



Bill Snapshot

CS/SB 8: Gaming

CS/SB 8 (previously HB 7037) on Gaming prospectively approves a new Seminole Compact that is based on the current 2010 Compact, with certain changes. The bill also amends current state gambling laws to limit gambling.

Ratification of the Compact

- Guarantees approval from Legislature if a signed compact is identical to the compact in the bill.

Term of the Compact

- Flat 20-year term; no extensions; automatically expires.

Effects on Gambling

- No new gambling authorized anywhere.
- Tribe keeps blackjack for 20 years at existing 5 facilities.
- Limits Florida Lottery from expanding game types.

Effects on Revenue Sharing

- Tribe continues to pay \$19.5 million a month until new Compact is finalized.
- Guaranteed \$3 billion paid to the state over the first 7 years of new Compact term.
- Revenue sharing would increase from about \$250 million a year to an average of over \$400 million a year.
- Requires all state Compact Revenue to go to education.

Effects on Pari-Mutuel/Cardrooms/Slots

- Makes designated player/player banked games illegal.
- Limits slot machines to current locations.
- Revokes permits from those who haven't operated or paid taxes in two years.
- Prohibits new permits or relocating gambling facilities.

LAST SEEN:

HB 7037 was substituted for CS/SB 8 and passed the House as amended on April 5, 2017

Sponsor:
Chairman La Rosa

CURRENT STATUS:

Senate agreed to House request for conference

HEADED TO:

Conference