator or management company licensee having the
power to exercise significant influence over decisions
concerning any part of the operation of such licensee,
including:

(1) An officer, director, trustee, or partner of a person
that has applied for or holds a casino operator, management
company, or gaming-related vendor license or of a holding
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company that has control of a person that has applied for or 227 holds a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related 228 vendor license; 229

(2) A person that holds a direct or indirect ownership interest of more than one per cent in a person that has applied 231 for or holds a casino operator, management company, or gaming-232 related vendor license or holding company that has control of a 233 person that has applied for or holds a casino operator, 234 management company, or gaming-related vendor license; 235

(3) A managerial employee of a person that has applied for 236 or holds a casino operator or gaming-related vendor license in 237 Ohio, or a managerial employee of a holding company that has 238 control of a person that has applied for or holds a casino 239 operator or gaming-related vendor license in Ohio, who performs 240 the function of principal executive officer, principal operating 241 officer, principal accounting officer, or an equivalent officer 242 or other person the commission determines to have the power to 243 exercise significant influence over decisions concerning any 244 part of the operation of such licensee. 245

The commission shall determine whether an individual whose duties or status varies from those described in this division also is considered a key employee.

(Q) "Licensed casino operator" means a casino operator 249 that has been issued a license by the commission and that has 250 been certified annually by the commission to have paid all 251 applicable fees, taxes, and debts to the state. 252

(R) "Majority ownership interest" in a license or in a 253 casino facility, as the case may be, means ownership of more 254 than fifty per cent of such license or casino facility, as the 255

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case may be. For purposes of the foregoing, whether a majority 256 ownership interest is held in a license or in a casino facility, 257 as the case may be, shall be determined under the rules for 258 constructive ownership of stock provided in Treas. Reg. 1.409A-259 3(i) (5) (iii) as in effect on January 1, 2009. 260

(S) "Management company" means an organization retained by
a casino operator to manage a casino facility and provide
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services such as accounting, general administration,
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maintenance, recruitment, and other operational services.
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(T) "Ohio law enforcement training fund" means the state
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law enforcement training fund described in Section 6(C)(3)(f) of
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Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money in which shall be used
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to enhance public safety by providing additional training
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opportunities to the law enforcement community.

(U) "Person" includes, but is not limited to, an 270 individual or a combination of individuals; a sole 271 proprietorship, a firm, a company, a joint venture, a 272 partnership of any type, a joint-stock company, a corporation of 273 any type, a corporate subsidiary of any type, a limited 274 liability company, a business trust, or any other business 275 entity or organization; an assignee; a receiver; a trustee in 276 bankruptcy; an unincorporated association, club, society, or 277 other unincorporated entity or organization; entities that are 278 disregarded for federal income tax purposes; and any other 279 nongovernmental, artificial, legal entity that is capable of 280 engaging in business. 281

(V) "Problem casino gambling and addictions fund" means
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the state problem gambling and addictions fund described in
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Section 6(C)(3)(g) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money
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in which shall be used for treatment of problem gambling and
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substance abuse, and for related research.

(W) "Promotional gaming credit" means a slot machine or 287 table game credit, discount, or other similar item issued to a 288 patron to enable the placement of, or increase in, a wager at a 289 slot machine or table game as permitted in rules adopted by the 290 commission under division (D) (28) of section 3772.03 of the 291 Revised Code. 292

(X) "Slot machine" means any mechanical, electrical, or 293 other device or machine which, upon insertion of a coin, token, 294 ticket, or similar object, or upon payment of any consideration, 295 is available to play or operate, the play or operation of which, 296 whether by reason of the skill of the operator or application of 297 the element of chance, or both, makes individual prize 298 determinations for individual participants in cash, premiums, 299 merchandise, tokens, or any thing of value, whether the payoff 300 is made automatically from the machine or in any other manner, 301 but does not include any device that is a skill-based amusement 302 machine, as defined in section 2915.01 of the Revised Code. 303

(Y) "Table game" means any game played with cards, dice, 304 or any mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic device or 305 machine for money, casino credit, or any representative of 306 value. "Table game" does not include slot machines. 307

(Z) "Upfront license" means the first plenary license 308 issued to a casino operator. 309

(AA) "Voluntary exclusion program" means a program 310 provided by the commission that allows persons to voluntarily 311 exclude themselves from the gaming areas of facilities under the 312 jurisdiction of the commission by placing their name on a 313 voluntary exclusion list and following the procedures set forth 314

by the commission.	315
Sec. 3772.03. (A) To ensure the integrity of casino	316
gaming, the commission shall have authority to complete the	317
functions of licensing, regulating, investigating, and	318
penalizing casino operators, management companies, holding	319
companies, key employees, casino gaming employees, and gaming-	320
related vendors. The commission also shall have jurisdiction	321
over all persons participating in casino gaming authorized by	322
Section $6(C)$ of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, and this chapter.	323
(B) All rules adopted by the commission under this chapter	324
shall be adopted under procedures established in Chapter 119. of	325
the Revised Code. The commission may contract for the services	326
of experts and consultants to assist the commission in carrying	327
out its duties under this section.	328
(C) Within six months of September 10, 2010, the	329
commission shall adopt initial rules as are necessary for	330
completing the functions stated in division (A) of this section	331
and for addressing the subjects enumerated in division (D) of	332
this section.	333
(D) The commission shall adopt, and as advisable and	334
necessary shall amend or repeal, rules that include all of the	335
following:	336
(1) The prevention of practices detrimental to the public	337
interest;	338
(2) Prescribing the method of applying, and the form of	339
application, that an applicant for a license under this chapter	340
must follow as otherwise described in this chapter;	341
(3) Prescribing the information to be furnished by an	342
applicant or licensee as described in section 3772.11 of the	343

