

Title 68 Indiana Gaming Commission

Notice of Public Hearing

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Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that the Indiana Gaming Commission (“Commission”) will hold a public hearing on June 16, 2009 on a proposed rule regarding gaming device and equipment testing. The hearing will be held in the executive conference room of the Indiana Gaming Commission, 101 West Washington Street, Suite 1600, East Tower, Indianapolis, Indiana at 1:00 p.m.

The Commission has the authority under IC 4-33-4-2, IC 4-33-4-3, IC 4-35-4-2, and IC 4-35-4-3 to promulgate rules regarding the conduct and integrity of gaming in Indiana casinos. The proposed rule amends 68 IAC 2-6-2 to replace the term “riverboat” with “casino”, eliminate obsolete “token acceptors” as requiring testing, and establish clearer guidelines for casino and supplier licensees to follow regarding testing of any gaming devices or equipment; amends 68 IAC 2-6-3 to authorize multiple independent gaming laboratories and establish guidelines for persons who submit gaming devices or equipment to an independent laboratory; and repeals 68 IAC 2-6-15 to eliminate requirements for obsolete equipment.

The proposed rule would require 13 regulated entities, i.e. casino licensees, to play a more active role in the process of testing gaming devices and equipment, which may result in minimal increased costs to the casinos for personnel training and time costs of adjusting to the casinos’ new responsibilities. As a result of the requirements that the proposed rule imposes, the Commission will be able to more efficiently monitor and restrict information flow from the test labs to the Commission, thus improving government efficiency. This rule will also more clearly articulate the standards and procedures for submission of gaming equipment to test labs, saving an estimated 6.5 to 8 man-hours per week now used to process irrelevant gaming equipment. The Commission relied on internal analysis in determining that the imposition of requirements is necessary.

Copies of the proposed rule and the Commission’s internal analysis justifying the requirements imposed by the proposed rule are now on file and open for public inspection and copying at the Indiana Gaming Commission, 101 West Washington Street, Suite 1600, East Tower, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204. Copies of the proposed rule are also available for public inspection and copying through the Legislative Services Agency, One North Capitol, Suite 325, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204.

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