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A BILL FOR

An Act providing an exception to licensing requirements for certain bingo occasions.

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

Section 1. Section 99B.12A, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:

~~An organization that is exempt from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), 501(c)(6), 501(c)(7), 501(c)(8), 501(c)(10), or 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code as defined in section 422.3,~~ A person shall be authorized to conduct a bingo occasion without a license as otherwise required by this chapter if all of the following requirements are met:

EXPLANATION

This bill authorizes any person to conduct a bingo occasion without a license if participants are not charged to enter the premises where bingo is conducted, participants are not charged to play bingo, any prize awarded is donated, and the bingo occasion is conducted as an activity and not for fund raising purposes. Current law only allows nonprofit organizations to conduct a bingo occasion under these limitations without a license.