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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill directs the Gambling Control Board (board) to conduct a sports-themed tipboard pilot project. This language was included in the omnibus gaming policy bill passed by the House last session (H.F. 1801, third engrossment), but was removed during conference committee.

Section

1 Sports-themed tipboards.

Subdivision 1. Pilot project. Directs the board to conduct a sports-themed tipboard pilot project. Requires the pilot project to provide for operation procedures, internal control standards, posted information, records, reports, award of prizes, method of payout, wagers, determination of winners, and specifications of tipboards. Limits maximum prizes awarded to \$500 and limits the maximum price of each chance to \$10. Requires the board to select ten sites for sale of sports-themed tipboards, selected to achieve geographic balance. Makes the board responsible for all administrative costs associated with establishing the pilot project. Prohibits the board and the attorney general from using state funds to defend lawsuits challenging the projects. Forbids charitable organizations from using net proceeds of gambling for this purpose.

Subd. 2. Report. Requires a report to the legislature by February 15, 2007.

Subd. 3. Sunset. Provides that this section expires January 15, 2007.

