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## AN ACT

- Amending the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156), 1 entitled, as amended, "An act providing for the licensing of 2 eligible organizations to conduct games of chance, for the 3 licensing of persons to distribute games of chance, for the registration of manufacturers of games of chance, and for 5 suspensions and revocations of licenses and permits; 6 requiring records; providing for local referendum by 7 electorate; and prescribing penalties," further providing for 8 the definitions of "daily drawing," "games of chance" and 9 "law enforcement official," "weekly drawing"; adding 10 definitions of "a night at the races," "cash or merchandise bash," "coin auction," "monthly drawing," "selective raffle," 11 12 "Texas hold 'em card tournament" and "vertical wheel game"; 13 further providing for an additional exception to prize 14 limits; providing for a monthly drawing and carryover 15 exception; permitting concurrent operation of daily, weekly 16 17 and monthly drawings; permitting eligible organizations to impose a penalty of up to 50% of the amount of the prize if 18 19 winner not present at time of drawing; further providing for reporting requirements; repealing provisions relating to 20 location of games of chance, for off-premises games of chance and limited occasion licenses; further providing for 21 22 23 operation of games of chance with certain repeals; further providing for background checks, for distribution of certain 24 reports, for distribution of proceeds, for records, for 25 revocation of licenses, for enforcement authority, for powers 26 and duties, and abrogating regulations. 27
- 28 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 29 hereby enacts as follows:
- 30 Section 1. The definitions of "daily drawing," "games of

- 1 chance, " "law enforcement official" and "weekly drawing" in
- 2 section 103 of the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156),
- 3 known as the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, amended
- 4 February 2, 2012 (P.L.7, No.2) and October 24, 2012 (P.L.1462,
- 5 No.184), are amended and the section is amended by adding
- 6 definitions to read:
- 7 Section 103. Definitions.
- 8 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 9 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 10 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 11 \* \* \*
- 12 <u>"A night at the races." A game in which a participant places</u>
- 13 <u>a wager on a prerecorded horse race.</u>
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- 15 "Cash or merchandise bash." A game of chance in which a
- 16 participant purchases a ticket or tickets to attend an event
- 17 during which a random drawing of tickets occurs at certain timed
- 18 <u>intervals. The winner of the cash or merchandise prize is</u>
- 19 determined by a corresponding ticket number.
- 20 \* \* \*
- 21 "Coin auction." A game in which a participant buys a
- 22 numbered paddle for a chance to bid on a donated prize with the
- 23 winner determined by a random drawing of corresponding numbers.
- 24 "Daily drawing." A game of chance in which a bona fide
- 25 member selects or is assigned a number for a chance at a prize
- 26 with the winner determined by random drawing to take place [on
- 27 the licensed eligible organization's licensed premises] during
- 28 the same operating day. The term includes games of chance
- 29 commonly known as "member sign-in lotteries" and "half-and-half
- 30 lotteries." Daily drawing winners may be determined with the aid

- 1 of a passive selection device or reference to drawings conducted
- 2 by the department pursuant to the act of August 26, 1971
- 3 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law. Daily drawing
- 4 chances may not be sold for an amount in excess of \$1, and no
- 5 more than one chance per individual may be sold per drawing.
- 6 Nothing in this definition shall restrict an eligible
- 7 organization from conducting more than one drawing per day.
- 8 After the daily drawing is held a bona fide member may select a
- 9 number for a chance at a prize for the next day's daily drawing.
- 10 \* \* \*
- "Games of chance." Punchboards, <u>coin auctions</u>, <u>vertical</u>
- 12 wheel games, a night at the races, selective raffles, Texas
- 13 <u>hold'em card tournaments, cash or merchandise bashes</u>, daily
- 14 drawings, weekly drawings, monthly drawings, 50/50 drawings,
- 15 raffles and pull-tabs, as defined in this act, provided that,
- 16 except for vertical wheel games, no such game shall be played by
- 17 or with the assistance of any mechanical or electrical devices
- 18 or media other than a dispensing machine or passive selection
- 19 device and further provided that the particular chance taken by
- 20 any person in any such game shall not be made contingent upon
- 21 any other occurrence or the winning of any other contest, but
- 22 shall be determined solely at the discretion of the purchaser.
- 23 This definition shall not be construed to authorize any other
- 24 form of gambling currently prohibited under any provision of
- 25 Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes (relating to
- 26 crimes and offenses) or authorized under 4 Pa.C.S. (relating to
- 27 amusements). Nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize
- 28 games commonly known as "slot machines" or "video poker."
- 29 "Law enforcement official." A municipal police officer, a
- 30 member of the Pennsylvania State Police, excluding members of

