

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: HB1675

Amendment Number: H1 (3/17/15 Engrossment)

Bill Subtitle: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL VENUES FOR THE SALE OF RAFFLE TICKETS BY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS; TO ALLOW THE AWARDING OF PRIZES AND INCENTIVES TO THE MOST PRODUCTIVE SELLER OF RAFFLE TICKETS.

Basic Change : Sponsor : Representative Magie

Engrossment 0317/15 --- House Amendment 1 --- The proposal amend current law to allow the sale of raffle tickets through the mail, email, fax, telephone, or the website of the licensed authorized organization. Sales of raffle tickets through electronic means will require the electronic media that is authorized to be: (1) owned by and operated exclusively for the licensed authorized organization; and (2) only allows activity as authorized within the charitable raffle law of the state. The proposal limits the number of times a licensed authorized organization can conduct a game of raffle to three (3) raffles per year and prohibits admission and participation of individuals under eighteen (18) years of age into games of raffle. The proposal would be effective 90 days after final adjournment of the 90th General Assembly.

Revenue Impact :

None

Taxpayer Impact :

The amended proposal would allow licensed authorized organizations to utilize the mail, email, fax, telephone, or the website of the licensed authorized organization to sell raffle tickets.

Resources Required :

None

Time Required :

Time to create and adopt rules will be time consuming.

Procedural Changes :

Education of staff and the adoption of the new rules to allow for the use of electronic means to sell raffle tickets are necessary.

Legal Analysis :

The amendment authorizes the sale of raffle tickets through the mail and electronically by e-mail, fax, telephone and the internet. Internet sales are to be made through the charitable organization's website. DFA is required to promulgate a rule to implement these new methods of selling raffle tickets. DFA should clarify by rule how raffle tickets that are ordered electronically will be delivered to the purchasers.

The amendment also authorizes a charitable organization to conduct up to three raffles per year. DFA is required to promulgate a rule to implement this provision.