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**HOUSE BILL 1475**

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**State of Washington 65th Legislature 2017 Regular Session**

**By** Representatives Irwin, Goodman, Hayes, Ryu, Kilduff, Holy, Klippert, Kirby, and Lovick; by request of Gambling Commission

AN ACT Relating to clarifying the limited authority of gambling commission officers; and adding a new section to chapter 9.46 RCW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 9.46 RCW to read as follows:

When physical injury to a person or substantial damage to property occurs, or is about to occur, within the presence of an officer of the commission designated with police powers pursuant to RCW 9.46.210, the designated officer is authorized to take such action as is reasonably necessary to prevent physical injury to a person or substantial damage to property or prevent further injury to a person or further substantial damage to property. A designated officer shall be immune from civil liability for damages arising out of the action of the designated officer to prevent physical injury to a person or substantial damage to property or prevent further injury to a person or further substantial damage to property, unless it is shown that the designated officer acted with gross negligence or bad faith.

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