Revised Code;	344
(4) Describing the certification standards and duties of	345
an independent testing laboratory certified under section	346
3772.31 of the Revised Code and the relationship between the	347
commission, the laboratory, the gaming-related vendor, and the	348
casino operator;	349
(5) The minimum amount of insurance that must be	350
maintained by a casino operator, management company, holding	351
company, or gaming-related vendor;	352
(6) The approval process for a significant change in	353
ownership or transfer of control of a licensee as provided in	354
section 3772.091 of the Revised Code;	355
(7) The design of gaming supplies, devices, and equipment	356
to be distributed by gaming-related vendors;	357
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(b) The name of a person participating in the program 372shall be included on a list of persons excluded from all casino 373facilities. 374

(c) Except as provided by commission rule, no person who
 articipates in the program shall petition the commission for
 admittance into a casino facility.
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(d) The list of persons participating in the program and
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the personal information of those persons shall be confidential
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and shall only be disseminated by the commission to a casino
operator and the agents and employees of the casino operator for
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purposes of enforcement and to other entities, upon request of
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the participant and agreement by the commission.

(e) A casino operator shall make all reasonable attempts
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as determined by the commission to cease all direct marketing
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efforts to a person participating in the program.
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(f) A casino operator shall not cash the check of a person
participating in the program or extend credit to the person in
any manner. However, the program shall not exclude a casino
operator from seeking the payment of a debt accrued by a person
before participating in the program.

(g) Any and all locations at which a person may registeras a participant in the program shall be published.393

(11) Requiring the commission to adopt standards regarding
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the marketing materials of a licensed casino operator, including
allowing the commission to prohibit marketing materials that are
contrary to the adopted standards;
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(12) Requiring that the records, including financial
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 statements, of any casino operator, management company, holding
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 company, and gaming-related vendor be maintained in the manner
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prescribed by the commission and made available for inspection 401 upon demand by the commission, but shall be subject to section 402 3772.16 of the Revised Code; 403

(13) Permitting a licensed casino operator, management
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company, key employee, or casino gaming employee to question a
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person suspected of violating this chapter;
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(14) The chips, tokens, tickets, electronic cards, or
similar objects that may be purchased by means of an agreement
under which credit is extended to a wagerer by a casino
operator;

(15) Establishing standards for provisional key employee 411 licenses for a person who is required to be licensed as a key 412 employee and is in exigent circumstances and standards for 413 provisional licenses for casino gaming employees who submit 414 complete applications and are compliant under an instant 415 background check. A provisional license shall be valid not 416 longer than three months. A provisional license may be renewed 417 one time, at the commission's discretion, for an additional 418 three months. In establishing standards with regard to instant 419 background checks the commission shall take notice of criminal 420 records checks as they are conducted under section 311.41 of the 421 Revised Code using electronic fingerprint reading devices. 422

(16) Establishing approval procedures for third-party
engineering or accounting firms, as described in section 3772.09
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of the Revised Code;
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(17) Prescribing the manner in which winnings,
compensation from casino gaming, and gross revenue must be
computed and reported by a licensee as described in Chapter
5753. of the Revised Code;

(18) Prescribing conditions under which a licensee's
license may be suspended or revoked as described in section
3772.04 of the Revised Code;
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(19) Prescribing the manner and procedure of all hearingsto be conducted by the commission or by any hearing examiner;434

(20) Prescribing technical standards and requirements that 435 are to be met by security and surveillance equipment that is 436 used at and standards and requirements to be met by personnel 437 who are employed at casino facilities, and standards and 438 requirements for the provision of security at and surveillance 439 of casino facilities; 440

(21) Prescribing requirements for a casino operator to
provide unarmed security services at a casino facility by
licensed casino employees, and the training that shall be
completed by these employees;

(22) Prescribing standards according to which casino 445 operators shall keep accounts and standards according to which 446 casino accounts shall be audited, and establish means of 447 assisting the tax commissioner in levying and collecting the 448 gross casino revenue tax levied under section 5753.02 of the 449 Revised Code; 450

(23) Defining penalties for violation of commission rules
and a process for imposing such penalties subject to the review
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of the joint committee on gaming and wagering;
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(24) Establishing standards for decertifying contractors
that violate statutes or rules of this state or the federal
government;
(25) Establishing standards for the repair of casino
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gaming equipment;

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(26) Establishing procedures to ensure that casino
operators, management companies, and holding companies are
compliant with the compulsive and problem gambling plan
submitted under section 3772.18 of the Revised Code;

