CHAPTER 40

BINGO - COMMUNITY FESTIVALS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

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AN ACT relating to games of skill or chance, including allowing qualified organizations to lease certain electronic bingo equipment in order to assist disabled participants, and including effective date provisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 99B.5A, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:

a. "Community festival" means a festival of no more than four \underline{six} consecutive days in length held by a community group.

Sec. 2. Section 99B.7, subsection 8, Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:

8. <u>a.</u> A qualified organization licensed under this section shall purchase bingo equipment and supplies only from a manufacturer or a distributor licensed by the department.

<u>b.</u> A qualified organization may also lease electronic bingo equipment from a manufacturer or distributor licensed by the department for the purposes of aiding disabled individuals during a bingo occasion. *"Electronic bingo equipment"* for the purposes of this paragraph means an electronic device that aids in the use of a bingo card during a bingo game. Such electronic bingo equipment shall only be permitted for use by disabled individuals.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. The following provision of this Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment:

1. The section of this Act amending section 99B.5A.

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