

AMENDMENTS TO LB 6

Introduced by Krist

1 1. Strike original section 3 and insert the following new
2 sections:

3 Sec. 3. (1) The Nebraska Commission on Problem Gambling
4 is created. For administrative purposes only, the commission shall
5 be within the division. The commission shall have nine members
6 appointed by the Governor as provided in this section, subject to
7 confirmation by a majority of the members of the Legislature. The
8 members of the commission shall have no pecuniary interest, either
9 directly or indirectly, in a contract with the program providing
10 services to problem gamblers and shall not be employed by the
11 commission or the Department of Revenue.

12 (2) By July 1, 2013, the Governor shall appoint members
13 of the commission as follows:

14 (a) One member from a list of at least four persons with
15 medical care or mental health expertise submitted by the General
16 Affairs Committee of the Legislature;

17 (b) One member from a list of at least four persons with
18 expertise in banking and finance submitted by the General Affairs
19 Committee of the Legislature;

20 (c) One member from a list of at least four persons with
21 legal expertise submitted by the General Affairs Committee of the
22 Legislature;

23 (d) One member from a list of at least four persons

1 with expertise in the field of education submitted by the General
2 Affairs Committee of the Legislature;

3 (e) One member from a list of four consumers of problem
4 gambling services submitted by the General Affairs Committee of the
5 Legislature;

6 (f) One member from a list of four consumers of problem
7 gambling services submitted by the General Affairs Committee of the
8 Legislature;

9 (g) One member from a list of at least four persons with
10 data analysis expertise submitted by the General Affairs Committee
11 of the Legislature;

12 (h) One member from a list of at least four persons
13 who are residents of the state and are representative of the
14 public at large submitted by the General Affairs Committee of the
15 Legislature; and

16 (i) One member from a list of at least four persons
17 who are residents of the state and are representative of the
18 public at large submitted by the General Affairs Committee of the
19 Legislature.

20 (3) The General Affairs Committee of the Legislature
21 shall hold a confirmation hearing for the appointees, and the
22 appointments shall be subject to confirmation by a majority of the
23 members of the Legislature, except that the initial members and
24 members appointed while the Legislature is not in session shall
25 serve until the next session of the Legislature, at which time
26 the General Affairs Committee shall hold a confirmation hearing for
27 such appointments and a majority of the members of the Legislature

1 shall approve or disapprove of the appointments.

2 (4) The terms of the members shall be for three years,
3 except that the Governor shall designate three of the initial
4 appointees to serve initial terms beginning on July 1, 2013, and
5 ending on March 1, 2014, three of the initial appointees to serve
6 initial terms beginning on July 1, 2013, and ending on March 1,
7 2015, and three of the initial appointees to serve initial terms
8 beginning on July 1, 2013, and ending on March 1, 2016. The
9 General Affairs Committee shall submit the list of four persons
10 for each position to be filled within thirty days after the
11 effective date of this act for initial appointments, within thirty
12 days after receiving notice of a vacancy, or by February 1 for
13 terms ending the following March 1. The Governor shall make the
14 applicable appointment within thirty days after receiving the list.
15 The Governor shall appoint members to fill vacancies in the same
16 manner as the initial appointments, and such appointees shall serve
17 for the remainder of the unexpired term.

18 (5) Beginning July 1, 2013, the commission shall adopt
19 bylaws governing its operation and the commission shall meet at
20 least four times each calendar year and may meet more often on
21 the call of the chairperson. Each member shall attend at least
22 two meetings each calendar year and shall be subject to removal
23 for failure to attend at least two meetings unless excused by
24 a majority of the members of the commission. Meetings of the
25 commission are subject to the Open Meetings Act.

26 Sec. 11. Sections 4 to 10, 12, and 13 of this act become
27 operative on July 1, 2013. The other sections of this act become

1 operative on their effective date.

2 Sec. 14. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
3 when passed and approved according to law.

4 2. On page 5, line 8; and page 8, lines 3 and 7 and 8,
5 strike "the effective date of this act" and insert "July 1, 2013,".

6 3. On page 7, line 15, strike "commission" and insert
7 "program, including travel".

8 4. On page 9, line 11, after "section" insert "and
9 providing administrative support for the Nebraska Commission on
10 Problem Gambling".

11 5. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.