(27) Prescribing, for institutional investors in or 463 holding companies of a casino operator, management company, 464 holding company, or gaming-related vendor that fall below the 465 threshold needed to be considered an institutional investor or a 466 holding company, standards regarding what any employees, 467 468 members, or owners of those investors or holding companies may do and shall not do in relation to casino facilities and casino 469 gaming in this state, which standards shall rationally relate to 470 the need to proscribe conduct that is inconsistent with passive 471 institutional investment status; 472

(28) Permitting a casino operator or management company to 473 provide not more than five million dollars in promotional gaming 474 credits to patrons per year under circumstances specified in the 475 rules. The rules shall limit promotional gaming credits to a 476 casino facility that has at least four thousand five hundred 477 slot machines or table game positions installed and operational 478 at the facility and that has casino revenue of at least three 479 480 hundred thirty million dollars per year. As used in this division, "casino revenue" means the total amount of money_ 481 exchanged for the purchase of chips, tokens, tickets, electronic 482 cards, or similar objects by casino patrons, minus promotional 483 gaming credits. 484

(29) Providing for any other thing necessary and proper 485 for successful and efficient regulation of casino gaming under 486 this chapter. 487

(E) The commission shall employ and assign gaming agents 488

as necessary to assist the commission in carrying out the duties 489 of this chapter. In order to maintain employment as a gaming 490 agent, the gaming agent shall successfully complete all 491 continuing training programs required by the commission and 492 shall not have been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest 493 to a disqualifying offense as defined in section 3772.07 of the 494 Revised Code. 495

(F) The commission, as a law enforcement agency, and its 496 gaming agents, as law enforcement officers as defined in section 497 2901.01 of the Revised Code, shall have authority with regard to 498 the detection and investigation of, the seizure of evidence 499 allegedly relating to, and the apprehension and arrest of 500 persons allegedly committing gaming offenses, and shall have 501 access to casino facilities to carry out the requirements of 502 this chapter. 503

(G) The commission may eject or exclude or authorize the
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 ejection or exclusion of and a gaming agent may eject a person
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 from a casino facility for any of the following reasons:
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(1) The person's name is on the list of persons
voluntarily excluding themselves from all casinos in a program
stablished according to rules adopted by the commission;
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(2) The person violates or conspires to violate this510chapter or a rule adopted thereunder; or511

(3) The commission determines that the person's conduct or
reputation is such that the person's presence within a casino
facility may call into question the honesty and integrity of the
casino gaming operations or interfere with the orderly conduct
of the casino gaming operations.

(H) A person, other than a person participating in a 517

voluntary exclusion program, may petition the commission for a 518 public hearing on the person's ejection or exclusion under this 519 chapter. 520

(I) A casino operator or management company shall have the
 same authority to eject or exclude a person from the management
 company's casino facilities as authorized in division (G) of
 this section. The licensee shall immediately notify the
 commission of an ejection or exclusion.

(J) The commission shall submit a written annual report
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with the governor, president and minority leader of the senate,
speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives, and
joint committee on gaming and wagering before the first day of
September each year. The annual report shall cover the previous
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fiscal year and shall include all of the following:

(1) A statement describing the receipts and disbursementsof the commission;

(2) Relevant financial data regarding casino gaming,
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 including gross revenues and disbursements made under this
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(3) Actions taken by the commission; 537

(4) An update on casino operators', management companies', 538
and holding companies' compulsive and problem gambling plans and 539
the voluntary exclusion program and list; 540

(5) Information regarding prosecutions for conduct
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described in division (H) of section 3772.99 of the Revised
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Code, including, but not limited to, the total number of
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prosecutions commenced and the name of each person prosecuted;
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(6) Any additional information that the commission 545

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considers useful or that the governor, president or minority 546 leader of the senate, speaker or minority leader of the house of 547 representatives, or joint committee on gaming and wagering 548 requests. 549

(K) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, beginning on
July 1, 2011, the commission shall assume jurisdiction over and
oversee the regulation of skill-based amusement machines as is
provided in the law of this state.

Sec. 3772.23. (A) All tokens, chips, or electronic cards 554 that are used to make wagers shall be purchased from the casino 555 operator or management company while at a casino facility that 556 has been approved by the commission. Chips, tokens, tickets, 557 electronic cards, or similar objects may be used while at the 558 casino facility only for the purpose of making wagers on casino 559 games. 560

(B) Casino operators and management companies may provide 561
 promotional gaming credits to their patrons. Promotional gaming 562
 credits shall be subject to oversight by the commission. 563

(C)—Casino operators and management companies shall not do 564 any of the following: 565

(1) Obtain a license to operate a check-cashing businessunder sections 1315.01 to 1315.30 of the Revised Code;567

(2) Obtain a license to provide loans under sections1321.01 to 1321.19 of the Revised Code;569

(3) Obtain a license to provide loans under sections5701321.35 to 1321.48 of the Revised Code.571

 Section 2. That existing sections 3770.21, 3772.01,
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 3772.03, and 3772.23 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.
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