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Subject Gambling Control Board membership requirements

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Overview

The initial terms of members on the Gambling Control Board expired in the mid-1980s. This bill removes a reference to the end of those initial terms and provides that a member can continue to hold office until a successor is named. The bill also permits certain purchases of raffle tickets to take place over the telephone.

Summary

Section Description

1 Membership.

Eliminates an obsolete reference to initial terms of members on the Gambling Control Board. Provides that members can continue to hold office after the expiration of a four-year term until a successor is named unless the appointing authority notifies the board that the member's term may not be extended.

2 Check or debit card for certain gambling purchases.

Permits individuals who initiate a call to purchase a raffle ticket to purchase the ticket using a check or debit card provided a debit card is checked against a nationally recognized database to confirm that the card is a debit card. This provisions expires on July 1, 2022.