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SENATE BILL 6004

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State of Washington                      52nd Legislature    1991 1st Special Session

By Senator Hayner.

Read first time June 25, 1991.

1            AN ACT Relating to compacts negotiated under the Indian Gaming  
2 Regulatory Act of 1988; adding new sections to chapter 9.46 RCW; and  
3 declaring an emergency.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9.46 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7            The joint legislative committee on Indian gaming compacts is  
8 created to review compacts negotiated under the Indian Gaming  
9 Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497. The committee consists of the majority  
10 and the minority leaders of the house of representatives, the majority  
11 and the minority leaders of the senate, and two members from each  
12 caucus in the house and the senate, appointed by the caucus leaders,  
13 all of whom shall be voting members. The committee shall elect a  
14 member from the senate and a member from the house of representatives  
15 as cochairs.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**    A new section is added to chapter 9.46 RCW  
2 to read as follows:

3        (1) Upon request of an Indian tribe as defined in P.L. 100-497, the  
4 gambling commission shall designate a negotiating team to implement  
5 P.L. 100-497, Sec.11(d)(3)(A) by negotiating with the tribe for the  
6 purpose of entering into a tribal-state compact. The commission shall  
7 be advised by the attorney general's office and shall consult with the  
8 governor, the state patrol, the lottery commission, the horse racing  
9 commission, and interested local governments during the course of  
10 negotiations.

11        (2) The commission shall conduct at least one public hearing and  
12 provide an opportunity for public comment on any proposed compact.  
13 Upon completion of the public hearing process and upon a majority vote  
14 of all of its members, the commission shall by single resolution either  
15 remand the proposal for further negotiations, or approve the proposal.  
16 If approved, the commission shall immediately forward the compact to  
17 the cochairs of the joint legislative committee on Indian gaming.

18        (3) Within thirty days of receipt of a compact from the gambling  
19 commission, the joint legislative committee on Indian gaming shall by  
20 majority vote of all of its members either (a) approve of the compact  
21 or (b) take action to submit the compact to the full legislature for  
22 consideration. If approved, the compact is effective the thirtieth day  
23 after approval. If the compact is rejected it shall be remanded to the  
24 commission for further negotiation. The resolution of remand shall set  
25 forth the specific issue that warrant further negotiation.

26        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 3.**        This act is necessary for the immediate  
27 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
28 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
29 effect immediately.