

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Section 4-6-120 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

4-6-120 Automatic amusement operator.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this section:

"Automatic amusement device" means any machine, which, upon the insertion of a coin, slug, token, card or similar object, or upon any other payment method, may be operated by the public generally for use as a game, entertainment or amusement, whether or not registering a score, and includes, but is not limited to, such devices as jukeboxes, marble machines, pinball machines, movie and video booths or stands and all games, operations or transactions similar thereto under whatever name by which they may be indicated. Bingo devices are deemed gambling devices and are therefore prohibited for use except as provided by state law. If a machine consists of more than one game monitor which permits individuals to play separate games simultaneously, each separate game monitor shall be deemed an automatic amusement device. The term "automatic amusement device" shall not include a duly licensed video gaming terminal that is lawfully maintained and operated in accordance with the Video Gaming Act, 230 ILCS 40/1, et seq.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

SECTION 2. Section 4-156-150 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

4-156-150 Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

"Automatic amusement device" means any machine, which, upon the insertion of a coin, slug, token, card or similar object, or upon any other payment method, may be operated by the public generally for use as a game, entertainment or amusement, whether or not registering a score, and includes but is not limited to such devices as jukeboxes, marble machines, pinball machines, movie and video booths or stands and all games, operations or transactions similar thereto under whatever name by which they may be indicated. Bingo devices are deemed gambling devices and are therefore prohibited for use except as provided by state law. If a machine consists of more than one game monitor which permits individuals to play separate games simultaneously, each separate game monitor shall be deemed an automatic amusement device. An "automatic amusement device" does not include a machine used for lawful gambling at a casino, as that term is defined in 230 ILCS 10/4, or video gaming terminal.

"Illegal amusement device" means an automatic amusement device that: includes a knock-off circuit; or allows more than ten replays or free games, or maintains a count of payoffs or the number of times a person has won a game played on the device; or maintains a tally of players' scores other than the tally displayed to players; or fails to display in the required manner a tax emblem required by chapter; or has been used for illegal gambling. "Illegal amusement device" does not include a device that properly displays a required tax emblem, that is not used for illegal

gambling and that qualifies either as a crane game as defined in the Illinois Criminal Code of 1961 or as a redemption machine as defined in the Illinois Criminal Code. An automatic amusement device shall not be deemed an illegal automatic amusement device because of internal diagnostic devices or capabilities that are able to record and maintain statistical data such as the number of coins or tokens deposited, the number of games played or the number of games won, if such diagnostic devices or capabilities are intended and used exclusively for auditing of game performance. The term "illegal amusement device" shall not include a duly licensed video gaming terminal that is lawfully maintained and operated in accordance with the Video Gaming Act, 230 ILCS 40/1, et seq.

"Video gaming terminal" has the meaning described in the Video Gaming Act, 230 ILCS 40/1, et seq.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

SECTION 3. Section 4-156-450 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, and by deleting the language struck through, as follows:

4-156-450 Gambling.

It is unlawful for any licensee to conduct or permit any person to conduct any raffle, lottery or chance distribution of money, or article of value, or any gift enterprise or any form of gambling upon the licensed premises; provided, however, that nothing in this Section shall be construed to prohibit any conduct authorized by the Sports Wagering Act, 230 ILCS 45/25-1, et seq., or the Illinois Gambling Act, 230 ILCS 10/1, et seq., or the Video Gaming Act, 230 ILCS 40/1, et seq., each as in effect on February 26, 2025. ~~May 4, 2022.~~

SECTION 4. Section 8-12-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, and by deleting the language struck through, as follows:

8-12-010 Definitions.

No person shall play or engage in faro, roulette, or gambling for money or other valuable thing, or in any other device or game of chance, hazard, or skill, either as bookmaker, dealer, keeper, player, or otherwise, for the purpose of gaming or gambling for money or other valuable thing. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit any conduct authorized by the following statutes, each as in effect on February 26, 2025. ~~May 4, 2022:~~ the Illinois Lottery Law, the Illinois Horse Racing Act, the Raffles and Poker Runs Act, the Illinois Pull Tabs and Jar Games Act, the Bingo License and Tax Act, the Charitable Games Act, the Illinois Gambling Act, ~~or the Illinois Sports Wagering Act,~~ or the Video Gaming Act.

SECTION 5. This ordinance takes effect upon passage and publication.



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