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HOUSE BILL 1409

Short Title: Video Poker Registration & Enforcement Fee. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Goodwin and Baddour (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Finance.

April 26, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A PRIVILEGE LICENSE ON VIDEO GAMING
MACHINES TO RECOVER THE COSTS OF THE REGISTRATION PROCESS
AND THE COST OF ENFORCEMENT OF THE VIDEO GAMING STATUTES,
SO AS TO MAKE THE REGISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT SELF-
SUPPORTING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 2 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes is amended by
adding a new section to read:

"§ 105-37.3. Video gaming machines.

(a) Every person operating a video gaming machine in this State shall obtain from the Secretary a statewide license for that machine for the privilege of operating that machine. The tax for each license is two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per year.

(b) Counties and cities may not levy any license tax on the machine taxed under this section.

(c) The funds received under this section shall be remitted to the county finance officer of the county where the machine is located at the time of its licensing to be appropriated to the sheriff of that county and shall be used by the sheriff to pay the costs of administering G.S. 14-298, 14-306, 14-306.1, 14-306.2, and 14-309 and for any other law enforcement purpose. The county shall expend the restricted funds for these purposes only, and the funds shall not be used by the county to supplant any other funding for the sheriff's office."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2001.