

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on State, Civic, Military, & Veterans Affairs.

HB24-1326 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and  
2 substitute:

3       **"SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-602, **amend**  
4 **(6);** **repeal** (1)(a) and (5.5); and **add** (40.5) as follows:

5       **24-21-602. Definitions.** As used in this part 6, unless the context  
6 otherwise requires:

7           (1) "Bingo" means:

8           (a) ~~A bingo strip card game; or~~

9           (5.5) ~~"Bingo strip card game" means a type of bingo that is played~~  
10 ~~with a strip of up to five connected paper bingo cards, with each card~~  
11 ~~containing a concealed grid of preprinted numbers ranging from one to~~  
12 ~~seventy-five. The winner is the first player to match the numbers drawn~~  
13 ~~on one or more bingo balls to the prearranged pattern of numbers on a~~  
14 ~~card. The maximum prize for an individual card may not exceed one~~  
15 ~~thousand dollars.".~~

16           (6) "Board" means the Colorado bingo-raffle advisory  
17 CHARITABLE GAMING board created in section 24-21-630.

18           (40.5) "STRIP BINGO GAME" MEANS A TYPE OF BINGO THAT IS  
19 PLAYED WITH A STRIP CARD OF UP TO FIVE CONNECTED PAPER BINGO  
20 FACES, WITH EACH BINGO FACE CONTAINING A CONCEALED GROUPING OF  
21 PREPRINTED SYMBOLS, FREE SPACES, AND NUMBERS RANGING FROM ONE  
22 TO SEVENTY-FIVE.

23       **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-604, **repeal** (4)  
24 as follows:

25       **24-21-604. Legislative declaration - consideration for tickets**  
26 **- conditions - rules.** (4) ~~A bingo-raffle licensee may, directly or through~~  
27 ~~a third party, presell tickets to a charitable gaming event.~~

28       **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-605, **amend**  
29 (1)(a)(II) and (1)(b) as follows:

30       **24-21-605. Licensing and enforcement authority - powers -**  
31 **rules - duties - license suspension or revocation proceedings -**  
32 **definitions.** (1) The secretary of state is hereby designated as the  
33 "licensing authority" of this part 6. As licensing authority, the secretary  
34 of state's powers and duties are as follows:

35           (a) (II) ~~In lieu of seeking a suspension or revocation of any license~~  
36 ~~issued by the licensing authority;~~ The licensing authority may impose a  
37 reasonable fine for any violation of this part 6 or any rule adopted  
38 pursuant to this part 6, not to exceed ~~one hundred~~ TWO HUNDRED FIFTY  
39 dollars per citation. The imposition of any such fine may be appealed to

1 an administrative law judge.

2 (b) To supervise the administration and enforcement of this part  
3 and ~~in consultation with the board~~ to adopt, amend, and repeal rules  
4 governing the holding, operating, and conducting of games of chance, the  
5 purchase of equipment, the establishment of a schedule of reasonable  
6 fines, not to exceed ~~one hundred~~ TWO HUNDRED FIFTY dollars per citation,  
7 for violation by licensees of this part 6 or of rules adopted pursuant to this  
8 part 6, to the end that games of chance shall be held, operated, and  
9 conducted only by licensees for the purposes and in conformity with the  
10 state constitution and the provisions of this part 6;

11 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-609, **amend**  
12 (2)(b) as follows:

13 **24-21-609. Application for bingo-raffle license.** (2) (b) Each  
14 designated games manager must have been an active member of the  
15 applicant for at least the six months immediately preceding ~~his or her~~ THE  
16 MEMBER's designation AS A GAMES MANAGER and shall be certified by the  
17 licensing authority pursuant to section 24-21-610 before assuming games  
18 management duties.

