

Legislation Text

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## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GAMING COMPACT SUPPLEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of selfgovernment in behalf of the Cherokee people;

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation is a federally recognized Indian Nation with a historic and continual government to government relationship with the United States of America;

**WHEREAS**, gaming conducted by instrumentalities of the Nation as authorized by federal and Cherokee law has been an important economic development for the Nation;

**WHEREAS,** dividends to the Nation from these gaming activities have provided severely needed health, housing education, human services, and infrastructure for the Nation;

**WHEREAS,** the Nation will benefit by accepting the State of Oklahoma's offer of a Gaming Compact Supplement, which provides an additional covered game proposed by House Bill 3375, approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma on April 10, 2018;

**WHEREAS,** Intergovernmental compacts are required to be ratified by the Council of the Cherokee Nation in accordance with Legislative Act 15-01.

**WHEREAS**, the State-Tribal Gaming Act requires that to become effective, the Gaming Compact Supplement must be executed by a duly authorized tribal official and approved by the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior;

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION,** that the Principal Chief is hereby authorized to execute the Tribal Gaming Compact Supplement, accepting the offer of an additional covered game, recognized as non-house-banked table games.