- 1 the Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement, the sheriff of a
- 2 county or a deputy sheriff.
- 3 \* \* \*
- 4 "Monthly drawing." A game of chance in which a bona fide
- 5 member selects or is assigned a number for a chance at a prize
- 6 with the winner determined by random drawing to take place
- 7 during any operating month. Nothing in this act shall be
- 8 construed to prohibit the carrying over of a prize where the
- 9 <u>winning number has not been entered in the game in a particular</u>
- 10 month. Monthly drawing winners may be determined with the aid of
- 11 a passive selection device or reference to drawings conducted by
- 12 the Department of Revenue under the act of August 26, 1971
- 13 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law. Monthly
- 14 drawing chances may not be sold for an amount in excess of \$5.
- 15 After the monthly drawing is held, a bona fide member may select
- 16 <u>a number for a chance at a prize for the next month's drawing.</u>
- 17 \* \* \*
- 18 "Selective raffle." A game of chance in which a participant
- 19 buys a ticket or tickets for a chance to win a donated prize.
- 20 The participant places his or her ticket or tickets in a
- 21 designated location for the prize which he or she would like to
- 22 win. The winner for each prize is determined by a random drawing
- 23 of tickets with a corresponding number for the prize.
- 24 "Texas hold'em card tournament." A poker variant or
- 25 community card game where each player may use any combination of
- 26 five community cards and the player's own two hold cards to make
- 27 <u>a poker hand. In tournament format, a player may bet up to the</u>
- 28 amount of chips he possesses.
- 29 <u>"Vertical wheel game." A game in which a participant places</u>
- 30 a coin or chip on a color, number or word or purchases a ticket

- 1 containing a color, number or word and watches a spinning
- 2 vertical wheel until the pointer of the wheel rests on a section
- 3 of the wheel designating a winner. For the purposes of this act,
- 4 the term is not a "table game" as defined in 4 Pa.C.S. § 1103
- 5 <u>(relating to definitions).</u>
- 6 \* \* \*
- 7 "Weekly drawing." A game of chance in which a bona fide
- 8 member selects or receives a number or numbers for a chance at a
- 9 prize with the winner determined by a random drawing to take
- 10 place [on the licensed eligible organization's licensed
- 11 premises] at the end of a seven-day period. Weekly drawing
- 12 winners may be determined with the aid of a passive selection
- 13 device or reference to drawings conducted by the Department of
- 14 Revenue pursuant to the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91),
- 15 known as the State Lottery Law. Weekly drawing chances may not
- 16 be sold for an amount in excess of \$1. After the weekly drawing
- 17 is held a bona fide member may select a number for a chance at a
- 18 prize for the next week's weekly drawing.
- 19 Section 2. Sections 302 and 305(d) of the act, amended
- 20 February 2, 2012 (P.L.7, No.2), are amended to read:
- 21 Section 302. Prize limits.
- 22 (a) Individual prize limit. -- Except as provided under
- 23 subsections (d) [and], (d.1) and (m.1), the maximum prize which
- 24 may be awarded for any single chance shall be \$1,000.
- 25 (b) Aggregate prize limit.--No more than \$25,000 in prizes
- 26 shall be awarded from games of chance by a licensed eligible
- 27 organization in any seven-day period.
- 28 (c) Raffle prize limit. -- Up to \$10,000 in prizes may be
- 29 awarded in raffles in any calendar month.
- 30 (c.1) Total limit.--[All] Except as provided for in

