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INTRODUCED BY EARLL, LAVALLE, KUKOVICH, KITCHEN, TARTAGLIONE, WOZNIAK, COSTA AND O'PAKE, FEBRUARY 6, 2003

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AN ACT

- Amending the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156), entitled, as amended, "An act providing for the licensing of eligible organizations to conduct games of chance, for the 3 licensing of persons to distribute games of chance, for the 5 registration of manufacturers of games of chance, and for suspensions and revocations of licenses and permits; 7 requiring records; providing for local referendum by 8 electorate; and prescribing penalties, "further defining "daily drawing." The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 10 11 hereby enacts as follows: 12 The definition of "daily drawing" in section 3 of 13 the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156), known as the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, amended December 19, 14 1990 (P.L.812, No.195), is amended to read: 15 16 Section 3. Definitions. 17 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall 18 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the 19 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 21 "Daily drawing." A game in which a bona fide member selects

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- 1 or is assigned a number for a chance at a prize with the winner
- 2 determined by [a] random drawing to take place on the eligible
- 3 organization's premises [during the same operating day]. The
- 4 term includes games commonly known as "member sign-in lotteries"
- 5 and "half-and-half lotteries." Nothing in this act shall be
- 6 construed to prohibit the carrying over of a jackpot where the
- 7 winning number has not been entered in the game on a particular
- 8 operating day. Daily drawing winners may be determined with the
- 9 aid of a passive selection device or reference to drawings
- 10 conducted by the department pursuant to the act of August 26,
- 11 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law. Daily
- 12 drawing chances may not be sold for an amount in excess of \$1,
- 13 and no more than one chance per individual may be sold [to an
- 14 individual during the same operating day.] per drawing. Nothing
- 15 in this definition shall restrict an eliqible organization from
- 16 <u>conducting more than one drawing per day.</u>
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- 18 Section 2. Section 5(e) and (h) of the act, amended or added
- 19 October 18, 2000 (P.L.602, No.79), are amended to read:
- 20 Section 5. Prize limits.
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- 22 (e) Limit on daily drawings.--Daily drawings shall be
- 23 governed by the prize limitations contained in subsections (a)
- 24 and (b). [An eligible organization shall not conduct daily
- 25 drawings during a period when a weekly drawing is taking place.]
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- 27 (h) Limit on weekly drawings.--Weekly drawings shall be
- 28 governed by the prize limitations contained in subsection (b).
- 29 The prize limitation contained in subsection (b) may be exceeded
- 30 by a weekly drawing under the following circumstances: a weekly

- 1 drawing may award a prize where the cash value is in excess of
- 2 \$5,000 if such prize is the result of a carryover of a drawing
- 3 or drawings which resulted from the winning number or numbers in
- 4 such drawing or drawings not being among the eligible entrants
- 5 in such drawings. Nothing contained in this act shall authorize
- 6 the prize limitations as contained in subsection (b) to be
- 7 exceeded as a result of a failure to conduct a drawing for a
- 8 week during which chances were sold for a weekly drawing or for
- 9 a weekly drawing for which chances were sold in excess of \$1.
- 10 [An eligible organization shall not conduct weekly drawings
- 11 during a period when a daily drawing is taking place.]
- 12 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.