Reference:

Article X, Section 15

Ballot Title:

Casino Gambling Authorized Subject To County Option

Ballot Summary:

An amendment authorizing casino gambling in hotels of 500 rooms or more in counties where electors of a county have by initiative referendum approved casino gambling and the geographic boundaries for such casino gambling in their county; the legislature to enact such laws necessary to assure reasonable limitation, licensing, regulation and taxation of such casino gambling.

Full Text:

SECTION 15. CASINO GAMBLING AUTHORIZED

- (a) The conduct and operation of casino gambling is authorized as hereinafter provided.
- (b) Casino gambling shall be permitted only in a county where the electors of the county, pursuant to an initiative referendum, have authorized the conduct and operation of casino gambling. Said initiative referendum may limit the conduct and operation of casino gambling to geographic areas within the county. Nothing shall preclude the electors of a county from establishing additional geographic areas for casino gambling by subsequent referenda.
- (c) In any county where casino gambling has been approved as provided in subsection (b) above, such casino gambling shall only be conducted and operated at hotels with 500 or more sleeping units which have been licensed by state authority enacted pursuant to subsection (e) below.
- (d) The types of gambling permitted in a casino shall be baccarat, blackjack or twenty-one, craps, keno, poker, roulette, french roulette, and slot machines. Other types of gambling permitted in a casino may be authorized by general law.
- (e) Within the legislative session immediately following the adoption of this section, the legislature shall enact the laws necessary to assure reasonable limitation, licensing, regulation and taxation of casino gambling.