

Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Ordinance Adopting a Lake County Video Gaming Ordinance.

- Public Act 96-34, Public Act 96-37, and Public Act 96-38 were approved on July 13, 2009 and comprise the provisions of the Video Gaming Act.
- The Act allows video gaming in licensed bars, restaurants, fraternal organizations and truck stops throughout the state.
- The Act provides that the Illinois Gaming Board has jurisdiction over and will supervise all gaming operations. A local government is not responsible for administering or enforcing the provisions of the Act.
- The Act establishes a 30% tax on gross terminal revenue, one sixth of which is distributed to the jurisdiction in which the terminal is located.
- The Act allows counties to regulate video gaming within its jurisdiction in accordance with the
 provisions of the statute. For the County, any regulation would only apply to the unincorporated areas
 of the County.
- The Lake County Board adopted an Ordinance Prohibiting Video Gaming within the Unincorporated Area of Lake County on October 13, 2009.
- The Ordinance presented for consideration would adopt a Lake County Video Gaming Ordinance.
- Concurrently, an Ordinance is presented to repeal the Ordinance that Prohibited Video Gaming Within the Unincorporated Area of Lake County.
- The Liquor Commissioner will present a separate Ordinance to the County Board amending the Liquor Control Ordinance to establish certain additional standards for liquor licensed establishments hosting video gaming terminals. The Liquor Control Ordinance amendment text is provided to the Committee for discussion purposes.

WHEREAS, Public Act 96-34 created the Illinois Video Gaming Act (the Act) and said Act was further amended by Public Act 96-37 and Public Act 96-38 and said Public Acts became law on July 13, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes video gaming and the operation of video terminals at licensed bars, restaurants, fraternal organizations, veterans organizations, and truck stops within the State of Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, the County Board adopted an Ordinance Prohibiting Video Gaming within the Unincorporated Area of Lake County on October 13, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Lake County Board to repeal the aforementioned Ordinance and regulate video gaming and the operation of video gaming terminals within the unincorporated area of Lake County as the County Board has determined that it is necessary, desirable, and in the best interest of the County to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the Lake County Video Gaming Ordinance is hereby adopted.

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DATED, at **WAUKEGAN**, **LAKE COUNTY**, **ILLINOIS**, on this 13th day of August, 2013.