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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill makes several updates to various sections of law related to lawful gambling. It adjusts certain record keeping requirements and updates provisions related to paddlewheels.

Section

- 1** **Audit requirements.** Increases the mandatory financial audit of lawful gambling activities for organizations. The new requirement is that any organization with more than \$750,000 in gross receipts per year must have a financial audit of gambling activities.
- 2** **Paddle tickets.** Updates the definition of a paddle ticket. Under this bill, tickets may be either printed by a manufacturer or printed by an approved point of sale system (e.g., cash register) as the site that records wagers made for each spin of the wheel.
- 3** **Paddle ticket card.** Provides that paddle tickets printed on-site by an approved point of sale system are not required to be used in conjunction with, or attached to, a paddle ticket card.
- 4** **Paddle wheels.** Updates the definition of paddle wheel to include linked paddle wheel games. This would allow players at multiple locations to participate in the same game, with records being kept at each location where players gamble.
- 5** **Bonding.** Amends the bonding requirement to allow for bonds of more than \$100,000.
- 6** **Permits.** Allows licensed organizations to conduct lawful gambling on a premises other than the permitted premises, following approval by the Minnesota Gambling Control Board, up to twelve times per year.

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- 7** **Accounting and reporting.** Amends this section to treat electronic pull tab and electronic bingo games similar to other forms of lawful gambling, requiring that receipts from these games must be deposited into the gaming bank account within four business days. Under current law, electronic pull tabs and linked bingo game receipts must be deposited within two business days.
- 8** **Pull tab records.** This section adjusts the identification requirements for pull tabs. It requires that licensed organizations require identification for anyone claiming a winning pull tab in the amount of \$100 or more. It also requires the organization to keep winning paper pull tabs of \$100 or more, along with the identification information of the winner, for three and a half years.
- 9** **Paddle wheel prizes.** Updates the betting limits for paddlewheels. This bill would prohibit more than a \$2 individual wager on a paddlewheel or more than \$50 in combined individual wagers per spin of the wheel by any individual.