

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 4343**

By Delegate Roop

[Introduced January 15, 2026; referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §29-25-24 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating  
2 to individual gaming restrictions.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 25. AUTHORIZED GAMING FACILITY.**

**§29-25-24. Individual gaming restrictions.**

1 (a) An individual may enter a designated gaming area or remain in a designated gaming  
2 area only if the individual:

3 (1) Is either;

4 (A) A registered overnight guest at the historic resort hotel on whose premises the gaming  
5 facility is located;

6 (B) A person who is a not a registered overnight guest, but is a registered participant at a  
7 convention or event being held at the historic resort hotel; ~~Provided, That this paragraph does not~~  
8 ~~apply on any calendar day when less than four hundred guest rooms are occupied at the historic~~  
9 ~~resort hotel;~~ or

10 (C) A member of a homeowner or facility association that entitles members to substantial  
11 privileges at the historic resort hotel on whose premises the gaming facility is located or an  
12 overnight guest of such a member: *Provided*, That the association was in existence as of April 1,  
13 2009;

14 (2) Is at least ~~twenty-one~~ 21 years of age old;

15 (3) Is not visibly intoxicated;

16 (4) Has not been determined by the gaming facility operator or the commission to be  
17 unruly, disruptive or otherwise interfering with operation of the gaming facility; or to be likely to  
18 commit, or to attempt to commit, a violation of this article; and

19 (5) Has not been barred by the commission from entering a gaming facility.

20 (b) Notwithstanding any provisions of this code to the contrary, no employee of the  
21 commission or any member of his or her immediate household may wager at the gaming facility,

- 22 and no licensed limited gaming facility employee may wager on any table game at the limited  
23 gaming facility.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to amend individual gaming restrictions.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law  
and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.