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# FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

		<b>ORIGINAL DATE</b>	2/27/19			
SPONSOR	HSEIC	LAST UPDATED		HB	331/HSEICS	

SHORT TITLE Gaming Machine Hours of Operation

ANALYST Glenn

SB

## ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY19	FY20	FY21	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	NFI	NFI	NFI			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

<u>Responses Received From</u> Gaming Control Board (GCB) Racing Commission (NMRC)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

The House State Government, Elections and Indian Affairs Committee Substitute for House Bill 331 amends the Gaming Control Act's provisions governing gaming machines located at racetracks. The bill updates specifications related to gaming machines by eliminating the reference to "house nonresettable mechanical" meters in Section 60-2E-44(D) of the Act. As amended, the provision requires a gaming machine to have electronic meters that record specified information in a locked area of a gaming machine.

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None noted.

### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

GCB notes that HB 331 updates requirements relating to gaming equipment by eliminating references to mechanical meters, which are not commonly used in new gaming machines. The bill institutionalizes use of modernized electronic meters, which have greater practical application and provide more useful and accurate information to the state.

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GCB also notes that the bill's elimination of the words "house nonresettable" in addition to "mechanical" ensures that the house retains the ability to reset the electronic meters, which is necessary for some forms of required maintenance or conversions.

According to GCB, the HSEIC Substitute for HB 331 addresses GCB's concerns with the original bill.

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