

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY KOTIK, MASSER, MILLARD, READSHAW, DAVIS, McNEILL, DEASY, KORTZ, STURLA, MATZIE, SAINATO, KAVULICH, EVERETT AND MOUL, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAMING OVERSIGHT, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), entitled
 2 "An act providing for a State Lottery and administration
 3 thereof; authorizing the creation of a State Lottery
 4 Commission; prescribing its powers and duties; disposition of
 5 funds; violations and penalties therefor; exemption of prizes
 6 from State and local taxation and making an appropriation,"
 7 in State Lottery, further providing for definitions and for
 8 powers and duties of secretary and providing for keno
 9 authorization.

10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 11 hereby enacts as follows:

12 Section 1. Section 302 of the act of August 26, 1971
 13 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, is amended by
 14 adding definitions to read:

15 Section 302. Definitions.

16 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
 17 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
 18 context clearly indicates otherwise:

19 "Authorized establishment." A licensed establishment or a
 20 licensed lottery sales agent's place of business authorized
 21 under section 303.1 to operate keno.

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2 "Licensed establishment." A restaurant, bar, tavern, hotel,
3 golf course or club that has a valid liquor or malt or brewed
4 beverage license under Article IV of the act of April 12, 1951
5 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code.

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7 Section 2. Section 303(a) (1) of the act, amended October 31,
8 2014 (P.L.3041, No.201), is amended to read:

9 Section 303. Powers and duties of secretary.

10 (a) Powers and duties enumerated.--In addition to the powers
11 and duties provided by law and the act of April 9, 1929
12 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, the
13 secretary shall have the power and it shall be his duty to
14 operate and administer the lottery, and to promulgate rules and
15 regulations governing the establishment and operation thereof,
16 including, but not limited to:

17 (1) The type of lottery to be conducted, except that the
18 secretary may not authorize [the game of keno or] an Internet
19 instant game unless specifically authorized by law.

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21 Section 3. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

22 Section 303.1. Keno authorized.

23 The secretary shall permit the division to operate keno in
24 accordance with this section:

25 (1) Keno shall not be interactive.

26 (2) The frequency of keno games shall not exceed 15
27 drawings per hour.

28 (3) In no event shall more than three video display
29 monitors showing a single keno game be permitted in an
30 authorized establishment.

1 (4) Keno shall be connected to the division's central
2 control computer.

3 (5) Keno may only be installed in an authorized
4 establishment. A list of authorized establishments and sites
5 shall be published annually in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

6 (6) The secretary and the division shall mutually agree
7 upon the number of authorized establishments where keno will
8 be initially installed. Keno may not be installed in more
9 than 1,000 authorized establishments within the first year.
10 Thereafter, the expansion of keno shall be at the discretion
11 of the secretary and division for an orderly development of
12 keno to maximize revenue for the lottery.

13 (7) Retailer and vendor commissions that apply to
14 lottery games do not apply to keno in the discretion of the
15 secretary. The secretary may provide for commissions for
16 sales by authorized establishments at a higher percentage
17 than permitted, as of the effective date of this section, for
18 lottery sales agents, except that a percentage greater than
19 10% is subject to approval by the General Assembly.

20 (8) Revenues generated by the division under this
21 section shall be deposited in the State Lottery Fund.

22 Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.