

# SENATE BILL No. 712

August 31, 2005, Introduced by Senator BROWN and referred to the Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled  
"The Michigan penal code,"  
by amending section 303a (MCL 750.303a), as added by 1996 PA 539.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 303a. This chapter does not apply to recreational card  
2       playing conducted at a senior citizen housing facility **OR A SENIOR**  
3       **CENTER THAT IS NOT A HOUSING FACILITY IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING**  
4       **APPLY:**

5       **(A) THE FACILITY OR CENTER IS** not licensed by the liquor  
6       control commission.

7       **(B) THE CARD PLAYING IS CONDUCTED** by a senior citizens club or  
8       a group of residents of ~~—a~~ **THE** senior citizen housing facility  
9       that consists of at least 15 members who are 60 years of age or

1 older. ~~under all of the following circumstances:~~

2 (C) ~~—(a)—~~ The card playing is conducted solely for the  
3 amusement and recreation of the members and guests of the club or  
4 group and is not conducted for fund-raising. The number of guests  
5 participating in the card playing shall not exceed the number of  
6 club or group members participating in the card playing.

7 (D) ~~—(b)—~~ Only bona fide members and employees of the club or  
8 group participate in ~~the conduct of the activity~~ **CONDUCTING THE**  
9 **CARD PLAYING.**

10 (E) ~~—(c)—~~ The card playing is conducted after 9 a.m. and  
11 before 12 midnight.

12 (F) ~~—(d)—~~ The participating cardplayers bet not more than 25  
13 cents per bet.

14 (G) ~~—(e)—~~ The winnings from 1 hand of cards do not exceed  
15 \$5.00.

16 (H) ~~—(f)—~~ Except for winnings, revenue generated from the  
17 ~~activity~~ **CARD PLAYING** is used for reasonable expenses incurred in  
18 conducting the card playing, and no person is compensated for  
19 ~~participating in the conduct of~~ **CONDUCTING** the card playing.