19 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-614, **amend**  
20 (1)(c) as follows:

21 **24-21-614. Application for manufacturer's agent license or**  
22 **supplier's agent license.** (1) Each application for a manufacturer's agent  
23 license or supplier's agent license must include, but not be limited to, the  
24 following information:

25 (c) A statement by the applicant that ~~he or she~~ THE APPLICANT has  
26 read, understands, and will comply with this part 6 as to manufacturer's  
27 and supplier's agents and the conditions of the agent's license;

28 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-617, **amend**  
29 (1); and **add** (16) as follows:

30 **24-21-617. General conduct games of chance - premises -**  
31 **equipment - expenses - rules.** (1) A licensee shall not hold, operate, or  
32 conduct a game of bingo or lotto more often than as specified by the  
33 licensing authority by rule. ~~after consultation with the board~~

34 (16) A BINGO-RAFFLE LICENSEE MAY, DIRECTLY OR THROUGH A  
35 THIRD PARTY, PRESELL TICKETS TO A CHARITABLE GAMING EVENT.

36 **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-618, **amend**  
37 (3)(d); and **add** (11) as follows:

38 **24-21-618. Conduct of bingo games.** (3) (d) An operator shall  
39 not reserve or allow to be reserved any bingo cards for use by players  
40 except braille cards or other cards for use by legally blind players. A  
41 person who is legally blind may use ~~his or her~~ personal braille cards when  
42 a licensed organization does not provide such cards. A licensed  
43 organization may inspect and reject any personal braille card. A person  
44 who is legally blind or an individual with a disability may use a braille  
45 card or hard card in place of a purchased disposable paper bingo card.

(11) IN THE CONDUCT OF ANY STRIP BINGO GAME OR ANY OCCASION THAT INCLUDES A STRIP BINGO GAME:

(a) A BINGO-RAFFLE LICENSEE MAY USE ANY STYLE OF STRIP BINGO GAME AUTHORIZED BY THIS PART 6 OR BY THE RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THIS PART 6;

(b) THE MAXIMUM PRIZE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL CARD THAT IS USED AS PART OF A STRIP BINGO GAME MUST NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS;

(c) BOTH STRIP BINGO GAMES AND TRADITIONAL BINGO GAMES  
MAY BE PLAYED DURING THE SAME OCCASION; AND

(d) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF PRIZES AWARDED FOR ALL BINGO GAMES AT A SINGLE OCCASION MUST NOT EXCEED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS.

**SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-622, amend (3)(a) as follows:

**24-21-622. Bingo-raffle licensee's statement of receipts - expenses - fee - definitions.** (3) (a) All money collected or received from the sale of admission, extra regular cards, bingo strip cards, special game cards, sale of supplies, and all other receipts from the games of TRADITIONAL AND STRIP bingo GAMES, raffles, and pull tab games shall be deposited in a special checking or savings account, or both, of the licensee, which must contain only this money. If the licensee conducts progressive games of chance, the licensee may maintain one additional checking or savings account, which must contain only money received from the sale of progressive games. The licensee may withdraw money from these accounts only by consecutively numbered checks or withdrawal slips or by electronic transactions referenced by transaction number or date. A check or withdrawal slip must not be drawn to "cash" or a fictitious payee. The licensee shall maintain all of its books and records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

**SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-630, **amend** (1), (2), (2)(a)(I), (2)(a)(V), (2)(a)(VI), (2)(b), (2)(d), (2)(e), (2)(f), (2)(g), (2)(h), and (2)(i); **repeal** (2)(a)(II) and (2)(a)(III); and **add** (2)(a)(VII), (2)(l), and (2)(m) as follows:

**24-21-630. Colorado charitable gaming board - creation.**  
(1) There is hereby created, within the department of state, the Colorado bingo-raffle advisory CHARITABLE GAMING board.

