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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill adds raffle boards to a variety of statutes related to lawful gambling taxes, contraband, and criminal liability.

Section

1   **Unaccounted games.** Requires distributors to pay a six percent tax on lost raffle boards.

2   **Untaxed gambling product.** Requires the tax on raffle boards to be paid by persons possessing or selling them, if the tax has not been paid.

3   **Contraband defined.** Adds the following items to the definition of contraband under chapter 349:

- raffle boards without bar codes;
- raffle boards possessed, stored, or displayed by an unlicensed person and the containers used to store or display them;
- items of value used for unauthorized transactions involving raffle boards and the containers used to store those items;
- devices used to store or transport contraband raffle boards;
- altered or counterfeit raffle boards;
- raffle board invoices not produced when requested; and
- untaxed raffle boards.

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4	**Prohibition against possession.** Imposes criminal liability on persons who:

- possess or sell raffle boards without bar codes;

- possess or sell raffle boards without a license;

- alter or counterfeit raffle boards, or possess such boards;

- possess raffle board invoices not produced when requested.

5	**False information.** Imposes felony liability on persons who knowingly place false information on a raffle board invoice or present a false invoice to a law enforcement agent.
6	**Transporting unstamped deals.** Imposes gross misdemeanor or felony liability on persons involved in the transportation of raffle boards without bar codes.