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**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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2/11/2014 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Rankin (ch), Hutto, Bennett

4/2/2014 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 7](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\04-02-14.docx))

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4/8/2014 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 25](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\04-08-14.docx))

4/8/2014 Senate Roll call Ayes‑39 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 25](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\04-08-14.docx))

4/9/2014 Senate Read third time and sent to House ([Senate Journal‑page 35](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\04-09-14.docx))

4/10/2014 House Introduced and read first time

4/10/2014 House Referred to Committee on **Judiciary**

5/14/2014 House Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary** ([House Journal‑page 5](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-14-14.docx))

5/20/2014 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 55](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-20-14.docx))

5/20/2014 House Roll call Yeas‑70 Nays‑32 ([House Journal‑page 55](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-20-14.docx))

5/21/2014 House Read third time and enrolled ([House Journal‑page 6](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-21-14.docx))

5/29/2014 Ratified R 218

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**AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 16‑19‑60 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN SOCIAL TILES, CARDS, AND DICE GAMES ARE NOT UNLAWFUL UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

**Gambling and lotteries, certain social games of tiles, cards, and dice not unlawful under certain circumstances**

SECTION 1. Chapter 19, Title 16 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 16‑19‑60. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, it is not unlawful for persons who are members of a club or other social organization to gather for the purpose of engaging in games of tiles, cards, or dice including, but not limited to, canasta, mahjong, and bridge, where the games are played among members in a private residence, home, or community clubhouse or similar structure; no mechanical or electronic devices or machines of any kind, slot machines, pull tabs, punch boards, pull boards, or video games, devices, or machines of any kind are used or incorporated in any way; no person or entity of any kind receives any direct or indirect economic, financial, or monetary benefit of any kind; the host of the game or owner or lessee of the location in which the games are played does not receive any direct or indirect economic, financial, or monetary benefit of any kind; there is no betting, wagering, or gambling of any kind; a bona fide social relationship among the participants exists; and, except for the advantage of skill or luck, the risks of losing or winning are the same for all parties.”

**Time effective**

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 29th day of May, 2014.

Approved the 2nd day of June, 2014.

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