

## Session 112 - (1997-1998)

**S 0947 General Bill, By Ryberg, Alexander, Anderson, Bryan, Courson, Drummond, Fair, Giese, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Holland, Lander, Leatherman, Martin, McGill, O'Dell, Reese, Russell, J.V. Smith, Thomas, Waldrep and Wilson**  
***Similar (H 4577)***

A BILL TO AMEND SECTIONS 12-21-2710, AS AMENDED, 12-21-2712, 12-21-2720, AS AMENDED, AND 12-21-2726, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO COIN-OPERATED MACHINES OR DEVICES, SO AS TO EXTEND THE PROHIBITION ON SLOT MACHINES AND OTHER MACHINES OR DEVICES PERTAINING TO GAMES OF CHANCE TO VIDEO GAMES WITH A FREE PLAY FEATURE OR ANY OTHER COIN-OPERATED MACHINE OR DEVICE USED FOR GAMBLING, TO EXTEND THE SEIZURE AND DESTRUCTION PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO GAMES OF CHANCE TO THESE EXPANDED PROHIBITIONS, TO CONFORM EXISTING LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR COIN-OPERATED MACHINES AND DEVICES TO THESE EXPANDED PROHIBITIONS AND TO DELETE REFERENCES TO PROVISIONS OF LAW REPEALED BY THIS SECTION; TO AMEND SECTION 12-54-40, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO TAX CRIMES AND PENALTIES, SO AS TO DELETE THE OFFENSE OF OPERATING AN UNMETERED VIDEO GAME WITH A FREE PLAY FEATURE; TO AMEND SECTIONS 16-19-40 AND 16-19-50, RELATING TO THE OFFENSE OF GAMBLING, SO AS TO EXTEND THESE OFFENSES SPECIFICALLY TO PLAYING OR MAINTAINING ANY LICENSED COIN-OPERATED MACHINE OR DEVICE USED FOR GAMBLING PURPOSES; TO PROVIDE FOR A ONE-YEAR LICENSE PERIOD FOR VIDEO GAMES WITH A FREE PLAY FEATURE FOR LICENSES ISSUED FOR A PERIOD BEGINNING AFTER MAY 31, 1998, AT A FEE OF FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS; AND TO REPEAL SECTIONS 12-21-2703, 16-19-60, AND ARTICLE 20, CHAPTER 21 OF TITLE 12, RELATING RESPECTIVELY TO THE RETAIL LICENSE REQUIREMENT FOR A LOCATION WITH VIDEO GAMES WITH A FREE PLAY FEATURE, THE EXEMPTION OF VIDEO GAMES WITH A FREE PLAY FEATURE FROM THE GAMBLING OFFENSES, AND THE VIDEO GAMES MACHINES ACT.

<b>01/27/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time SJ-337</b>
<b>01/27/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Finance SJ-337</b>
<b>02/11/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Committee report: Majority favorable, minority unfavorable Finance SJ-9</b>
<b>03/05/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Set for special order- Chairman's Slot SJ-12</b>
<b>03/10/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Set for int. deb. on 3/24 at noon-after 4688 is disposed of SJ-33</b>
<b>03/24/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate interrupted SJ-35</b>
<b>03/25/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate interrupted SJ-18</b>
<b>03/26/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate interrupted SJ-1</b>
<b>03/27/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate interrupted SJ-17</b>
<b>03/31/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate interrupted SJ-26</b>
<b>04/01/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate interrupted SJ-22</b>
<b>04/02/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate interrupted SJ-40</b>
<b>04/07/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate interrupted SJ-16</b>
<b>04/08/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Adjourned debate until after budget or court decision SJ-35</b>
<b>05/12/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Debate adjourned SJ-18</b>