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SENATE BILL 26-117

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING PERMISSIBLE METHODS FOR THE SALE OF LOTTERY**
102 **TICKETS.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The Colorado lottery (lottery) commission adopted rules that removed a prohibition on the use of credit or other noncash bases to buy lottery tickets and instant scratch game tickets. The bill reinstates the prohibition on the lottery or any licensed lottery retailer from selling lottery tickets or instant scratch game tickets on a credit or other noncash basis and requires the lottery to sell such tickets for cash only, including

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checks, money orders, and debit cards. The bill also prohibits the online sale of any lottery ticket or instant scratch game ticket, regardless of payment method. The bill requires the lottery commission to adopt rules implementing the bill.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-40-107, **add** (12)
3 as follows:

4 **44-40-107. Licenses.**

5 (12) LOTTERY TICKETS OR INSTANT SCRATCH GAME TICKETS THAT
6 ARE PRODUCED BY THE LOTTERY FOR SALE TO THE PUBLIC, EITHER
7 DIRECTLY OR THROUGH THE LICENSEE, MUST NOT BE SOLD ON CREDIT.

8 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-40-109, **amend**
9 (2)(i), (3)(a)(II), and (3)(a)(III); and add (2)(j) and (3)(a)(IV) as follows:

10 **44-40-109. Commission - powers and duties - rules.**

11 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, rules
12 promulgated pursuant to subsection (1) of this section must include:

13 (i) The manner in which lottery sales revenues are to be collected;
14 AND

15 (j) A PROHIBITION ON THE LOTTERY OR A LICENSEE'S SALE OF ANY
16 LOTTERY TICKETS PRODUCED BY THE LOTTERY FOR SALE TO THE PUBLIC,
17 DIRECTLY OR THROUGH THE LICENSEE, ON CREDIT.

18 (3) (a) The commission shall promulgate rules pursuant to
19 subsection (1) of this section for the general administration of all instant
20 scratch games. The rules must include:

21 (II) The method of paying prizes on winning instant scratch game
22 tickets; **and**

23 (III) The manner and amount of compensation, if any, to be paid

1 to licensed sales agents necessary to provide for the adequate availability
2 of instant scratch game tickets to prospective buyers and for the
3 convenience of the public; AND

4 (IV) A PROHIBITION ON THE SALE OF INSTANT SCRATCH GAME
5 TICKETS PRODUCED BY THE LOTTERY FOR SALE TO THE PUBLIC, EITHER
6 DIRECTLY OR THROUGH THE LICENSEE, ON CREDIT.

7 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
8 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
9 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
10 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
11 institutions.