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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

Contains provisions related to omnibus gambling.

#### Section

- 1 Expenditure restrictions.** Increases the amount of bingo gross profits that lawful gambling organizations may use for allowable expenses by changing the manner in which taxes are deducted from the calculation.
- 2 Commercial products.** The board may not deny approval of a pull-tab or tipboard game solely because the game is similar to or bears the name or image of a licensed commercial product.
- 3 Prize Limits.** Changes the definition of a coverall bingo game, including games where all odd or even numbers are designated covered before a game commences. Limits consolation prizes for linked bingo games to \$200. Allows \$5 pull-tabs and tipboards. Allows linked bingo games to have carryovers to later events.
- 4 Repealer.** Repeals a section of law requiring separate bank accounts for linked bingo prize pools.
- 5 Effective Date.** Section 1 is effective July 1, 2007; sections 2-4 are effective the day following final enactment.