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LEGISLATIVE BILL 582

Introduced by Spivey, 13.

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Committee: Revenue

1	A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act; to
2	amend section 81-3729, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and
3	section 77-3012, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to
4	change the amount of tax imposed on cash devices and how such
5	collected taxes are remitted; to change the revenue submitted to the
6	Nebraska Tourism Commission Promotional Cash Fund; to harmonize
7	provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original
8	sections.

9 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 77-3012, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
 2024, is amended to read:

3 77-3012 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5) of this 4 section, a tax is hereby imposed and levied, in the amount and in 5 accordance with this section, upon the net operating revenue of all cash 6 devices operating within the State of Nebraska for profit or gain either 7 directly or indirectly received. The tax shall be paid in the amount and 8 manner specified in this section.

9 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5) of this section, beginning on and after July 1, 2025, any distributor of a cash device, 10 and any operator of a cash device if the operator is not subject to a 11 revenue-sharing or other agreement with a distributor who is paying the 12 13 tax, shall pay a tax for each cash device in operation each calendar quarter during the taxable year. The tax shall be collected by the 14 department and due and payable on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 15 1 of each year on each cash device in operation during the preceding 16 17 calendar quarter. For each cash device put into operation on a date subsequent to a quarterly due date that has not been included in 18 19 computing the tax imposed and levied by the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act, the tax shall be due and payable on the immediately succeeding 20 21 quarterly due date.

(3) The amount of the tax imposed and levied under this section shall be <u>fifteen</u> five percent of the net operating revenue for each cash device. The quarterly tax shall be submitted on a form prescribed by the Tax Commissioner documenting the total gross and net operating revenue for that quarter.

(4) The Tax Commissioner shall remit the taxes collected pursuant tothis section to the State Treasurer for credit as follows:

(a) <u>Five</u> Twenty percent to the Charitable Gaming Operations Fund for
 enforcement of the act and maintenance of the central server;

31 (b) Two and one-half percent to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance

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1 Fund;

(c) <u>Twenty</u> Two and one-half percent to the General Fund;

3 (d) Forty-seven and one-half percent to the Education Future Fund
4 Ten percent to the Nebraska Tourism Commission Promotional Cash Fund;

5 (e) <u>Seventeen and one-half</u> Forty percent to the Property Tax Credit
6 Cash Fund; and

(f) The remaining seven and one-half twenty-five percent to the 7 county treasurer of the county in which the cash device is located to be 8 9 distributed as follows: (i) If the cash device is located completely 10 within an unincorporated area of a county, the remaining seven and onehalf twenty-five percent shall be distributed to the county in which the 11 cash device is located, or (ii) if the cash device is located within the 12 13 limits of a city or village in such county, one-half of the remaining seven and one-half twenty-five percent shall be distributed to such 14 county and one-half of the remaining seven and one-half twenty-five 15 percent shall be distributed to the city or village in which such cash 16 17 device is located.

(5) This section does not apply to cash devices operated by a
fraternal benefit society organized and licensed under sections 44-1072
to 44-10,109 or a recognized veterans organization as defined in section
80-401.01.

Sec. 2. Section 81-3729, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

24 81-3729 The Nebraska Tourism Commission Promotional Cash Fund is 25 hereby created. The fund shall consist of revenue submitted by vendors and retailers under section 81-3728 and revenue from the tax collected on 26 27 the net operating revenue of cash devices pursuant to section 77-3012. Revenue from the sale of advertising shall be remitted to the State 28 Treasurer for credit to the fund. The commission shall use the fund to 29 carry out its purposes under the Nebraska Visitors Development Act. Any 30 money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state 31

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investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.
 Sec. 3. This act becomes operative on October 1, 2025.

Sec. 4. Original section 81-3729, Reissue Revised Statutes of
Nebraska, and section 77-3012, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
2024, are repealed.