- 1 <u>subsection (i), all</u> prizes awarded under this section shall be
- 2 subject to the aggregate prize limits under subsection (b).
- 3 (d) Exception for raffles.--Notwithstanding subsection (b)
- 4 or (c), a licensed eligible organization may conduct a raffle
- 5 and award a prize or prizes valued in excess of \$1,000 each only
- 6 under the following conditions:
- 7 (1) The licensing authority has issued a special permit
- 8 for the raffle under section 308.
- 9 (2) A licensed eligible organization shall be eligible
- 10 to receive no more than eight special permits in any licensed
- 11 term except that a volunteer fire, ambulance or rescue
- organization that is not a club licensee shall be eligible to
- 13 receive ten special permits in any licensed term.
- 14 (3) Only one raffle may be conducted under each special
- permit issued under section 308.
- 16 (4) Except as provided under subsection (d.1), the total
- of all prizes awarded under this subsection shall be no more
- than \$100,000 per calendar year.
- 19 (d.1) Additional award. -- A volunteer fire, ambulance or
- 20 rescue organization may, in addition to the total under
- 21 subsection (d)(4), award up to \$50,000 from raffles which shall
- 22 not be subject to the aggregate limit under subsection (b), (c)
- 23 or (d).
- 24 (f) Daily drawing carryover. -- The prize limitation contained
- 25 in subsections (a) and (b) may be exceeded by a daily drawing
- 26 under the following circumstances: a daily drawing may award a
- 27 prize in excess of \$1,000 if such prize is the result of a
- 28 carryover of a drawing which resulted from the winning number in
- 29 such drawing not being among the eligible entrants in such
- 30 drawings. Nothing contained herein shall authorize the prize

- 1 limitation as contained in subsections (a) and (b) to be
- 2 exceeded as a result of a failure to conduct a drawing on an
- 3 operating day during which chances were sold for a daily drawing
- 4 or for a daily drawing for which chances were sold in excess of
- 5 \$1 or for which more than one chance was sold to an eligible
- 6 participant.
- 7 (q) Additional exception. -- When a daily drawing [or], weekly
- 8 drawing or monthly drawing is set up or conducted in such a
- 9 manner as to pay out or award 100% of the gross revenues
- 10 generated from such drawing, the limitation contained in
- 11 subsection (b) shall not apply.
- 12 (h) Weekly drawing carryover exception. -- Weekly drawings
- 13 shall be governed by the prize limitation contained in
- 14 subsection (b). The prize limitation contained in subsection (b)
- 15 may be exceeded by a weekly drawing under the following
- 16 circumstances: a weekly drawing may award a prize where the cash
- 17 value is in excess of \$25,000 if such prize is the result of a
- 18 carryover of a drawing or drawings which resulted from the
- 19 winning number or numbers in such drawing or drawings not being
- 20 among the eligible entrants in such drawings. Nothing contained
- 21 in this chapter shall authorize the prize limitation under
- 22 subsection (b) to be exceeded as a result of a failure to
- 23 conduct a drawing for a week during which chances were sold for
- 24 a weekly drawing or for a weekly drawing for which chances were
- 25 sold in excess of \$1.
- 26 <u>(i) Monthly drawing carryover exception.--Monthly drawings</u>
- 27 <u>shall not exceed \$25,000. The prize limitation may be exceeded</u>
- 28 by a monthly drawing under the following circumstances, a
- 29 monthly drawing may award a prize where the cash value is in
- 30 excess of \$25,000 if such prize is the result of a carryover of

- 1 <u>a drawing or drawings which resulted from the winning number or</u>
- 2 numbers in such drawing or drawings not being among the eligible
- 3 entrants in such drawings. Nothing contained in this chapter
- 4 <u>shall authorize the prize limitation of \$25,000 to be exceeded</u>
- 5 <u>as a result of a failure to conduct a drawing for a month during</u>
- 6 which chances were sold for a monthly drawing or for a monthly
- 7 drawing for which chances were sold in excess of \$5.
- 8 (j) Concurrent operation. -- Nothing in this act shall
- 9 prohibit the concurrent operation of daily, weekly and monthly
- 10 drawings.
- 11 Section 305. Registration of manufacturers.
- 12 \* \* \*
- 13 (d) Exception. -- This section shall not apply to the
- 14 manufacture or distribution of raffle tickets, 50/50 drawings,
- 15 daily drawings [or], weekly drawings or monthly drawings.
- Section 3. Section 306 of the act, amended October 24, 2012
- 17 (P.L.1462, No.184), is amended to read:
- 18 Section 306. Regulations of department.
- 19 (a) Authorization. -- The department shall promulgate
- 20 regulations to:
- 21 (1) Impose minimum standards and restrictions applicable
- 22 to games of chance manufactured for sale in this
- Commonwealth, which may include standards and restrictions
- 24 which specify the maximum number of chances available to be
- sold for any single game of chance or prize and such other
- 26 standards and restrictions as the department deems necessary
- for the purposes of this chapter. The department shall
- consider standards adopted by the National Association of
- 29 Gambling Regulatory Agencies and other standards commonly
- 30 accepted in the industry.

