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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 5-504, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA STATE LOTTERY COMMISSION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 5-504, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

5-504. Commission; director; powers and duties; definitions

A. The commission shall meet with the director not less than once each quarter to make recommendations and set policy, receive reports from the director and transact other business properly brought before the commission.

B. The commission shall oversee a state lottery to produce the maximum amount of net revenue consonant with the dignity of the state. To achieve these ends, the commission shall authorize the director to adopt rules in accordance with title 41, chapter 6. Rules adopted by the director may include provisions relating to the following:

1. Subject to the approval of the commission, the types of lottery games and the types of game play-styles to be conducted.

2. The method of selecting the winning tickets or shares for noncomputerized on-line games, except that no method may be used which, in whole or in part, depends on the results of a dog race, a horse race or any sporting event.

3. The manner of payment of prizes to the holders of winning tickets or shares including providing for payment by the purchase of annuities in the case of prizes payable in installments, except that the commission staff shall examine claims and may not pay any prize based on altered, stolen or counterfeit tickets or based on any tickets which fail to meet established validation requirements, including rules stated on the ticket or in the published game rules, and confidential validation tests applied consistently by the commission staff. No particular prize in a lottery game may be paid more than once, and in the event of a binding determination that more than one person is entitled to a particular prize, the sole remedy of the claimants is the award to each of them of an equal portion of the single prize.

4. The method to be used in selling tickets or shares, except that no elected official's name may be printed on such tickets or shares. The overall estimated odds of winning some prize or some cash prize, as appropriate, in a given game shall be printed on each ticket or share.

5. The licensing of agents to sell tickets or shares, except that a person under the age of eighteen shall not be licensed as an agent.

6. The manner and amount of compensation to be paid licensed sales agents necessary to provide for the adequate availability of tickets or shares to prospective buyers and for the convenience of the public, including provision for variable compensation based on sales volume.

7. Matters necessary or desirable for the efficient and economical operation and administration of the lottery and for the convenience of the purchasers of tickets or shares and the holders of winning tickets or shares.

C. The commission shall authorize the director to issue orders and shall approve orders issued by the director for the necessary operation of

the lottery. Orders issued under this subsection may include provisions relating to the following:

1. The prices of tickets or shares in lottery games.

2. The themes, game play-styles, and names of lottery games and definitions of symbols and other characters used in lottery games, except that each ticket or share in a lottery game shall bear a unique distinguishable serial number.

3. The sale of tickets or shares at a discount for promotional purposes.

4. The prize structure of lottery games, including the number and size of prizes available. Available prizes may include free tickets in lottery games and merchandise prizes.

5. The frequency of drawings, if any, or other selections of winning tickets or shares, except that:

(a) All drawings shall be open to the public.

(b) The actual selection of winning tickets or shares may not be performed by an employee or member of the commission.

(c) Noncomputerized on-line game drawings shall be witnessed by an independent observer.

6. Requirements for eligibility for participation in grand drawings or other runoff drawings, including requirements for the submission of evidence of eligibility within a shorter period than that provided for claims by section 5-518.

7. Incentive and bonus programs designed to increase sales of lottery tickets or shares and to produce the maximum amount of net revenue for this state.

D. Notwithstanding title 41, chapter 6 and subsection B of this section, the director, subject to the approval of the commission, may establish a policy, procedure or practice that relates to an existing on-line game or a new on-line game which is the same type and has the same type of game play-style as an on-line game currently being conducted by the lottery or may modify an existing rule for an existing on-line game or a new on-line game which is the same type and has the same type of game play-style as an on-line game currently being conducted by the lottery, including establishing or modifying the matrix for an on-line game by giving notice of the establishment or modification at least thirty days before the effective date of the establishment or modification.

~~E. Employees of the lottery, except employees who are involved in sales that require the employees to handle property that produces revenue for the lottery, are subject to title 41, chapter 4, articles 5 and 6. Employees who are involved in these sales activities are subject to personnel rules adopted by the commission. When adopting these personnel rules, the commission shall provide due process protections for the sales employees while taking into consideration the security and integrity necessary for the operation of the lottery.~~

~~F.~~ E. The commission shall maintain and make the following information available for public inspection at its offices during regular business hours:

1. A detailed listing of the estimated number of prizes of each particular denomination expected to be awarded in any instant game currently on sale.

2. After the end of the claim period prescribed by section 5-518, a listing of the total number of tickets or shares sold and the number of prizes of each particular denomination awarded in each lottery game.

3. Definitions of all play symbols and other characters used in each lottery game and instructions on how to play and how to win each lottery game.

~~G.~~ F. Any information that is maintained by the commission and that would assist a person in locating or identifying a winning ticket or share or that would otherwise compromise the integrity of any lottery game is deemed confidential and is not subject to public inspection.

~~H.~~ G. The commission shall, in addition to other games authorized by this article, establish two special games for each year to be conducted concurrently with other lottery games authorized under subsection B of this section. The monies for prizes, for operating expenses and for payment to the commerce and economic development commission fund, as provided in section 5-522, subsection A, paragraph 3, shall be accounted for separately as nearly as practicable in the lottery commission's general accounting system. The monies shall be derived from the revenues of the special games, and monies for prizes do not become an expense to the lottery commission's annual appropriation as provided in section 5-505, subsection D and section 5-522, subsection H. Monies saved from the revenues of the special games, by reason of operating efficiencies, shall become other revenue of the lottery commission and revert to the state general fund.

~~I.~~ H. The commission may, in addition to other games authorized by this article, establish multistate lottery games to be conducted concurrently with other lottery games authorized under subsections B and H of this section. The monies for prizes, for operating expenses and for payment to the local transportation assistance fund, as provided in section 28-8101, and the state general fund shall be accounted for separately as nearly as practicable in the lottery commission's general accounting system. The monies shall be derived from the revenues of multistate lottery games.

~~J.~~ I. The commission or director shall not establish or operate any on-line or electronic keno game or any game played on the internet.

~~K.~~ J. The director shall print, in a prominent location on each lottery ticket or share, a statement that help is available if a person has a problem with gambling and a toll free telephone number where problem gambling assistance is available. The director shall require all licensed agents to post a sign with the statement that help is available if a person has a problem with gambling and the toll free telephone number at the point

of sale as prescribed and supplied by the director. The requirements of this subsection apply to tickets and shares printed after July 18, 2000.

~~t.~~ K. For the purposes of this section:

1. "Game play-style" means the process or procedure that a player must follow to determine if a lottery ticket or share is a winning ticket or share.

2. "Matrix" means the odds of winning a prize and the prize payout amounts in a given game.

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