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STATE GOVERNMENT

HOUSE FILE 48
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act prohibiting the use of small or young animals as awards or
2 prizes for winning games of skill or games of chance and
3 providing a penalty.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 99B.9B USE OF YOUNG OR SMALL
2 ANIMALS AS AWARDS OR PRIZES PROHIBITED -- PENALTY.

3 1. As used in this section:

4 a. "Small animal" includes, but is not limited to, a
5 goldfish, turtle, or rodent.

6 b. "Young animal" includes, but is not limited to, a
7 rabbit bunny, baby chicken, kitten, or puppy.

8 2. A person licensed to conduct games of skill or games of
9 chance pursuant to this chapter shall not offer to give or
10 give a young animal or small animal as a prize, gift, or door
11 prize as a part of the conduct of a game of skill or game of
12 chance.

13 3. The department shall adopt rules, subject to chapter
14 17A, prohibiting a licensee under this chapter from awarding
15 or giving a small animal or young animal as a gift, prize, or
16 door prize.

17 4. A person who violates this section or a rule adopted
18 pursuant to this section is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

19 EXPLANATION

20 This bill directs the department of inspections and appeals
21 to adopt rules prohibiting licensees of raffle games, bingo,
22 and other games of skill or chance from giving small or young
23 animals as prizes, gifts, or door prizes. The animals include
24 goldfish, rabbit bunnies, rodents such as mice and gerbils,
25 turtles, baby chickens, puppies, and kittens.

26 A violator is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

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