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To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 573

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE DEADLINES FOR THE
2 PURPOSE OF REQUESTING THE DRAFTING, INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION
3 AND PASSAGE OF A BILL ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 97-33-52,
4 97-33-57, 97-33-61, 97-33-69, 97-33-73, 97-33-75, 97-33-107 AND
5 97-33-109, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE CHARITABLE
6 ORGANIZATIONS TO CONTRACT WITH A PERSON TO SUPERVISE THE CONDUCT
7 OF BINGO GAMES IF THE BACKGROUND OF SUCH PERSON HAS BEEN
8 INVESTIGATED AND APPROVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI GAMING COMMISSION; TO
9 GIVE THE GAMING COMMISSION THE AUTHORITY TO ALLOW THE PROCEEDS OF
10 BINGO GAMES TO BE USED TO PURCHASE, CONSTRUCT OR IMPROVE A
11 BUILDING, HALL OR OTHER FACILITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING A
12 BINGO GAME; TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF TIME FOR WHICH A BINGO LICENSE
13 MAY BE EFFECTIVE; TO PROVIDE THAT JUDICIAL REVIEW OF FINAL
14 DECISIONS OF THE GAMING COMMISSION FOR VIOLATIONS COMMITTED BY A
15 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION INDEPENDENT OF ITS BINGO OPERATIONS MAY BE
16 OBTAINED IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE CHARITY
17 IS DOMICILED; TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT PER SESSION THAT THE LICENSEE
18 MAY PAY TO PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE CONDUCT OF BINGO GAMES AND TO
19 PROVIDE THAT SUCH AMOUNT SHALL NOT APPLY TO COMPENSATION OF A
20 SUPERVISOR UNDER CONTRACT WITH A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION; TO
21 CLARIFY THE GAMING COMMISSION'S AUTHORITY TO INVESTIGATE
22 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN BINGO OPERATIONS; TO PROVIDE
23 THAT THE GAMING COMMISSION SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ORDER THE
24 IMMEDIATE CLOSURE OF BINGO OPERATIONS FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS OF
25 THE CHARITABLE BINGO LAW; TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR CERTAIN
26 VIOLATIONS OF THE CHARITABLE BINGO LAW; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF A
27 CERTAIN AMOUNT OF THE PROCEEDS OF BINGO OPERATIONS FOR PERSONAL
28 GAIN; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF THE PROCEEDS OF BINGO OPERATIONS TO
29 INFLUENCE ELECTIONS, OR TO INFLUENCE GOVERNMENTAL DECISIONS; TO
30 INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE FEES THAT THE GAMING COMMISSION MAY
31 ASSESS FOR PULL-TABS, ELECTRONIC BINGO MACHINES AND ELECTRONIC
32 PULL-TAB MACHINES; TO AUTHORIZE THE GAMING COMMISSION TO REQUIRE
33 THE PARTICIPATION OF ALL BINGO EMPLOYEES AND THE BOARD OF
34 DIRECTORS OF CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS IN CERTAIN TRAINING
35 PROGRAMS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES."

36 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE
37 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That the Joint Rules
38 of the Senate and the House are hereby suspended for the purpose
39 of requesting the drafting, introduction, consideration and
40 passage, regardless of any deadlines imposed by said rules, of a
41 bill entitled "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 97-33-52, 97-33-57,
42 97-33-61, 97-33-69, 97-33-73, 97-33-75, 97-33-107 AND 97-33-109,

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