

SENATE BILL 227

Introduced by Yellowtail

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1 *Senate* BILL NO. *227*
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Yellowtail*
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A
 5 MANUFACTURER OR DISTRIBUTOR OF VIDEO GAMBLING MACHINES MAY
 6 NOT HAVE A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN MORE THAN 500 MACHINES
 7 THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR PLAY BY THE PUBLIC ON THE PREMISES OF
 8 LICENSED OPERATORS; AND AMENDING SECTION 23-5-625, MCA."

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 10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

11 **Section 1.** Section 23-5-625, MCA, is amended to read:

12 *23-5-625. Video gambling machine
 13 manufacturer-distributor -- machine ownership limit --
 14 license -- fees. (1) It is unlawful for any person to
 15 assemble, produce, manufacture, or supply any video gambling
 16 machine or associated equipment for use or play in the state
 17 without having first been issued a video gambling machine
 18 manufacturer-distributor's license by the department.

19 (2) The department shall charge an annual license fee
 20 of \$1,000 for the issuance or renewal of a video gambling
 21 machine manufacturer-distributor's license.

22 (3) In addition to other license fees, the department
 23 may charge the applicant a one-time video gambling machine
 24 manufacturer-distributor's license application processing
 25 fee. The processing fee may not exceed the department's

1 actual costs for processing an application.

2 (4) All video gambling machine
 3 manufacturer-distributor's licenses expire on June 30 of
 4 each year, and the license fee may not be prorated.

5 (5) The department shall retain the license and
 6 processing fees collected for purposes of administering this
 7 part, unless otherwise provided.

8 (6) A manufacturer or distributor may not have a
 9 beneficial interest in more than 500 video gambling machines
 10 that are available for play by the public on the premises of
 11 licensed operators."

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