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Initiative Petition Information Sheet

Title of Petition: Initiative Petition for a Law to Prohibit Casino Gambling

Petition Number: 13-09

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Optional:

Will the proponents propose a summary by the Monday, 5 days after the petition-filing deadline?

Unknown at this time

Will the proponents submit a memo of law by the Friday 9 days after the petition-filing deadline?

Unknown at this time

Please note that the above information will be made available to the public and particularly to possible opponents of certification. The Proponent and Proponents' Attorney (if any) will receive copies of any materials submitted by the public regarding certification.

(to be filled in by Attorney General's Office staff)

AGO Staff Person Receiving Petition: PS

Date: 8/7/13

INITIATIVE PETITION

The undersigned hereby submit the following proposed law for certification as to form and content pursuant to Section 3 of Part II of Amendment Article 48 of the Massachusetts Constitution:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ILLEGAL GAMING

Be it enacted by the people and their authority:

SECTION 1.

Section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out clause Tenth and inserting in place thereof the following clause:

“Tenth, ‘Illegal gaming,’ a banking or percentage game played with cards, dice, tiles or dominoes, or an electronic, electrical or mechanical device or machine for money, property, checks, credit or any representative of value, but excluding: (i) a lottery game conducted by the state lottery commission, under sections 24, 24A and 27 of chapter 10; (ii) pari-mutuel wagering on horse races under chapters 128A and 128C; (iii) a game of bingo conducted under chapter 271; and (iv) charitable gaming under said chapter 271.”

SECTION 2.

Chapter 23K of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following section 72 following section 71:

“Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter or any general or special law to the contrary, no illegal gaming as defined in section 7 of chapter 4 shall be conducted or permitted in this commonwealth and the commission is hereby prohibited from accepting or approving any application or request therefor.”

SECTION 3.

The several provisions of this Act are independent and severable and the invalidity, if any, of any part or feature thereof shall not affect or render the remainder of the Act invalid or inoperative.

Signatures: Each of the undersigned has personally reviewed the final text of this proposed law, and each of us fully subscribes to its contents, and each of us agrees to be one of its original signers.

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