

**TITLE 6: CRIMES AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURES**  
**DIVISION 3: MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES**

**§ 3156. Exemptions: General Exemptions.**

(a) This article does not apply to:

(1) Music machines, weighing machines, and machines which vend cigarettes, candy, ice cream, food, confections, gum, or other merchandise, in which there is deposited an exact consideration and from which in every case the customer obtains that which he or she purchases.

(2) The operation of poker amusement machines.

(3) The Commonwealth lottery.

(4) Bingo, bato, raffles, and cockfighting activities.

(5) The operation of pachinko slot machines.

(6) Electronic gaming machine, or electronic table games as defined in [6 CMC § 3154\(a\)\(4\)](#).

(7) Any casino licensed pursuant to Commonwealth law or licensed pursuant to the laws of a Senatorial District, and the employees and patrons of such casino.

(b) In order to be exempt from this article, the gaming activities described under subsections (a)(6) must be operated only within the Third Senatorial District in an enclosed area or resort premises having 100 or more rooms or with fewer than 100 rooms so long as the hotel is attached to a golf course.

**Source:** PL 3-70, § 6; amended by PL 9-29 § 9; subsection (a)(6) added by PL 18-30 § 4 (Dec. 13, 2013). subsection (b) added by PL 18-30 § 5 (Dec. 13, 2013); subsection (a)(7) added by PL 18-38 § 2 (Mar. 21, 2014); subsection (a)(7) repealed by PL 18-56 § 2 and added by PL 18-56 § 3 (July 11, 2014).

**Commission Comment:** PL 9-29, which added subsection (a)(5) of this section, contains the following provision:

Section 3. Description. The term “pachinko slot machine” as used in this Act refers to the slot machine whose outer structure has three reels with symbols to be matched by pressing three buttons to stop the rotation of the spinning reels. It is a machine that requires a degree of skill in order for the winner to win a prize.