§ 1337. Gratuities. 1. It shall be unlawful for any casino key employee or boxman, floorman, or any other gaming employee who shall serve in a supervisory position to solicit or accept, and for any other gaming employee to solicit, any tip or gratuity from any player or patron at the gaming facility where he is employed.

2. A dealer may accept tips or gratuities from a patron at the table at which such dealer is conducting play, subject to the provisions of this section. All such tips or gratuities shall be immediately deposited in a lockbox reserved for that purpose, unless the tip or gratuity is authorized by a patron utilizing an automated wagering system approved by the commission. All tips or gratuities shall be accounted for, and placed in a pool for distribution pro rata among the dealers, with the distribution based upon the number of hours each dealer has worked, except that the commission may, by regulation, permit a separate pool to be established for dealers in the game of poker, or may permit tips or gratuities to be retained by individual dealers in the game of poker.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision one of this section, a gaming facility licensee may require that a percentage of the prize pool offered to participants pursuant to an authorized poker tournament be withheld for distribution to the tournament dealers as tips or gratuities as the commission by regulation may approve.