- 1 (2) Establish procedures by which manufacturers may
- 2 register and distributors of games of chance may apply for
- 3 licensure on forms which the department shall provide.
- 4 Procedures shall include a requirement that manufacturer and
- 5 distributor applicants provide criminal history record
- 6 information obtained from the Pennsylvania State Police under
- 7 18 Pa.C.S. § 9121(b) (relating to general regulations) for
- 8 each officer and manager of the manufacturer's or
- 9 distributor's organization and for any other individual
- specified by the department. As used in this paragraph, the
- 11 term "criminal history record information" has the meaning
- given in 18 Pa.C.S. § 9102 (relating to definitions).
- 13 (3) Provide for the suspension or revocation of
- distribution licenses or manufacturer certificates for
- violations of this act or regulations of the department.
- 16 (4) Carry out other provisions of this act.
- 17 (a.1) Prohibition. -- Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 18 law, the department may not adopt a regulation, rule, quideline,
- 19 practice or procedure that prohibits an eligible organization
- 20 from imposing a penalty of up to 50% of the amount of a prize
- 21 for a daily drawing, weekly drawing or monthly drawing if the
- 22 <u>winner of the drawing is not present at the time of the drawing.</u>
- 23 (b) Limitation on recordkeeping requirements.--This section
- 24 shall not be construed to authorize the department to promulgate
- 25 regulations providing for recordkeeping requirements for
- 26 licensed eliqible organizations which require unreasonable or
- 27 unnecessary information or a repetitious listing of information.
- 28 The department shall strive to keep such recordkeeping
- 29 requirements from being an undue hardship or burden on licensed
- 30 eligible organizations. For individual prizes in excess of \$600,

- 1 records shall include the name and address of the winner. An
- 2 eligible organization shall not obtain or retain receipts of
- 3 prizes that are donated. An eligible organization shall provide
- 4 <u>each winner with a receipt of the value of the prize won, unless</u>
- 5 the prize is cash. Except as provided under section 701(b), the
- 6 department may not require the retention of records for a period
- 7 in excess of two years.
- 8 (c) Reporting requirements. -- Each eligible organization
- 9 which has proceeds in excess of [\$2,500] \$150,000 in a calendar
- 10 year shall submit an annual report to the department including:
- 11 (1) Prizes awarded as required under section 335 of the
- act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform
- 13 Code of 1971.
- 14 (2) Amounts expended for public interest purposes.
- 15 Section 4. Section 307 of the act, amended February 2, 2012
- 16 (P.L.7, No.2) and October 24, 2012 (P.L.1462, No.184), is
- 17 amended to read:
- 18 Section 307. Licensing of eligible organizations to conduct
- 19 games of chance.
- 20 (a) License required. -- No eligible organization shall
- 21 conduct or operate any games of chance unless such eligible
- 22 organization has obtained and maintains a valid license or
- 23 limited occasion license issued pursuant to this section. An
- 24 auxiliary group of a licensed eligible organization shall be
- 25 eligible to conduct games of chance using the license issued to
- 26 the eligible organization provided that the auxiliary group or
- 27 groups are listed on the application and license of the eligible
- 28 organization. An auxiliary group is not eligible to obtain a
- 29 license or a limited occasion license. No additional licensing
- 30 fee shall be charged for an auxiliary group's eligibility under

