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Colorado Revised Statutes, section 12-47.1-835, reads in pertinent part as follows:

No Manufacturer or Distributor of Slot Machines or associated equipment shall:

- (a) Have any interest, directly or indirectly, in any operator;
- (b) Allow any of its officers, or any other person with a substantial interest in such business, to have any interest in an operator.

A question has arisen regarding the loaning of money from manufacturer / distributors to licensed retail / operators. The Division of Gaming has taken the position that such activity would constitute a violation of the sections of the Limited Gaming Act cited above.

This interpretation does *not* preclude the financing of machines or other transactions in the ordinary course of business.