(2) The board consists of ~~nine~~ SEVEN members, all of whom must be citizens of the United States who have been residents of the state for at least the past ~~five~~ TWO years. A member must not have been convicted of a felony or gambling-related offense, notwithstanding section 24-5-101. No more than ~~five~~ THREE of the ~~nine~~ SEVEN members may be members of the same political party; EXCEPT THAT THE POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S DESIGNEE SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING COMPLIANCE WITH THIS

1 REQUIREMENT. THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S DESIGNEE SHALL CONVENE  
2 THE BOARD'S FIRST MEETING NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 30, 2024. At the  
3 first meeting of each fiscal year, a majority of the members must choose  
4 a chair and vice-chair of the board from the membership. Membership  
5 and operation of the board must additionally meet the following  
6 requirements:

7 (a) (I) Three members of the board must be bona fide members of  
8 a bingo-raffle licensee that is classified as a religious organization, a  
9 charitable organization, a labor organization, an educational organization,  
10 A VETERANS' ORGANIZATION, A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION, or a voluntary  
11 firefighter's organization; except that no more than one member shall be  
12 appointed from any one such classification;

13 (II) ~~One member of the board must be a bona fide member of a~~  
14 ~~bingo-raffle licensee that is a veterans' organization;~~

15 (III) ~~One member of the board must be a bona fide member of a~~  
16 ~~bingo-raffle licensee that is a fraternal organization;~~

17 (V) ~~Two members~~ ONE MEMBER of the board must be A landlord  
18 licensees LICENSEE; and

19 (VI) One member of the board must be a registered elector of the  
20 state who is not employed by or an officer or director of a licensee, does  
21 not have a financial interest in any license, and does not have an active  
22 part in the conduct or management of games of chance by any  
23 bingo-raffle licensee; AND

24 (VII) ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD MUST BE THE SECRETARY OF  
25 STATE'S DESIGNEE.

26 (b) (I) ~~Of the five~~ THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE THREE  
27 members of the board who are categorized as bona fide members of a  
28 bingo-raffle licensee. ~~two shall be appointed by the president of the~~  
~~senate, two shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of~~  
~~representatives, and one shall be appointed jointly by the president and~~  
~~the speaker.~~

29 (II) ~~Of the two members~~ THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE  
30 MEMBER of the board who are categorized as landlord licensees, ~~one shall~~  
31 ~~be appointed by the president of the senate and one shall be appointed by~~  
~~the speaker of the house of representatives~~ IS A SUPPLIER LICENSEE AND  
32 THE MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHO IS A LANDLORD LICENSEE.

33 (III) ~~The president of the senate shall appoint the member of the~~  
34 ~~board who is a supplier licensee. The speaker of the house~~ THE  
35 SECRETARY OF STATE shall appoint the member of the board who is a  
36 registered elector AND THE MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHO IS THE  
37 SECRETARY OF STATE'S DESIGNEE.

38 (d) Any vacancy on the board ~~shall~~ MUST be filled for the  
39 unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment; EXCEPT  
40 THAT, IN THE EVENT OF AN EXTENDED VACANCY OF MORE THAN THREE  
41 MEETINGS OR THE FAILURE OF THE GOVERNOR TO APPOINT A NEW MEMBER

1        WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF THE VACANCY, THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY  
2        APPOINT A REPLACEMENT MEMBER. The member appointed to fill such  
3        vacancy shall be from the same category described in subsection (2)(a) of  
4        this section as the member vacating the position.

5        (e) A member of the board having a direct personal or private  
6        interest in any matter before the board shall ~~MUST~~ disclose such fact on  
7        the board's record. ~~A member~~ MEMBERS may disqualify ~~himself or herself~~  
8        THEMSELVES for any cause deemed by ~~him or her~~ THEM to be sufficient.

9        (f) The appointing officer shall terminate the term of any member  
10      of the board who misses more than two consecutive regular board  
11      meetings without good cause, or who no longer meets the requirements  
12      for membership imposed by this section. The member's successor ~~shall~~  
13      ~~MUST~~ be appointed in the manner provided for appointments under this  
14      section.

15      (g) Board members are entitled to receive as compensation for  
16      their services ~~fifty~~ SEVENTY-FIVE dollars for each day spent in the conduct  
17      of board business, not to exceed five hundred dollars per member per  
18      year, and are entitled to be reimbursed for necessary travel and other  
19      reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

20      (h) Prior to commencing ~~his or her~~ A term of service, each person  
21      nominated to serve on the board, OTHER THAN THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S  
22      DESIGNEE, ~~shall~~ ~~MUST~~ file with the secretary of state a financial disclosure  
23      statement in the form required and prescribed by the licensing authority  
24      and as commonly used for other Colorado boards and commissions. Such  
25      statement ~~shall~~ ~~MUST~~ be renewed as of each January 1 during the  
26      member's term of office.

