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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CONDUCT OF CHARITABLE GAMING ACTIVITY, AND,**
102 **IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MODERNIZING THE "BINGO AND**
103 **RAFFLES LAW" TO ACCOMMODATE THE USE OF IMPROVED**
104 **ELECTRONIC AIDS AND DEVICES IN THE CONDUCT OF GAMES OF**
105 **CHANCE AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

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>.)

Section 1 of the bill makes legislative findings. **Sections 3, 4, and 5** authorize the licensing authority to approve additional types of

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equipment that players may use, including certain electronic devices that reveal the winning or nonwinning status of tickets in pull tab games, and clarify that these devices are not defined as slot machines or other prohibited devices. **Section 2** amends existing definitions accordingly, and **section 3** removes a prohibition on the charging of license fees by the licensing authority for the licensing of certain devices.

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

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3 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-602, **amend**
4 (1), (13), ■ and (36); and **add** (5.5) 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 (b) A game of chance played, with or without the aid of an
10 electronic device, for prizes using cards or sheets containing five rows of
11 five squares bearing numbers, except for the center square, which is a free
12 space. Traditional bingo also requires that the letters "B I N G O" appear
13 in order over each column. The holder of a card or sheet matches the
14 numbers on such card or sheet to numbers randomly drawn. The game is
15 won when a previously designated arrangement of numbers on such card
16 or sheet is covered.

17 (5.5) "BINGO **STRIP CARD** GAME" MEANS A TYPE OF BINGO THAT IS
18 PLAYED WITH A STRIP OF UP TO FIVE CONNECTED **PAPER BINGO CARDS**,
19 WITH EACH **CARD** CONTAINING A CONCEALED GRID OF PREPRINTED
20 NUMBERS RANGING FROM ONE TO SEVENTY-FIVE. THE WINNER IS THE FIRST
21 PLAYER TO MATCH THE NUMBERS DRAWN ON ONE OR MORE BINGO BALLS
22 TO THE PREARRANGED PATTERN OF NUMBERS ON A **CARD**. THE MAXIMUM

1 PRIZE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL CARD MAY NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND
2 DOLLARS.

3 (13) "Deal" means each separate package or series of packages of
4 pull tabs with the same name, form number, AND serial number. ~~and color~~
5 ~~code.~~

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7 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-617, **amend**
8 (2), (11), and (12) as follows:

9 **24-21-617. General conduct games of chance - premises -**
10 **equipment - expenses - rules.** (2) A person or licensee shall not permit
11 any person under eighteen years of age to purchase the opportunity to
12 participate in any game of chance or purchase A TICKET IN A pull tab
13 ~~games~~ GAME.

14 (11) A licensee shall not possess, use, sell, offer for sale, or put
15 into play any bingo or pull tab game, ticket, card, or sheet unless it
16 conforms to the definitions and requirements of this part 6 and was
17 purchased by the licensee from a licensed bingo-raffle manufacturer or
18 supplier or FROM A licensed agent ~~thereof~~ OF A BINGO-RAFFLE
19 MANUFACTURER OR SUPPLIER. A licensee shall not possess, use, sell, offer
20 for sale, or put into play any electronic device used as an aid in the game
21 of bingo OR ANY OTHER EQUIPMENT unless it conforms to the
22 requirements of this part 6 and was purchased or leased by the licensee
23 from a licensed bingo-raffle manufacturer or supplier or FROM A licensed
24 agent ~~thereof~~ OF A BINGO-RAFFLE MANUFACTURER OR SUPPLIER.

25 (12) In order to possess, use, sell, offer for sale, or put into play
26 any bingo or pull tab game, ticket, card, or sheet, a licensee must have at
27 the location of the game an invoice from its licensed supplier showing at

1 least the name, description, ~~color code, if any,~~ and serial number of the
2 pull tab DEAL, card, or sheet.

3 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-618, **amend**
4 **(7)(c)** as follows:

5 **24-21-618. Conduct of bingo games.** (7) (c) The licensing
6 authority may establish by rule the maximum number of bingo cards
7 that a bingo player who plays using the aid of an electronic device is
8 permitted to use with the aid of such a device per game; except that the
9 maximum number must be at least ~~fifty-four~~ ONE HUNDRED.

10 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-619, **amend**
11 **(3) introductory portion and (3)(a) as follows:**

12 **24-21-619. Conduct of pull tabs - license revocation - rules -**
13 **definitions.** (3) A bingo-raffle licensee may offer ~~an~~ ONE OR MORE event
14 **pull tab series. For the purposes of this subsection (3):**

15 **(a) "Event pull tab series" means a pull tab series that includes a**
16 **predetermined number of PAPER pull tabs that allow a player to advance**
17 **to an event round.**

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19 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-21-622, **amend**
20 **(3)(a)** as follows:

21 **24-21-622. Bingo-raffle licensee's statement of receipts -**
22 **expenses - fee - definitions.** (3) (a) All money collected or received from
23 the sale of admission, extra regular cards, BINGO STRIP CARDS, special
24 game cards, sale of supplies, and all other receipts from the games of
25 bingo, raffles, and pull tab games shall be deposited in a special checking
26 or savings account, or both, of the licensee, which must contain only this
27 money. If the licensee conducts progressive games of chance, the licensee

1 may maintain one additional checking or savings account, which must
2 contain only money received from the sale of progressive games. The
3 licensee may withdraw money from these accounts only by consecutively
4 numbered checks or withdrawal slips or by electronic transactions
5 referenced by transaction number or date. A check or withdrawal slip
6 must not be drawn to "cash" or a fictitious payee. The licensee shall
7 maintain all of its books and records in accordance with generally
8 accepted accounting principles.

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10 **SECTION 6. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2022-23 state fiscal
11 year, \$47,471 is appropriated to the department of state. This
12 appropriation is from the department of state cash fund created in section
13 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S. To implement this act, the department may use
14 this appropriation as follows:

15 (a) \$17,271 for use by the business and licensing division for
16 personal services, which amount is based on an assumption that the
17 department will require an additional 0.4 FTE; and

18 (b) \$6,200 for use by the business and licensing division for
19 operating expenses; and

20 (c) \$24,000 for use by the information technology division for
21 personal services.

22 **SECTION 7. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
23 takes effect April 1, 2023; except that, if a referendum petition is filed
24 pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this
25 act or an item, section, or part of this act within the ninety-day period
26 after final adjournment of the general assembly, then the act, item,
27 section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the

1 general election to be held in November 2022 and, in such case, will take
2 effect April 1, 2023, or on the date of the official declaration of the vote
3 thereon by the governor, whichever is later.