

Subject Defining electronic games
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Overview

Lawful gambling, often called “charitable gambling” may include the use of a variety of common forms of gambling including bingo and pull-tabs. Some of those games may be played in an electronic format. This bill clarifies that lawful gambling is limited to those games or features discussed in statute. It also clarifies the definitions related to electronic bingo and electronic pull-tabs to prohibit certain forms of gameplay.

Summary

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| 1 | <p>Purpose.</p> <p>Clarifies that the purpose of statutory lawful gambling regulations is to permit the authorization only of the games or game features discussed in statute. This section is effective September 6, 2022.</p> |
| 2 | <p>Electronic bingo device.</p> <p>Amends the definition of “electronic bingo device” to state that the device may only display the bingo game and results in a manner that resembles bingo games played on paper and prohibits displaying or simulating any other form of gambling, entertainment, slot machine, electronic video lotteries, or video games of chance. Further restricts the depiction of images that resemble a spinning reel or slot machine. This section is effective September 6, 2022.</p> |
| 3 | <p>Electronic pull-tab device.</p> <p>Clarifies that, effective September 6, 2022, electronic pull-tab devices must require manual operation and must display the underlying symbols immediately after the player activates or opens an applicable line. Specifies that the device may only display the pull-tab game and results in a manner that resembles pull-tab games played with paper tickets and prohibits displaying or simulating any other form of gambling, entertainment, slot machine, electronic video lotteries, or video games of</p> |

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	chance. Further restricts the depiction of images that resemble a spinning reel or slot machine.
4	Electronic pull-tab game. Amends the definition of “electronic pull-tab game” to reference the restrictions established in the definition of an “electronic pull-tab device.” This section is effective September 6, 2022.



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