

House File 619 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON STATE
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 65)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to games of skill and chance conducted by
2 qualified organizations, including by allowing qualified
3 organizations to lease electronic bingo equipment in order
4 to assist disabled participants.

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

1 Section 1. Section 99B.7, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code
2 2011, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. A person wishing to conduct games and raffles pursuant
4 to this section as a qualified organization shall submit an
5 application and a license fee of one hundred fifty dollars.
6 The annual license fee for a statewide raffle license shall
7 be one hundred fifty dollars. However, upon submission of an
8 application accompanied by a license fee of fifteen dollars,
9 a person may be issued a limited license to conduct all games
10 and raffles pursuant to this section at a specified location
11 and during a specified period of fourteen consecutive calendar
12 days, except that a bingo occasion may only be conducted once
13 per each seven consecutive calendar days or once per day for a
14 period of up to six consecutive calendar days of the specified
15 period. In addition, a qualified organization may be issued
16 a limited license to conduct raffles pursuant to this section
17 for a period of ninety days for a license fee of forty dollars
18 or for a period of one hundred eighty days for a license fee of
19 seventy-five dollars. For the purposes of this paragraph, a
20 limited license is deemed to be issued on the first day of the
21 period for which the license is issued.

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

24 8. A qualified organization licensed under this section
25 shall purchase bingo equipment and supplies only from a
26 manufacturer or a distributor licensed by the department.
27 A qualified organization may also lease electronic bingo
28 equipment from a manufacturer or a distributor licensed by the
29 department for the purpose of aiding disabled individuals.

30 EXPLANATION

31 This bill relates to qualified organizations that conduct
32 certain games of skill or chance. The bill allows for certain
33 limited licenses to be issued permitting bingo occasions to be
34 played once per day for six consecutive calendar days. The
35 bill also allows qualified organizations, for the purpose

1 of aiding disabled participants, to lease electronic bingo
2 equipment from a manufacturer or distributor licensed by the
3 department of inspections and appeals.

4 A qualified organization is defined as an organization
5 licensed by the department of inspections and appeals which
6 dedicates its net receipts from a game of skill or chance or a
7 raffle to educational, civic, public, charitable, patriotic,
8 or religious uses.