RESOLUTION 1993-3

A RESOLUTION

TO ESTABLISH INTERIM WRITTEN GUIDELINES
GOVERNING AN APPLICANT'S PAYMENT
OF THE COSTS OF A SPECIAL ELECTION
TO BE CONDUCTED ON NOVEMBER 2, 1993
CONCERNING WHETHER LICENSES
TO PERMIT RIVERBOAT GAMBLING
SHOULD BE ISSUED IN A CITY OR COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Indiana Gaming Commission ("the Commission") has the power and duty under IC 4-33-4-1 to fully and effectively execute IC 4-33 ("the Riverboat Gambling Law");

WHEREAS, the Commission has the power and duty to take any reasonable or appropriate action to enforce the Riverboat Gambling Law;

WHEREAS, the Commission is required under IC 4-33-4-5 to adopt standards for the licensing of persons regulated under the Riverboat Gambling Law;

WHEREAS, subject to the adopting of a docking ordinance by the appropriate local fiscal body or upon submission of a petition by the voters of a city or county as provided by Public Law 277-1993(ss), SECTIONS 133 and 134, an applicant for a license under the Riverboat Gambling Law is required to pay in advance the cost of any special election if an election is to be held on November 2, 1993 within a city or county on the local public question of permitting riverboat gambling in the city or county;

whereas, the Commission has been duly advised in this matter and finds that absentee ballots must be available no later than Sunday, October 3, 1993 for use in a city or county in which a special election will be conducted on November 2, 1993 and that the preparation of ballots and other election supplies by printers requires that county election administrators determine by approximately September 15, 1993 whether a special election will be conducted within that county on November 2, 1993;

WHEREAS, the Commission has been advised that the county election boards in certain counties in which a special election may be held in November 1993 have adopted orders or resolutions prescribing that an applicant must present payment to the county for the cost of the special election by September 10, 1993 or September 13, 1993;

WHEREAS, the Commission finds that prescribing a final date by which an applicant may make payment of the costs of a special election to a county will prevent confusion and disruption of the election process resulting from delayed or belated submissions and will maintain the public's confidence and trust in the Riverboat Gambling Law;

WHEREAS, Public Law 277-1993(ss), SECTIONS 133(b) and 134(c) provide that a special election can be conducted on November 2, 1993 only if at least one applicant for a riverboat license under IC 4-33-6 pays in advance of the election the cost of the expenses to hold a special election, as determined by the appropriate county election board;

WHEREAS, the Riverboat Gambling Law does not prescribe the procedure for a county to accept and process payment of special election costs by more than one applicant for a license under the Riverboat Gambling Law for a special election in 1993;

WHEREAS, the Commission finds that prescribing a procedure for the payment of special election costs in counties where more than one person applies for a license within that county will prevent confusion among applicants and county officials and will maintain the public's confidence and trust in the Riverboat Gambling Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION, THAT THE FOLLOWING INTERIM WRITTEN GUIDELINES ARE ADOPTED:

SECTION 1. SCOPE.

(a) These guidelines apply to each applicant for a license who wishes to act under Public Law 277-1993(ss), SECTION 133(b) or SECTION 134 (c) to pay the cost of a special election to be conducted within a city or county on November 2, 1993.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

The definitions set forth in IC 3-5-2 and IC 4-33-2 apply to these interim written guidelines.

SECTION 3. DEADLINE FOR PRESENTING PAYMENT OF ELECTION COSTS.

An applicant may not present a county auditor with a cashier's check or certified check to pay in full the cost of a special election to be conducted on November 2, 1993 under P.L. 277-1993 (ss), SECTION 133(b) or SECTION 134(c) after the earlier of the following:

- (1) Noon, prevailing local time, September 15, 1993; or
- (2) an earlier date or time prescribed by the county election board of the county.

SECTION 4. PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT OF ELECTION COSTS.

- (a) An applicant must present the following items to the county auditor of the appropriate county to comply with P.L. 277-1993(ss), SECTION 133(b) or SECTION 134(c):
 - (1) A copy of the application filed by the applicant with the Commission, stating:
 - (A) that the application has been filed with the Commission;
 - (B) the county (or in the case of Lake County, the city) for which the application has been made; and
 - (C) that the application fee has been paid.
 - (2) A cashier's check or certified check, in the amount of the cost of the special election (as previously determined by the county election board of the county), and made payable to "THE COUNTY TREASURER".

⁽b) An applicant will be considered to have paid for the cost of the special election within the county when the applicant has complied with subsection (a) and the County Auditor provides the applicant with a copy of the quietus or receipt issued by the County Auditor and County Treasurer, with a date and hour of issuance stated on the quietus or receipt.

SECTION 5. PAYMENT OF ELECTION COSTS WITHIN THE SAME JURISDICTION BY MULTIPLE APPLICANTS.

- (a) This SECTION applies to the payment of the costs of a special election within a jurisdiction when more than one (1) person has filed an application with the Commission for a license within the same jurisdiction.
- (b) This subsection applies to an applicant who acts under SECTION 4 to pay for the cost of a special election before noon, prevailing local time, September 15, 1993. Before presenting items under SECTION 4, the applicant shall ask the county auditor whether any other applicant has previously presented items under SECTION 4 to pay the costs of the special election. If another applicant has previously paid the costs of the special election in accordance with these guidelines, the applicant may not present the items under SECTION 4.
- (c) After a special election is conducted and before issuing an owner's license within the jurisdiction, the Commission shall determine whether a person (other than the applicant who paid the cost of the special election) has applied for a license within the jurisdiction where the special election was conducted. If another person has applied within that jurisdiction, the Commission shall issue an order requiring the person to forward a cashier's check or certified check to the applicant who paid the cost of the special election.
- (d) The amount of the payment described under subsection (c) equals the cost of the special election (as previously determined by the county election board) divided by the number of persons who have applied for an owner's license within the jurisdiction. The Commission's order may prescribe a date by which the person shall make the payment to the applicant.
- SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION. These guidelines are effective immediately and expire on the earlier of the following:
 - (1) the date that rules are adopted under IC 4-33-4-2; or
 - (2) July 1, 1994.

ADOPTED, THIS THE 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1993:

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:

Alan I. Klineman, Chair

ATTEST:

Gilmer Hensley,

Secretary to the Commission