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HOUSE BILL 698

Short Title: Professional Gambling-Felony.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Privette.

Referred to: Judiciary III.

April 11, 1991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON OR GROUP OF PERSONS WHO
ENGAGE IN PROFESSIONAL GAMBLING SHALL BE GUILTY OF A CLASS
H FELONY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
section to read:

"§ 14-292.2. Professional gambling.

(a) 'Professional gambling' is the business or practice of unlawful gambling
by the use of cards, dice, or other gambling device with the purpose of winning money
or other property, or the maintenance or operation, either as owner or employee, of a
place for gambling. This activity shall include, but not be limited to: bookmaking;
sports betting; maintaining slot machines, roulette wheels, or gaming tables, in any
place; conducting lotteries or selling chances in lotteries; operating pyramid schemes;
and operating illegal bingo games.

(b) Whoever engages in professional gambling, or knowingly causes, aids,
abets, or conspires with another to engage in professional gambling shall be guilty of a
Class H felony."

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1991.