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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill modifies a number of provisions relating to lawful gambling. The bill would: authorize and regulate the use of electronic raffle selection systems; allow for interim gambling manager appointments; modify bingo prize requirements; change the application requirements for employee registrations; and require cities and counties to acknowledge the source of certain charitable funds received from gambling organizations.

#### Section

- 1 **Electronic raffle selection system.** Defines an “electronic raffle selection system” as a system that uses a random number generator to select numbers, including raffle sales devices.
- 2 **Gambling equipment.** Includes electronic raffle selection systems in the definition of permanent gambling equipment.
- 3 **Gambling manager.** Reduces the length of time a gambling manager needs to be with an organization to serve as a gambling manager, from six months to 90 days.
- 4 **Hot-ball bingo prize.** Strikes a provision requiring that all persons playing a bingo game where a hot-ball bingo prize is offered are eligible to receive the prize at no additional cost. This provision is moved to a new subdivision created in section 10.
- 5 **Raffle sales device.** Creates a new definition for “raffle sales device,” which is defined as an attendant-operated cashier station from which a raffle participant may purchase tickets for an electronic raffle selection system.

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- 6**        **Share the pot raffle.** Creates a new definition for “share the pot raffle,” which is defined as a raffle in which the prize amount is a percentage of the raffle’s gross receipts.
- 7**        **Lawful gambling.** Requires that electronic raffle selection systems only be used for purposes related to lawful gambling.
- 8**        **Gambling manager required.** Authorizes an organization to appoint an interim gambling manager for no more than 120 days under certain circumstances.
- 9**        **Registration of employees.** Modifies the employee registration requirement to require application on a United States government-required form instead of a board-prescribed form.
- 10**       **Hot-ball bingo prize.** Clarifies that hot-ball bingo prizes may be funded either by an organization or by the players themselves. If funded by an organization, requires that all players are eligible; if funded by the players, the players eligible to win must be given a bingo sheet that is a different color.
- 11**       **Conduct of raffles.** Allows licensed organizations using an electronic raffle selection system to select winning numbers through the use of a random number generator. Grants the board rulemaking authority over the authorization and technical standards of an electronic raffle selection system.
- 12**       **Bingo.** Modifies bingo prize limits in the following manner:
- limit increased from \$200 to \$500 for a single bingo game;
  - limit increased from \$200 to \$500 for cover-all or cover-none games if the aggregate prizes in a bingo occasion do not exceed \$2,000; and
  - strikes the maximum total prize limit for a bingo occasion.
- 13**       **Local regulation.** Requires cities and counties who require gambling organizations to contribute ten percent of their net profits to those jurisdictions for charitable purposes to acknowledge the source of the contributions in communications about the funds and to the recipients of those funds.
- 14**       **Effective date.** Establishes an effective date of July 1, 2016.