Act 835 HB2078

"AN ACT TO PERMIT THE PRINTING OF LOTTERY TICKETS IN ARKANSAS FOR DISTRIBUTION IN OTHER STATES WHERE LOTTERIES ARE LEGAL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. The General Assembly hereby recognizes that the present laws relating to lotteries are vague in certain areas and although designed to prohibit the operation of lotteries in the State, may be interpreted to prohibit even the printing of lottery tickets by companies in the State for distribution in other states where lotteries are legal; that there are companies in the State which print various types of tickets, stamps, tags, coupon books and similar devices and which may be interested in printing lottery tickets for states in which lotteries are lawful; and that it is the intent and purpose of this Act to clarify the present law relating to lotteries to specifically permit businesses in Arkansas to print lottery tickets for use in states where lotteries are lawful.

SECTION 2. The printing or other production of lottery tickets by businesses located in Arkansas for use in states in which lotteries are permitted is hereby declared to be lawful and nothing contained in Act 209 of 1939, Act 49 of 1961, or any other law shall be construed to make such printing or production unlawful.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that the present laws relating to the production, sale and possession of lottery tickets are somewhat vague and could be interpreted to prohibit the printing or other production of lottery tickets by companies in this State for use in states where lotteries are permitted; that the laws relating to lotteries were designed to prohibit the operation of lotteries in Arkansas and were not intended to prohibit the printing of lottery tickets for use where lotteries are permitted; that this Act is designed to clarify such laws and should be given effect immediately. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVED: April 8, 1987