27      (i) The board shall hold at least ~~two~~ SIX meetings each year and  
28      such additional meetings as the members may deem necessary. In  
29      addition, special meetings may be called by the chair, any three board  
30      members, or the licensing authority if written notification of the meeting  
31      is delivered to each member at least seventy-two hours before the  
32      meeting. Notwithstanding section 24-6-402, in emergency situations in  
33      which a majority of the board certifies that exigencies of time require that  
34      the board meet without delay, the requirements of public notice and of  
35      seventy-two hours' actual advance written notice to members may be  
36      dispensed with, and board members as well as the public ~~shall~~ ~~MUST~~  
37      receive such notice as is reasonable under the circumstances.

38      (l) THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD MAY INVITE ADDITIONAL  
39      INDIVIDUALS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF ENTITIES TO ATTEND WORKING  
40      GROUP MEETINGS AND PARTICIPATE IN SUCH MEETINGS AS NONVOTING  
41      MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

42      (m) THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY EMPLOY STAFF TO ASSIST THE  
43      BOARD IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES AND TO ENSURE THAT THE BOARD  
44      MAINTAINS ITS REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION  
45      (2)(i) OF THIS SECTION.

1                   **SECTION 10.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal and reenact,**  
2 **with amendments,** 24-21-631 as follows:

3                   **24-21-631. Board - duties.** (1) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER  
4 DUTIES SET FORTH IN THIS PART 6, THE BOARD SHALL:

5                   (a) CONDUCT A CONTINUOUS STUDY OF CHARITABLE GAMING  
6 THROUGHOUT THE STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING CHARITABLE  
7 GAMING AND ASCERTAINING ANY DEFECTS IN THIS PART 6 OR IN THE RULES  
8 PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO THIS PART 6; AND

9                   (b) COMMENCING ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025, AT THE  
10 DISCRETION OF THE BOARD, SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
11 CONTAINING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES TO THIS PART 6, WHICH  
12 REPORT SHALL BE SUBMITTED ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 31, 2025, AND ON  
13 OR BEFORE OCTOBER 31 OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER.

14                   (2) THE LICENSING AUTHORITY IS ENCOURAGED TO COLLABORATE  
15 WITH THE BOARD ON PROPOSALS DEVELOPED BY THE BOARD CONCERNING  
16 SUBJECTS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

17                   (a) THE TYPES OF CHARITABLE GAMING ACTIVITIES TO BE  
18 CONDUCTED, THE EXISTING RULES AND POTENTIAL NEW RULES FOR THOSE  
19 ACTIVITIES, AND THE NUMBER OF OCCASIONS PER YEAR UPON WHICH A  
20 LICENSEE MAY HOLD, OPERATE, OR CONDUCT A GAME OF BINGO OR LOTTO;

21                   (b) THE TYPES OF CHARITABLE GAMING ACTIVITIES TO BE  
22 CONDUCTED IN THE FUTURE BASED UPON A CONTINUING REVIEW OF THE  
23 AVAILABLE STATE-OF-THE-ART EQUIPMENT IN COLORADO AND OTHER  
24 STATES AND THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES APPROVED AND  
25 IMPLEMENTED BY OTHER STATES FOR THE CONDUCT OF CHARITABLE  
26 GAMING ACTIVITIES; AND

27                   (c) AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF AT LEAST TEN PERCENT OF ALL  
28 CHARITABLE GAMING AND A COMPLETE REVIEW OF ALL CHARITABLE  
29 GAMING RULES EVERY FIVE YEARS.