- 1 this chapter. Auxiliary groups shall not include branches,
- 2 lodges or chapters of a Statewide organization.
- 3 (b) Issuance and fees. -- The licensing authority shall
- 4 license, upon application, within 30 days any eligible
- 5 organization meeting the requirements for licensure contained in
- 6 this chapter to conduct and operate games of chance at such
- 7 locations within the county or in such manner as stated on the
- 8 application as limited by subsection (b.1). The license fee to
- 9 be charged to each eligible organization shall be \$100, except
- 10 for limited occasion licenses which shall be \$10. Licenses shall
- 11 be renewable annually upon the anniversary of the date of issue.
- 12 The license fee shall be used by the licensing authority to
- 13 administer this act.
- 14 [(b.1) Location of games of chance.--
- 15 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a
- licensed eligible organization, except a limited occasion
- 17 licensee, may conduct small games of chance at a licensed
- 18 premises. The licensed premises shall be indicated on the
- 19 eligible organization's license application. Only one license
- shall be issued per licensed premises. Except as provided
- 21 under paragraph (4), a licensed eligible organization may not
- 22 share a licensed premises with another licensed eligible
- organization; and no licensed eligible organization may
- 24 permit its premises to be used for small games of chance by
- another licensed eligible organization.
- 26 (2) Where there exists a location or premises which is
- 27 the normal business or operating site of the eligible
- organization and the location or premises is owned or leased
- 29 by that eligible organization to conduct its normal business,
- 30 that site shall be the eliqible organization's licensed

- premises. If that location consists of more than one building, the eligible organization shall identify the building that will be designated as the licensed premises.
  - a specific location to conduct its normal business, the eligible organization may make arrangements that are consistent with this act to establish a licensed premises, including leasing a premise under a written agreement for a rental; however, the rental may not be determined by either the amount of receipts realized from the conduct of games of chance or the number of people attending. An eligible organization may lease a facility for a banquet in connection with the serving of a meal based on a per-head charge.
- 14 Notwithstanding paragraphs (1), (2) and (3), if an 15 eligible organization is unable to conduct games of chance at 16 the location listed on its application and license due to 17 natural disaster, fire or other circumstance that renders the 18 location unusable, the eligible organization may submit a 19 written request to the district attorney to conduct games of 20 chance in a different location, including the licensed 21 premises of another eligible organization. The request must 22 include the change in the location and the dates and times 23 the games of chance will be operated at the alternative 24 location. The district attorney shall establish a limit on 25 the duration of the authorization to conduct games of chance 26 at the alternative location. Following the expiration of the 27 authorization period, the eligible organization must return 28 to the location specified in its application and license or 29 apply to the licensing authority for a new permanent location 30 for the conduct of games of chance. The district attorney may

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- 1 approve or deny the request or stipulate additional
- 2 requirements as a condition of approval. If an eligible
- 3 organization permits another eligible organization to use its
- 4 licensed premises to conduct games of chance under this
- 5 paragraph, the eligible organization shall cease its
- 6 operation of games of chance during the time the eligible
- 7 organization utilizing its premises is conducting its games
- 8 of chance.
- 9 (3.2) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1), (2) and (3), the
- 10 following eligible organizations established to raise funds
- shall not be required to conduct a 50/50 drawing or a raffle
- 12 at a licensed premises or to own, lease or establish a
- 13 licensed premises:
- 14 (i) A nonprofit sports team.
- 15 (ii) A primary or secondary school-sponsored club,
- sports team or organization.
- 17 (4) An eligible organization that has obtained a limited
- occasion license under subsection (b.3) may use another
- 19 eligible organization's licensed premises to conduct its
- 20 games of chance. When a licensed eligible organization is
- 21 permitting a limited occasion licensee to use its licensed
- 22 premises for purposes of games of chance, it shall cease the
- operation of its own games of chance during the period that
- the limited occasion licensee is conducting its games on the
- 25 premises.
- 26 (5) For purposes of major league sports drawings, the
- facility at which a major league sports team conducts its
- games shall constitute a premises for purposes of this act.
- 29 (b.2) Off-premises games of chance. -- Notwithstanding any
- 30 other provisions of this section, all of the following apply:

- 1 A licensed eligible organization may conduct games 2 of chance at a location off its premises when the games of 3 chance are part of an annual carnival, fair, picnic or banquet held or participated in by that licensed eliqible 4 5 organization on a historical basis. The licensed eligible 6 organization must notify, in writing, the district attorney 7 and licensing authority of the location, date and times of 8 the event where it will be conducting games of chance.
  - (2) Raffle tickets may be sold off the licensed premises in a municipality which has adopted the provisions of this act by an affirmative vote in a municipal referendum. A licensed eligible organization which plans to sell raffle tickets in a municipality located in a county other than the county in which the eligible organization is licensed shall notify that county's district attorney and licensing authority as to the location and the dates that the licensed eligible organization plans to sell raffle tickets.
- 16 17 18 (b.3) Limited occasion licenses. -- Eligible organizations 19 which do not own their own premises or which do not lease a 20 specific location to conduct their normal business may apply for 21 a limited occasion license to conduct games of chance on not 22 more than three occasions covering a total of seven days during 23 a licensed year. A limited occasion license entitles an eligible 24 organization to conduct no more than two raffles during a 25 licensed year where prizes may not exceed the established limits 26 for regular monthly raffles. Holders of a limited occasion 27 license may not apply or be granted any other license or special 28 permit under this act. No holder of a regular license or special 29 permit under this act shall apply or be granted a limited

