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Exempts from all regulation bingo conducted in nursing homes under specified restrictions.

The bingo governed by this bill is conducted by or within a nursing home, senior citizen housing project, or senior citizen organization, with participation limited to members or residents. Prizes are limited to \$10 per game and \$200 per occasion. Games may be played only twice a week. No compensation may be paid to anyone for working at these games.

Under present law such bingo is subject to very limited regulation. The organization that conducts the bingo and its bingo manager must be registered with the gambling board. The organization must retain records for 3 ¹/₂ years. These requirements would be eliminated for this type of bingo.