30                   (3) THE BOARD SHALL OFFER ADVICE TO THE LICENSING  
31 AUTHORITY UPON SUBJECTS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

32                   (a) THE REQUIREMENTS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND GROUNDS FOR THE  
33 ISSUANCE OF ALL TYPES OF PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY LICENSES  
34 REQUIRED FOR THE CONDUCT OF CHARITABLE GAMING;

35                   (b) THE REQUIREMENTS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND GROUNDS FOR THE  
36 REVOCATION, SUSPENSION, AND SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF ALL LICENSES  
37 REQUIRED FOR THE CONDUCT OF CHARITABLE GAMING;

38                   (c) ACTIVITIES THAT CONSTITUTE FRAUD, CHEATING, OR ILLEGAL  
39 ACTIVITIES;

40                   (d) THE GRANTING OF LICENSES WITH SPECIAL CONDITIONS OR FOR  
41 LIMITED PERIODS, OR BOTH;

42                   (e) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCHEDULE OF REASONABLE FINES TO  
43 BE ASSESSED FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS PART 6 OR ANY RULE ADOPTED  
44 PURSUANT TO THIS PART 6;

45                   (f) THE AMOUNT OF FEES FOR LICENSES ISSUED BY THE LICENSING

1 AUTHORITY AND FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
2 PURSUANT TO THIS PART 6;

3 (g) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CRITERIA UNDER WHICH A PERSON  
4 MAY SERVE AS A GAMES MANAGER;

5 (h) THE CONTENT AND CONDUCT OF CLASSES OR TRAINING  
6 SEMINARS TO BENEFIT BINGO-RAFFLE CHARITABLE LICENSEES, OFFICERS,  
7 AND VOLUNTEERS TO BETTER ACCOUNT FOR FUNDS COLLECTED FROM  
8 GAMES OF CHANCE;

9 (i) STANDARDIZED RULES, PROCEDURES, AND POLICIES TO CLARIFY  
10 AND SIMPLIFY THE AUDITING OF LICENSEES' RECORDS; AND

11 (j) THE CONDITIONS FOR A LICENSEE'S PLAN FOR DISPOSAL OF ANY  
12 EQUIPMENT AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF ANY REMAINING NET PROCEEDS  
13 UPON TERMINATION OF A BINGO-RAFFLE LICENSE FOR THE LICENSEE'S  
14 FAILURE TO TIMELY OR SUFFICIENTLY RENEW SUCH LICENSE.

15 **SECTION 11.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 24-21-632  
16 as follows:

17 **24-21-632. Repeal of part - review of functions.** This part 6 is  
18 repealed, effective ~~September 1, 2024~~ SEPTEMBER 1, 2029. Before the  
19 repeal, the licensing functions of the licensing authority and the functions  
20 of the Colorado ~~bingo-raffle advisory~~ CHARITABLE GAMING board in the  
21 department of state are scheduled for review in accordance with section  
22 24-34-104.

23 **SECTION 12.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, **repeal**  
24 (25)(a)(XV) and (25)(a)(XVI); and **add** (30)(a)(IX) as follows:

25 **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies  
and functions for repeal, continuation, or reestablishment - legislative  
declaration - repeal.** (25)(a) The following agencies, functions, or both,  
26 are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2024:

27 (XV) ~~The licensing of bingo and other games of chance through  
the secretary of state in accordance with part 6 of article 21 of this title  
24;~~

28 (XVI) ~~The Colorado bingo-raffle advisory board created in  
section 24-21-630;~~

29 (30)(a) The following agencies, functions, or both, are scheduled  
30 for repeal on September 1, 2029:

31 (IX) ~~THE LICENSING OF BINGO AND OTHER GAMES OF CHANCE  
THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE FUNCTIONS OF THE  
COLORADO CHARITABLE GAMING BOARD AS SPECIFIED IN PART 6 OF  
ARTICLE 21 OF THIS TITLE 24.~~

32 **SECTION 13. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,  
33 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
34 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for  
35 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state  
36 institutions.".

- 1 Page 1, line 102, strike "**BINGO**".
- 2 Page 1, strike lines 103 through 105 and substitute "**BINGO**".

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