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Amend the amendment by striking out the substitute title and replacing it with the following:

**'An Act To Permit the Use of Electronic and Mechanical
Dispensers for Games of Chance Conducted by
Charitable Fraternal and Veterans' Organizations'**

Amend the amendment in section 1 in subsection 8 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 18 in amendment) by striking out the following: "veterans" and inserting the following: 'charitable'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in subsection 8 by striking out all of paragraph B (page 1, lines 26 to 31 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'B. "Qualified charitable organization" means an organization that:

(1) Is a fraternal beneficiary society, order or association exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c)(8), a domestic fraternal society, order or association exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c)(10) or a veterans' organization exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c)(19); and

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(2) As of September 1, 2012, has owned or leased for a minimum of 2 consecutive years the building that serves as the primary location of the organization's operations and where it conducts licensed games of chance.

SUMMARY

This amendment expands the type of charitable organizations that are permitted to operate electronic and mechanical ticket dispensers to include fraternal organizations that are tax exempt under the federal Internal Revenue Code as long as those fraternal organizations are licensed to operate a game of chance.