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RULE PROPOSALS

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF GAMING ENFORCEMENT

48 N.J.R. 1903(a)

Proposed Amendment: *N.J.A.C. 13:69D-1.54*

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Gaming Operation Accounting Controls and Standards

Expiration of Cashier Generated Vouchers

Authorized By: David Rebeck, Director, Division of Gaming Enforcement.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 5:12-69.a, 69.e, 70.a and b, 99.a, and 100.b and f.

Calendar Reference: See Summary below for explanation of exception to calendar requirement.

Proposal Number: PRN 2016-152.

Submit written comments by November 18, 2016, to:

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The agency proposal follows:

Summary

Pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 13:69D-1.54*, Gaming vouchers; procedures for issuance and redemption; redemption of coupons through a gaming voucher system, a casino licensee may issue and redeem gaming vouchers at cashiering locations, slot machines, or electronic table games, if such games are connected to a computerized gaming voucher system approved by the Division. *N.J.A.C. 13:69D-1.54* also regulates that all gaming vouchers shall expire one year from the date of issuance, with the exception of cashier generated gaming vouchers. A casino licensee may restrict gaming voucher redemption locations based on specific voucher amounts, or after a specific amount of time in the casino licensee's [page=1904] internal controls, provided that adequate written notice of the restrictions is provided to the patrons.

The proposed amendment to *N.J.A.C. 13:69D-1.54(d)* includes cashier generated gaming vouchers under the rule that all gaming vouchers shall expire one year from the date of issuance, provided that nothing shall preclude casino licensees from restricting the gaming voucher redemption locations based on specific voucher amounts, or after a specific amount of time in the casino licensee's internal controls, provided that adequate written notice of the restrictions is provided to the patrons.

This notice of proposal is not required to be referenced in a rulemaking calendar since a public comment period of 60 days is being provided, pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 1:30-3.3(a)5*.

Social Impact

The proposed amendment should have no social impact.

Economic Impact

The proposed amendment should have minimal economic impact to the extent that it is not anticipated that a meaningful amount of impacted vouchers will reach expiration. Additionally, it is possible that if a casino does not comply with the requirements for the issuance and redemption of gaming vouchers as outlined in *N.J.A.C. 13:69D-1.54*, the casino licensee may be fined for regulatory non-compliance, however the impact of such action is also minimal.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because the proposed amendment is authorized by the provisions of the Casino Control Act, *N.J.S.A. 5:12-1* et seq., and is not subject to Federal law.

Jobs Impact

The proposed amendment will not have any impact on the generation or loss of jobs in the State of New Jersey.

Agriculture Industry Impact

The proposed amendment will have no impact on agriculture in New Jersey.

Regulatory Flexibility Statement

The proposed amendment will affect the operations of New Jersey casino licensees, none of which qualifies as a "small business" as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act, *N.J.S.A. 52:14B-16* et seq., therefore, no regulatory flexibility analysis is required.

Housing Affordability Impact Analysis

The proposed amendment will have no impact on the affordability of housing in the State of New Jersey because it affects the expiration of gaming vouchers in the State.

Smart Growth Development Impact Analysis

The proposed amendment will have no impact on housing production in Planning Areas 1 and 2, or within designated centers, under the State Development and Redevelopment Plan because it affects the expiration of gaming vouchers in the State.

Full text of the proposal follows (additions indicated in boldface **thus**; deletions indicated in brackets [thus]):

SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

13:69D-1.54 Gaming vouchers; procedures for issuance and redemption; redemption of coupons through a gaming voucher system

(a) -(c) (No change.)

(d) [With the exception of a cashier generated gaming voucher, a] **All** gaming vouchers shall expire one year from the date of [its] issuance; provided, however, that nothing shall preclude a casino licensee from restricting the redemption location for a gaming voucher after a specified period of time, above a specified value, or both, in accordance with internal controls, provided that adequate written notice explaining the restriction or restrictions is provided to patrons.

(e) -(l) (No change.)