

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1956 Session of
1997

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PIPPY, SEYFERT, WILT, PETRARCA AND BOSCOLA, OCTOBER 22, 1997

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 22, 1997

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 10, 1981 (P.L.214, No.67), entitled "An
2 act relating to the lawful conduct of bingo, prescribing
3 penalties and making a repeal," further providing for prize
4 limits.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 5(c)(3) and (d)(6) of the act of July 10,
8 1981 (P.L.214, No.67), known as the Bingo Law, amended December
9 15, 1982 (P.L.1299, No.293), are amended to read:

10 Section 5. Rules for licensing and operation.

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12 (c) Operation.--Each licensed association shall comply with
13 the following restrictions and rules governing the operation of
14 bingo:

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16 (3) Prizes awarded shall not exceed a value of \$250 for
17 any one game of bingo, except for jackpot games which shall

1 not exceed a value of \$2,000 for one such game. In addition,
2 no more than [\$4,000] \$8,000 in prizes shall be awarded in
3 any calendar day and not more than \$16,000 in prizes shall be
4 awarded in any single week.

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6 (d) Application for license.--Each association shall apply
7 to the licensing authority for a license on a form to be
8 prescribed by the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Said form shall
9 contain an affidavit to be affirmed by the executive officer or
10 secretary of the association stating that:

11 * * *

12 (6) The association in any calendar day will not award a
13 total of more than [\$4,000] \$8,000 in prizes.

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15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.