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- 1 (b.4) Gambling facility prohibited. -- It shall be unlawful
- 2 for a person, corporation, association, partnership or other
- 3 business entity to offer for rent or offer for use a building or
- 4 facility to be used exclusively for the conduct of games of
- 5 chance. It shall also be unlawful for any eligible organization
- 6 to lease under any terms a building or facility which is used
- 7 exclusively for the conduct of games of chance.
- 8 (c) Display. -- Licenses issued pursuant to this section shall
- 9 be publicly displayed at the site where games of chance are
- 10 conducted.
- 11 (d) Operation. -- Each licensed eligible organization shall be
- 12 prohibited from the following:
- 13 (1) Permitting any person under 18 years of age to
- operate or play games of chance.
- 15 (2) Permitting any person who has been convicted of a
- 16 felony in a Federal or State court within the past five years
- 17 or has been convicted in a Federal or State court within the
- 18 past ten years of a violation of the act of July 10, 1981
- 19 (P.L.214, No.67), known as the Bingo Law, or of this act to
- 20 manage, set up, supervise or participate in the operation of
- 21 games of chance.
- 22 (3) Paying any compensation to any person for conducting
- any games of chance. Games of chance may only be conducted by
- 24 managers, officers, directors, bar personnel [and], bona fide
- 25 members of the eligible organization and any other person who
- is at least 18 years of age and authorized by the officers of
- 27 <u>the eligible organization</u>.
- [(4) Conducting games of chance on any premises other
- 29 than on the licensed premises or as otherwise provided by
- 30 this chapter.

- 1 (5) Leasing the licensed premises under either an oral
- or a written agreement for a rental which is determined by
- 3 either the amount of receipts realized from the playing of
- 4 games of chance or the number of people attending, except
- 5 that an eligible organization may lease a facility for a
- 6 banquet where a per head charge is applied in connection with
- 7 the serving of a meal. An eligible organization shall not
- lease such premises from any person who has been convicted of
- 9 a violation of this act or the Bingo Law within the past ten
- 10 years.]
- 11 (6) Purchasing games of chance, other than raffles,
- 50/50 drawings, daily drawings [and] weekly drawings and
- 13 <u>monthly drawings</u>, from any person other than a registered
- manufacturer or licensed distributor approved by the
- department.
- 16 (d.1) Bank account and records. -- The licensed eligible
- 17 organization shall keep a bank account to hold the proceeds of
- 18 games of chance, which shall be separate from all other funds
- 19 belonging to the licensed eligible organization. Account records
- 20 shall show all expenditures and income and shall be retained by
- 21 the licensed eligible organization for at least two years.
- 22 (e) Application for license. -- Each eligible organization
- 23 shall apply to the licensing authority for a license on a form
- 24 to be prescribed by the Secretary of Revenue. For a club
- 25 license, the application and each renewal application shall
- 26 include the most recent annual report filed by the club licensee
- 27 under Chapter 5. The form shall contain an affidavit to be
- 28 affirmed by the executive officer or secretary of the eligible
- 29 organization stating that:
- 30 (1) No person under 18 years of age will be permitted by

