

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to Seminole gaming compact ratification;  
 3           creating s. 285.712, F.S.; providing that a gaming compact  
 4           between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of  
 5           Florida executed by the Governor is ratified and approved;  
 6           directing the Governor to cooperate with the Seminole  
 7           Tribe in seeking approval of the compact from the U.S.  
 8           Secretary of the Interior; providing for legislative  
 9           approval of amendments; directing the Governor to preserve  
 10          documents relating to the intent or interpretation of the  
 11          compact; authorizing certain games to be conducted by the  
 12          Seminole Tribe; providing that it is not a crime to  
 13          participate in such games; repealing ss. 285.710 and  
 14          285.711, F.S., relating to a gaming compact between the  
 15          Seminole Tribe and the State of Florida; providing an  
 16          effective date.

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 18 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 20           Section 1. Section 285.712, Florida Statutes, is created  
 21           to read:

22           285.712 Gaming compact authorization.—

23           (1) The gaming compact between the Seminole Tribe of  
 24           Florida and the State of Florida executed by the Governor on  
 25           behalf of the state and submitted to the Legislature for  
 26           approval on August 31, 2009, is hereby ratified and approved.  
 27           The Governor shall cooperate with the Seminole Tribe in seeking  
 28           approval of the compact from the United States Secretary of the  
 29           Interior.

30 (2) Any amendment to the compact shall require  
31 ratification by the Legislature.

32 (3) The Governor shall provide a copy of any amendment to  
33 the compact to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of  
34 the House of Representatives as soon as it is executed and  
35 before its submission to the United States Department of the  
36 Interior. Amendments shall not be submitted to the United States  
37 Department of the Interior for approval until ratification by  
38 the Legislature has occurred.

39 (4) The Governor shall preserve all documents, if any,  
40 that relate to the intent or interpretation of the compact and  
41 shall maintain such documents for at least the term of the  
42 compact.

43 (5) For the purpose of satisfying the requirement in 25  
44 U.S.C. s. 2710(d)(1)(B) that the gaming activities authorized  
45 under an Indian gaming compact must be permitted in the state  
46 for any purpose by any person, organization, or entity, the  
47 following Class III games or other games specified in this  
48 section are hereby authorized to be conducted by the Seminole  
49 Tribe of Florida pursuant to the compact approved in this  
50 section:

51 (a) Slot machines, as defined in s. 551.102(8).

52 (b) Games of poker without betting limits if such games  
53 are authorized in this state to any person for any purpose.

54 (c) Banking or banked card games, including baccarat,  
55 chemin de fer, and blackjack or 21.

56 (d) Raffles and drawings.

57 (6) Notwithstanding any other provision of state law, it  
58 is not a crime for a person to participate in the games

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59 specified in subsection (5) at a tribal facility operating under  
60 a compact entered into pursuant to this section.

61       Section 2. Sections 285.710 and 285.711, Florida Statutes,  
62 are repealed.

63       Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.