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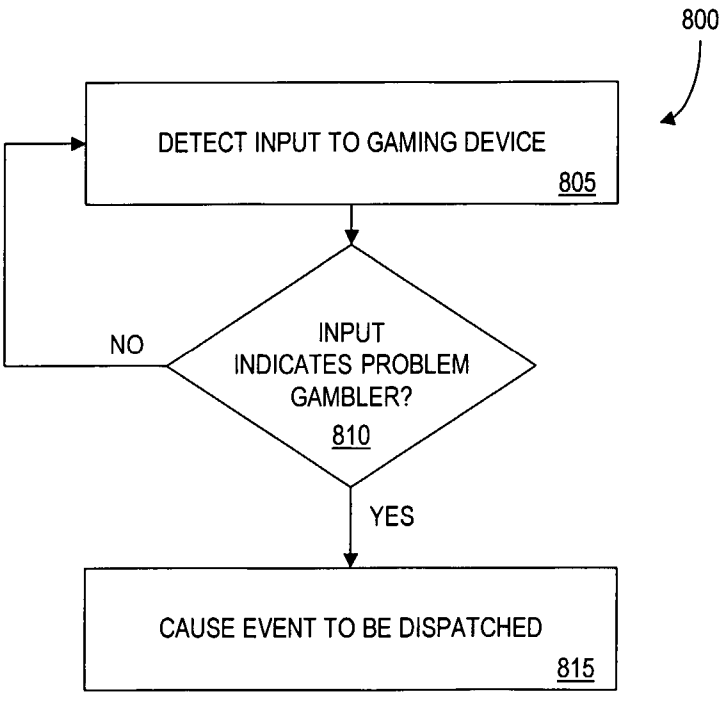
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(54) **Title:** GAMING SYSTEMS AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING A SIGNAL INDICATIVE OF A PROBLEM GAMBLER AND DISPATCHING AN EVENT IN RESPONSE THERETO



(57) **Abstract:** In accordance with one or more embodiments, an apparatus and system is provided for determining whether a player requires attention as a problem gambler. The apparatus and system are further operable to dispatch an event, the event for interacting with the problem gambler. The interaction may be targeted, for example, at curbing a player's inappropriate or potentially problematic gambling behavior.

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