

# Senate File 219 - Introduced

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning social gambling by religious institutions.  
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
3 TLSB 1808SS 82  
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 99B.12B RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS  
1 2 == LICENSING EXCEPTIONS.  
1 3 1. A religious institution that is an organization that is  
1 4 exempt from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3) of  
1 5 the Internal Revenue Code as defined in section 422.3 is  
1 6 authorized to conduct a bingo occasion, annual carnival game,  
1 7 or a raffle without a license as otherwise required by this  
1 8 chapter if all of the following requirements are met:  
1 9 a. Participants are not charged to enter the premises  
1 10 where the bingo occasion or raffle is conducted.  
1 11 b. Participants in the bingo occasion or annual carnival  
1 12 game are not charged to play once the participant has entered  
1 13 the premises where the event is conducted.  
1 14 c. Any prize awarded shall not exceed five hundred  
1 15 dollars.  
1 16 d. The total revenues raised by a religious institution  
1 17 during any calendar year from games conducted pursuant to this  
1 18 section shall not exceed one thousand dollars.  
1 19 2. For purposes of this section, an "annual carnival game"  
1 20 means games of skill and games of chance conducted during a  
1 21 period of twelve consecutive hours once each year by the  
1 22 religious institution.

### EXPLANATION

1 24 This bill permits a religious institution to conduct a  
1 25 bingo occasion, raffle, or annual carnival game without  
1 26 obtaining a license if certain requirements are met. The  
1 27 requirements established by the bill are that participants  
1 28 shall not be charged admission to a bingo occasion, or a  
1 29 raffle, that participants in bingo or an annual carnival game  
1 30 shall not be charged to play, that any prize awarded shall not  
1 31 exceed \$500, and that total revenues raised by a religious  
1 32 institution in a year shall not exceed \$1,000. The bill  
1 33 defines an annual carnival game as games of skill and games of  
1 34 chance conducted during a period of 12 consecutive hours once  
1 35 each year by the religious institution.

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