

Chairperson:	Brad Ashford
Committee:	Judiciary
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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 765 addresses the problem of bona fide amusement devices being misused for gambling purposes. This bill amends the definition of "gambling device" to clarify the distinction between a mechanical game of chance and a bona fide amusement device where success is based upon the skill of the operator. Prior to this, the definition did not contain a reference to the chance v. skill issue.

Furthermore, LB 765 adds restrictions on what such devices can award. The skill based devices cannot have an award value of greater than \$10 and cannot award a cash, alcohol, or tobacco prize, nor a prize that can be exchanged for cash, alcohol, or tobacco.

Additionally, LB 765 removes a portion of existing statute concerning the award of free replays which had previously been found unconstitutional.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Tony Fulton