- 1 the eligible organization to operate or play games of chance.
- 2 (2) The facility in which the games of chance are to be 3 played has adequate means of ingress and egress and adequate 4 sanitary facilities available in the area.
- 5 The eligible organization is not leasing such premises from the owner thereof under an oral agreement, nor 6 7 is it leasing such premises from the owner thereof under a 8 written agreement at a rental which is determined by the 9 amount of receipts realized from the playing of games of 10 chance or by the number of people attending, except that an 11 eligible organization may lease a facility for a banquet 12 where a per head charge is applied in connection with the 13 serving of a meal.
- 14 (e.1) Proceedings.--Proceedings before the licensing
- 15 authority are subject to 2 Pa.C.S. Chs. 5 Subch. B (relating to
- 16 practice and procedure of local agencies) and 7 Subch. B
- 17 (relating to judicial review of local agency action).
- 18 (f) List of licensees. -- The licensing authority, on a
- 19 semiannual basis, shall send a copy of all licensees to the
- 20 department.
- 21 (g) List of municipalities. -- The licensing authority shall
- 22 include with any license or renewal license issued to an
- 23 eligible organization, an up-to-date listing of those
- 24 municipalities within the licensing county which have approved
- 25 the referendum question on small games of chance.
- 26 (h) Background checks. -- Each application for a license
- 27 submitted by an eligible organization which has proceeds in
- 28 excess of [\$2,500] \$150,000 in a year shall include the results
- 29 of a criminal history record information check obtained from the
- 30 Pennsylvania State Police, as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 9102

- 1 (relating to definitions) and permitted by 18 Pa.C.S. § 9121(b)
- 2 (relating to general regulations), for the executive officer and
- 3 secretary of the eligible organization making the application
- 4 for a license or any other person required by the department.
- 5 Applications shall not require the results of a criminal history
- 6 record information check for an individual serving as an
- 7 <u>executive officer or secretary who previously submitted such</u>
- 8 <u>information as an officer in that capacity with an application</u>
- 9 <u>under this section unless that person has been the subject of a</u>
- 10 criminal history information since the first submission of
- 11 <u>information for application under this section.</u>
- 12 Section 5. Sections 501(b), 502(a) and (a.1), 503 and 701 of
- 13 the act, amended or added February 2, 2012 (P.L.7, No.2), are
- 14 amended to read:
- 15 Section 501. Club licensee.
- 16 \* \* \*
- 17 [(b) Distribution.--The department shall provide a copy of
- 18 the report to the Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement.]
- 19 \* \* \*
- 20 Section 502. Distribution of proceeds.
- 21 (a) Distribution. -- The proceeds from games of chance
- 22 received by a club licensee shall be distributed as follows:
- 23 (1) No less than [70%] of the proceeds shall be paid
- 24 to organizations for public interest purposes in the calendar
- 25 year in which the proceeds were obtained. This paragraph
- 26 includes charity events, scholarship programs and other
- 27 <u>philanthropic events held by the club and available to club</u>
- 28 members, club member families and the general public.
- 29 (2) No more than [30%] 50% of the proceeds obtained in a
- 30 calendar year may be retained by a club licensee and used for

- 1 the following operational expenses relating to the club
- 2 licensee:
- 3 (i) Real property taxes.
- 4 (ii) Utility and fuel costs.
- 5 (iii) Heating and air conditioning equipment or
- 6 repair costs.
- 7 (iv) Water and sewer costs.
- 8 (v) Property or liability insurance costs.
- 9 (vi) Mortgage payments.
- 10 (vii) Interior and exterior repair costs, including
- 11 repair to parking lots.
- 12 (viii) New facility construction costs.
- 13 (ix) Entertainment equipment, including television,
- 14 video and electronic games.
- 15 (x) Other expenses adopted in regulation by the
- department.
- 17 (a.1) Amounts retained. -- Amounts retained by a club licensee
- 18 under subsection [(a)(2)] (a) shall be expended within the same
- 19 calendar year unless the club licensee notifies the department
- 20 that funds are being retained for a substantial purchase or
- 21 project. [Notification shall include a description of the
- 22 purchase or project, the cost and the anticipated date of the
- 23 purchase or project.]
- 24 \* \* \*
- 25 Section 503. Records.
- A club licensee shall maintain records as required by this
- 27 act or by the department, including invoices for games of chance
- 28 purchased. Records necessary to conduct an audit under section
- 29 702(b) shall be made available to [the Bureau of Liquor Control
- 30 Enforcement or other] any entity authorized to enforce this act.

