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AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to video gaming machines and disposition of revenues

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Clause (H) of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph 1 of subdivision b of section 1612 of the tax law, as separately amended by chapters 174 and 175 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

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(H) notwithstanding clauses (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F) and (G) of this subparagraph, the track operator of a vendor track shall be eligible for a vendor's capital award of up to four percent of the total revenue wagered at the vendor track after payout for prizes pursuant to this chapter, which shall be used exclusively for capital project investments to improve the facilities of the vendor track which promote or encourage increased attendance at the video lottery gaming facility including, but not limited to hotels, other lodging facilities, entertainment facilities, retail facilities, dining facilities, arenas, parking garages and other improvements that enhance facility amenities; provided that such capital investments shall be approved by the division, in consultation with the state racing and wagering board, and that such vendor track demonstrates that such capital expenditures will increase patronage at such vendor track's facilities and increase the amount of revenue generated to support state education programs. The annual amount of such vendor's capital awards that a vendor track shall eligible to receive shall be limited to two million five hundred thousand dollars, except for Aqueduct racetrack, for which there shall

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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be no vendor's capital awards. Except for tracks having less than one thousand [one] NINE hundred video gaming machines, and except for a 3 vendor track located west of State Route 14 from Sodus Point to the Pennsylvania border within New York, each track operator shall be required to co-invest an amount of capital expenditure equal to its cumulative vendor's capital award. For all tracks, except for Aqueduct 5 6 7 racetrack, the amount of any vendor's capital award that is not used 8 during any one year period may be carried over into subsequent years 9 ending before April first, two thousand fourteen. Any amount attribut-10 able to a capital expenditure approved prior to April first, two thousand fourteen and completed before April first, two thousand sixteen; or 11 approved prior to April first, two thousand eighteen and completed 12 before April first, two thousand twenty for a vendor track located west 13 14 of State Route 14 from Sodus Point to the Pennsylvania border within New 15 York, shall be eligible to receive the vendor's capital award. In the event that a vendor track's capital expenditures, approved by the divi-16 sion prior to April first, two thousand fourteen and completed prior to 17 April first, two thousand sixteen, exceed the vendor track's cumulative 18 19 capital award during the five year period ending April first, two thou-20 sand fourteen, the vendor shall continue to receive the capital award after April first, two thousand fourteen until such approved capital 21 22 expenditures are paid to the vendor track subject to any required co-in-23 vestment. In no event shall any vendor track that receives a vendor fee pursuant to clause (F) or (G) of this subparagraph be eligible for a 24 25 vendor's capital award under this section. Any operator of a vendor 26 track which has received a vendor's capital award, choosing to divest the capital improvement toward which the award was applied, prior to the 27 full depreciation of the capital improvement in accordance with general-28 29 accepted accounting principles, shall reimburse the state in amounts equal to the total of any such awards. Any capital award not approved 30 for a capital expenditure at a video lottery gaming facility by April 31 32 first, two thousand fourteen shall be deposited into the state lottery 33 fund for education aid; and

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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