

SENATE FILE NO. SF0044

Gambling amendments.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; amending exceptions
2 to the offense of gambling; amending and creating
3 definitions; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-7-101(a)(iii)(intro), (E), (H) and
8 (ix) and by creating a new paragraph (xiv) is amended to
9 read:

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11 **6-7-101. Definitions.**

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13 (a) As used in this article:

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15 (iii) "Gambling" means risking any property for
16 gain contingent in whole or in part upon lot~~r~~ or chance~~r~~

1 ~~the operation of a~~ in any game played with cards, dice,
2 balls or on any gambling device or contingent on the
3 happening or outcome of an event, including a sporting
4 event, over which the person taking a risk has no control,
5 but does not include any of the following:

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7 (E) Any game, wager or transaction:—~~which~~
8 ~~is~~

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10 (I) Incidental to a bona fide social
11 relationship;~~r~~~~is~~

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13 (II) Participated in by natural
14 persons only;~~r~~and

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16 (III) Conducted in a private manner,
17 at a private place or at a business or fraternal
18 organization for which the primary source of revenue of the
19 business or fraternal organization is not derived from any
20 activity involving risking property for gain;

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22 (IV) Not advertised or otherwise open
23 to public participation; and

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2 (V) In which no person is
3 participating, directly or indirectly, in professional
4 gambling; receives any remuneration from facilitating,
5 participating in, hosting or organizing the game, wager or
6 transaction other than the direct realization of winnings.

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8 (H) Raffles conducted for charitable
9 purposes in which one hundred percent (100%) of the net
10 proceeds remaining after payment of all costs, supplies and
11 winnings are used for charitable purposes;

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13 (ix) "Profit" means benefit other than a gain,
14 which is realized or unrealized and direct, including
15 benefits from unequal advantage in a series of transactions
16 but does not include benefits of proprietorship or
17 management of a business wherein a game, wager or
18 transaction described in W.S. 6-7-101(a)(iii)(E) occurs any
19 financial gain;

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21 (xiv) "Bona fide social relationship" means a
22 genuine social relationship between two (2) or more persons
23 wherein each person has an established knowledge of the

1 other. "Bona fide social relationship" shall not include a
2 social relationship which has arisen for the purpose of
3 gambling.

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5 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2026.

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7 (END)