

**541.21 COMMITMENTS FOR GAMBLING DEBT VOID.**

Every note, bill, bond, mortgage, or other security or conveyance in which the whole or any part of the consideration shall be for any money or goods won by gambling or playing at cards, dice, or any other game whatever, or by betting on the sides or hands of any person gambling, or for reimbursing or repaying any money knowingly lent or advanced at the time and place of such gambling or betting, or lent and advanced for any gambling or betting to any persons so gambling or betting, shall be void and of no effect as between the parties to the same, and as to all persons except such as hold or claim under them in good faith, without notice of the illegality of the consideration of such contract or conveyance. The provisions of this section shall not apply to: (1) pari-mutuel wagering conducted under a license issued pursuant to chapter 240; (2) purchase of tickets in the state lottery under chapter 349A; (3) gaming activities conducted pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.; or (4) lawful gambling activities permitted under chapter 349.

**History:** (10218) *RL s 4968; 1985 c 212 s 26; 1989 c 334 art 6 s 7; 1992 c 565 art 3 s 71; 1994 c 633 art 5 s 97*