

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to the definition of the term "slot  
3 machine or device"; amending s. 849.16, F.S.; revising  
4 the definition of the term "slot machine or device";  
5 providing an effective date.

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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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9 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 849.16, Florida  
10 Statutes, is amended to read:

11 849.16 Machines or devices which come within provisions of  
12 law defined.—

13 (1) As used in this chapter, the term "slot machine or  
14 device" means any machine or device or system or network of  
15 devices that is adapted for use in such a way that, upon  
16 activation, which may be achieved by, but is not limited to, the  
17 insertion of any piece of money, coin, account number, code, or  
18 other object or information, such device or system is directly  
19 or indirectly caused to operate or may be operated and if the  
20 user, whether by application of skill or by reason of any  
21 element of chance or any other outcome unpredictable by the  
22 user, regardless of whether the machine or device or system or  
23 network of devices includes a preview of the outcome or whether  
24 the outcome is known, displayed, or capable of being known or  
25 displayed to the user, may:

26 (a) Receive or become entitled to receive any piece of  
27 money, credit, allowance, or thing of value; ~~or~~ any check,  
28 slug, token, or memorandum, whether of value or otherwise, which  
29 may be exchanged for any money, credit, allowance, or thing of  
30 value or which may be given in trade; or the opportunity to  
31 purchase a subsequently displayed outcome that may have a  
32 monetary value, regardless of whether such value is equal to,  
33 greater than, or less than the cost of purchasing such outcome;  
34 or

35 (b) Secure additional chances or rights to use such  
36 machine, apparatus, or device, even though the device or system  
37 may be available for free play or, in addition to any element of  
38 chance or unpredictable outcome of such operation, may also  
39 sell, deliver, or present some merchandise, indication of  
40 weight, entertainment, or other thing of value. The term "slot  
41 machine or device" includes, but is not limited to, devices  
42 regulated as slot machines pursuant to chapter 551.

43 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.