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**REVISE DEFINITION OF FRATERNAL
ORGANIZATION**

House Bill 5271

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Committee: Regulatory Affairs

Complete to 10-25-95

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5271 AS INTRODUCED 10-19-95

The Traxler-McCauley-Law-Bowman Bingo Act regulates bingo, millionaire parties, and other charitable gaming activities conducted by qualified organizations such as nonprofit religious, educational, service, senior citizens, veterans, and fraternal organizations. The bill would amend the act to revise the definition of fraternal organization. Currently, fraternal organization is defined as a nonprofit organization within the state that is not a college fraternity or sorority, and "that is a branch, lodge, or chapter of a national or state organization; and that exists for the common business, brotherhood, or other interests of its members". The bill would delete the word "business" and add the word "purpose," to read "common purpose, brotherhood, or other interests of its members".

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