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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill establishes and modifies a variety of gambling statutes relating to: raffles; bingo games, including electronic bingo games; licensing of gambling organizations; promotion of certain types of games; tipboard games; electronic pull tabs; restrictions on employee participation in games; accounting rules for electronic gambling; and requirements for including audit and compliance reports in organization minutes. This bill also restricts the state lottery from offering casino-style games and prohibits lottery ticket sales under certain circumstances.

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- 1 Continuation raffle.** Defines continuation raffle and limits the time period for such raffles to 12 months.
- 2 Gambling equipment.** Includes raffle boards and disposable, sealed bingo placards in the category of disposable gambling equipment.
- 3 Hot-ball bingo prize.** Defines hot-ball bingo prizes and requires that all players participating in a bingo game where there is a hot-ball bingo prize be eligible for that prize at no additional cost.
- 4 Raffle board.** Defines a raffle board as having up to 200 squares whereby participants write their names to indicate entry in the raffle.
- 5 Merged organizations.** Directs the Gambling Control Board to consider a new organization comprised of two or more organizations as having been in existence for the most recent three years, provided that one of the merged organizations has an active license.

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- 6 **Promotional materials.** Allows manufacturers to provide gambling organizations with promotional materials, provided that the value of the material does not exceed \$250 per year. Limits promotional material to those items not normally purchased by the lessor of the premises in the lessor's business.
- 7 **Disposable sealed placard requirements.** Requires disposable sealed bingo placards to have a serial and form number and a symbol of the state.
- 8 **Raffle board standards.** Requires bar codes providing all required statutory information on raffle boards. Prohibits alteration of raffle boards by anyone other than the manufacturer. Requires a symbol of the state on raffle boards and limits the number of squares on boards to 200.
- 9 **Linked bingo provider prohibition.** Allows linked bingo providers to provide gambling organizations with promotional materials, provided that the value of the material does not exceed \$250 per year. Limits promotional material to those items not normally purchased by the lessor of the premises in the lessor's business.
- 10 **Bingo cards and sheets.** Changes row and number standards for bingo hard cards and paper sheets.
- 11 **Conduct of bingo.** Prohibits the completion of a bingo game if less than three bingo numbers have been drawn, with the exception of cover-none games.
- 12 **Electronic bingo.** Eliminates the registration requirement to play a linked bingo game and the requirement to present an ID with an address.
- 13 **Tipboard game ticket sales.** Allows placards to contain more than one seal, winning number and symbol. Increases the ticket limit per game from 32 to 100 for triggering the placard signature requirement for players who have a ticket with one or more predesignated numbers or symbols.
- 14 **Determination of winners in tipboard games.** Requires seals to be opened by the organization conducting the game and allows players to select which seal is opened if the placard has more than one seal.
- 15 **Electronic pull tabs.** Eliminates the registration requirement to play an electronic pull tab game and the requirement to present an ID with an address.
- 16 **Conduct of raffles.** Allows information regarding additional raffle prizes to be visibly displayed instead of publicly posted. Requires visible display of prizes for some raffles.
- 17 **Organization and lessor employees and volunteers.** Clarifies that the prohibition on employee and volunteer participation in a pull-tab, tipboard, or paddlewheel game applies to employees and volunteers of the organization or lessor. Allows such employees or volunteers to play those games on the premises provided that they are playing on a different day than the day they were involved in conducting the game and play a game wherein they have no more than 32 chances.
- 18 **Accounting rules for electronic gambling.** Requires that gambling receipts from electronic gambling be deposited in the gambling bank account when net receipts reach \$2000 or on the

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first day of the month, whichever comes first. Eliminates the four business day deadline for depositing electronic gambling receipts.

- 19 Pull-tab records.** Requires that persons cashing out an electronic pull tab device with over \$600 present acceptable identification to allow identification and tracking of the winner.
- 20 Information made part of organization minutes.** Requires licensed gambling organizations to include audit and compliance reports in their minutes without the requirement that those reports come from a state agency or are sent to the organization under the existing statutory authority.
- 21 Bingo.** Extends the exception to the \$200 prize limit to cover-none bingo games. Raises the total prize limit for a bingo occasion to \$4800 for cover-all and cover-none games. Defines a cover-none game as a bingo game where a player does not cover any numbered spaces to win.
- 22 Linked bingo prizes.** Removes the \$300 prize contribution limit for linked bingo games played without an electronic bingo device. Removes the limitation on the 85% gross receipts prize pool contribution limit to electronic linked bingo games.
- 23 Hot-ball bingo prizes.** Sets a \$500 limit on hot-ball bingo prizes.
- 24 Progressive bingo games.** Clarifies that the starting prize limit for progressive bingo may be up to \$500.
- 25 State lottery restrictions.** Prohibits the director of the state lottery from offering casino-style games electronically, online, or by any other means or device.
- 26 State lottery sales.** Suspends sales of lottery tickets through self-service devices at retail petroleum dispensers and electronic financial terminals, and suspends the online sale of instant win lottery tickets.
- 27 Repealer.** Repeals the price filing and sales price requirements for linked bingo game manufacturers, distributors, and providers. Repeals the annual audit requirement for licensed organizations.