### FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5241

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# SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Making certain powers and duties of the gambling commission permissive.

SPONSORS: Senators Vognild, Newhouse, Moore and Prince

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR & COMMERCE

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

#### BACKGROUND:

The Gambling Commission is authorized to regulate and establish maximum limitations on the income derived from bingo. In addition, the commission may establish and regulate maximum limits on the salaries or wages paid to persons employed in connection with gambling activities conducted by bona fide charitable or nonprofit organizations and establish maximum limits for expenses incurred in connection with gambling activities conducted by charitable and nonprofit organizations.

Questions have been raised regarding whether the Gambling Commission's authority in these areas is mandatory or permissive.

## SUMMARY:

The Gambling Commission's authority to establish maximum limits on income derived from bingo, the compensation paid to persons employed in connection with gambling activities conducted by bona fide charitable or nonprofit organizations, and expenses incurred in connection with authorized gambling activities conducted by bona fide charitable and nonprofit organizations is deemed permissive and not mandatory.

### VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate 44 0 House 96 0 (House amended) Senate 43 0 (Senate concurred)

**EFFECTIVE:** June 1, 1993

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