- 1 Section 701. Revocation of licenses.
- 2 (a) Grounds. -- The following shall be grounds for suspension,
- 3 revocation or nonrenewal of a license:
- 4 (1) Any of the proceeds derived from the operation of
- 5 games of chance by an eligible organization are used for any
- 6 purpose other than for:

- (i) public interest purposes;
- 8 (ii) the purchase of games of chance; or
- 9 (iii) a purpose permitted by Chapter 5.
- 10 (1.1) Any of the funds derived from the operation of
- games of chance by a club licensee are used in a manner that
- does not comply with section 502.
- 13 (2) Any person under 18 years of age is operating or
- 14 playing games of chance.
- 15 (3) The eligible organization has permitted any person
- who has been convicted of a felony in a Federal or State
- 17 court within the past five years or has been convicted in a
- 18 Federal or State court within the past ten years of a
- violation of the act of July 10, 1981 (P.L.214, No.67), known
- as the Bingo Law, or of this act, to manage, set up,
- 21 supervise or participate in the operation of games of chance.
- 22 (4) The facility in which the games of chance are played
- does not have adequate means of ingress and egress and does
- not have adequate sanitary facilities available in the area.
- 25 (5) Any person or persons other than a manager, officer,
- director, bar personnel or a bona fide member of an eligible
- 27 organization or other person who is at least 18 years of age
- 28 authorized by the officers of the eligible organization have
- 29 been involved in managing, setting up, operating or running
- 30 games of chance.

- 1 (6) Any person has received compensation for conducting 2 games of chance.
- 3 (7) Any prize has been awarded in excess of the limits 4 permitted under this act.
- 5 (8) The eligible organization has violated any condition 6 of a special permit issued pursuant to section 308.
- 7 (9) The eligible organization conducts the games of 8 chance under a lease which calls for:
- 9 (i) leasing such premises from the owner thereof 10 under an oral agreement; or
  - (ii) leasing such premises from the owner thereof under a written agreement at a rental which is determined by the amount of receipts realized from the playing of games of chance.
- 15 (10) False or erroneous information was provided in the 16 original application or in any information provided to the 17 licensing authority or the department in any report.
- 18 (11) An eligible organization has been convicted of a
  19 violation of this act as evidenced by a certified record of
  20 the conviction.
- [(12) The eligible organization has permitted another eligible organization to conduct games of chance on its licensed premises without suspending its own operation of games of chance during the period that the other licensed eligible organization is conducting its games on the premises.]
- 27 (13) A club licensee has failed to file an accurate 28 report under section 501(a).
- 29 (14) A club licensee has failed to comply with section 30 502.

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- 1 (15) Failure to file reports under section 501.
- 2 (b) Production of records. -- The district attorney may
- 3 require licensees to produce their books, accounts and records
- 4 relating to the conduct of games of chance in order to determine
- 5 if a violation of this act has occurred. Licensees shall also be
- 6 required, upon request, to provide their license, books,
- 7 accounts and records relating to the conduct of games of chance
- 8 to the licensing authority[, the Bureau of Liquor Control
- 9 Enforcement] or to a law enforcement agency or official. A club
- 10 licensee shall retain records for a period of five years.
- 11 Section 6. Section 702(b), (c) and (d) of the act, amended
- 12 February 2, 2012 (P.L.7, No.2) and October 24, 2012 (P.L.1462,
- 13 No.184), is amended to read:
- 14 Section 702. Enforcement.
- 15 \* \* \*
- 16 [(b) Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement. -- If the licensee
- 17 is a club licensee, the Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement may
- 18 enforce the provisions of this act in accordance with subsection
- 19 (g). An administrative law judge under section 212 of the act of
- 20 April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, may
- 21 impose the penalties under subsection (d) following the issuance
- 22 of a citation by the bureau.
- 23 (c) Random audits. -- The Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement
- 24 shall conduct annual random audits of 5% of all club licensees.]
- 25 (d) Powers and duties. -- The licensing authority[, or, in the
- 26 case of a club licensee, the Bureau of Liquor Control
- 27 Enforcement, ] may impose the following penalties:
- 28 (1) A civil penalty.
- 29 (2) Suspension or revocation of the license.
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- Section 7. The provisions of 61 Pa. Code §§ 901.463(4)
- 2 (relating to raffle records), 901.464(9) (relating to punchboard
- 3 and pull-tab records), 901.464a(9) (relating to daily and weekly
- 4 drawing records), 901.466(1) (relating to prize records) and
- 5 901.733(f) (relating to control of prizes) are abrogated.
- 6 Section 8. This act shall take effect immediately.