

TRAXLER-MCCAULEY-LAW-BOWMAN BINGO ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 382 of 1972

432.103a Definitions; E to S.

Sec. 3a. (1) "Equipment" means the objects and mechanical or electromechanical devices used to determine or assist in determining the winners of prizes at events licensed under this act.

(2) "Event" means each occasion of a bingo, millionaire party, raffle, charity game, or numeral game licensed under this act.

(3) "Large bingo" means a series of bingo occasions that occur on a regular basis during which the total value of all prizes awarded through bingo at a single occasion does not exceed \$3,500.00 and the total value of all prizes awarded for 1 game does not exceed \$1,100.00, except that a prize awarded through a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game is not subject to these limitations.

(4) "Large raffle" means an event where the total value of all prizes awarded through raffle drawings exceed \$500.00 per occasion.

(5) "Location" means a building, enclosure, part of a building or enclosure, or a distinct portion of real estate that is used for the purpose of conducting events licensed under this act. Location also means all components or buildings that comprise 1 architectural entity or that serve a unified functional purpose.

(6) "Manufacturer" means a person licensed under section 11c who manufactures numeral game tickets for sale to suppliers for use in an event.

(7) "Michigan progressive jackpot" means a bingo game conducted in conjunction with a licensed large bingo occasion, where the value of the prize is carried forward to the next bingo occasion if no player bingos in a predetermined number of allowable calls. Michigan progressive jackpot may include bingo games conducted by more than 1 licensee that are linked together for the purpose of a common jackpot prize and consolation prize as prescribed by the commissioner.

(8) "Millionaire party" means an event at which wagers are placed upon games of chance customarily associated with a gambling casino through the use of imitation money or chips that have a nominal value equal to or greater than the value of the currency for which they can be exchanged.

(9) "Numeral game" means the random resale of a series of numeral game tickets by a qualified organization under a numeral game license or in conjunction with a licensed millionaire party or large raffle.

(10) "Numeral game ticket" means a paper strip on which preprinted numerals are covered by folding the strip and banding the folded strip with a separate piece of paper, if upon breaking the paper strip that bands the ticket, the purchaser discovers whether the ticket is a winning ticket and the purchaser may be awarded a merchandise prize.

(11) "Occasion" means the hours of the day for which a license is issued.

(12) "Principal officer" means the highest ranking officer of the qualified organization according to its written constitution, charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws.

(13) "Prize" means anything of value, including, but not limited to, money or merchandise that is given to a player for attending or winning a game at an event. A nonmonetary item is valued at its retail value. Prize does not include advertising material given away by a qualified organization in accordance with rules promulgated under this act.

(14) "Single gathering" means 1 scheduled assembly or meeting with a specified beginning and ending time that is conducted or sponsored by the qualified organization. Single gathering does not include the regular operating hours of a club or similar facility and does not include a meeting conducted solely for the purpose of conducting a raffle.

(15) "Small bingo" means a series of bingo occasions that occur on a regular basis during which the total value of all prizes awarded through bingo at a single occasion does not exceed \$300.00 and the total value of all prizes awarded for a single bingo game does not exceed \$25.00.

(16) "Small raffle" means an event during which the total value of all prizes awarded through raffle drawings does not exceed \$500.00 during 1 occasion.

(17) "Special bingo" means a single or consecutive series of bingo occasions during which the total value of all prizes awarded through bingo at a single occasion does not exceed \$3,500.00 and the total value of all prizes awarded for a single bingo game does not exceed \$1,100.00.

(18) "Supplier" means a person licensed under this act to rent, sell, or lease equipment or to sell charity game or numeral game tickets to qualified organizations licensed under this act.

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Compiler's note: For transfer of powers and duties of lottery commissioner and bureau of state lottery related to licensing and regulation of millionaire parties under bingo act to executive director of Michigan gaming control board, see E.R.O. No. 2012-3, compiled at MCL 432.91.

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