AN ACT to license and regulate the conducting of bingo, millionaire parties, and certain other forms of gambling; to provide for the conducting of charity games, raffles, and numeral games; to provide for exemptions from licensing requirements under certain circumstances; to impose certain duties and authority upon certain state departments, agencies, and officers; to provide a tax exemption; and to provide penalties.


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The People of the State of Michigan enact:

ARTICLE 1

432.101 Short title.
Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Traxler-McCauley-Law-Bowman bingo act".


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432.102 Definitions; A to F.
Sec. 2. As used in this act:
(a) "Active service" and "active state service" mean those terms as defined in section 105 of the Michigan military act, 1967 PA 150, MCL 32.505.
(b) "Advertising" means all printed matter, handouts, flyers, radio broadcasts, television broadcasts, signs, billboards, and other media used to promote an event.
(c) "Bingo" means a game of chance commonly known as bingo in which prizes are awarded on the basis of designated numbers or symbols conforming to numbers or symbols selected at random.
(d) "Board" means the Michigan gaming control board created by section 4 of the Michigan gaming control and revenue act, 1996 IL 1, MCL 432.204.
(e) "Bureau" means the bureau of state lottery as created by section 5 of the McCauley-Traxler-Law-Bowman-McNeely lottery act, 1972 PA 239, MCL 432.5.
(f) "Charity game" means the random resale of a series of charity game tickets.
(g) "Charity game ticket" means a ticket commonly referred to as a break-open ticket or pull-tab that is approved and acquired by the bureau and is distributed and sold by the bureau or a supplier to a qualified organization, a portion of which is removed to discover whether the ticket is a winning ticket.
(h) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of state lottery appointed under section 7 of the McCauley-Traxler-Law-Bowman-McNeely lottery act, 1972 PA 239, MCL 432.7.
(i) "Coverall pattern" means a pattern required to win a bingo game in which all numbers on a bingo card are required to be called.
(j) "Educational organization" means an organization in this state that is organized not for pecuniary profit, whose primary purpose is educational in nature and designed to develop the capabilities of individuals by instruction in any public or private elementary or secondary school that complies with the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1 to 380.1852, or any private or public college or university that is organized not for pecuniary profit and that is approved by the state board of education.
(k) "Equipment" means the objects and mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic devices used to determine or assist in determining the winners of prizes at an event.
(l) "Event" means, in article 1, an occasion of bingo games, a raffle, a charity game, or a numeral game conducted under a license issued under article 1, and in article 2, an occasion of a millionaire party conducted under a license issued under article 2.
(m) "Executive director" means the executive director of the board, appointed under section 4 of the
Michigan gaming control and revenue act, 1996 IL 1, MCL 432.204.

(n) "Fraternal organization" means an organization in this state, other than a college fraternity or sorority, that meets all of the following criteria:

(i) Is organized not for pecuniary profit.

(ii) Is a branch, lodge, or chapter of a national or state organization or, only for the purpose of conducting a small raffle or a large raffle under this act, if not a branch, lodge, or chapter of a national or state organization, is exempt from taxation under section 501(c) of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 501.

(iii) Exists for the common purpose, brotherhood, or other interests of its members.


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432.103 Definitions; L to O.

Sec. 3. As used in this act:

(a) "Large bingo" means a series of bingo occasions that occur on a regular basis during which the total value of all prizes awarded for bingo games at a single occasion does not exceed $3,500.00 and the total value of all prizes awarded for 1 bingo 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.

(b) "Large raffle" means an event at which the total value of all prizes awarded through raffle drawings exceeds $500.00 per occasion.

(c) "Licensee" means a person, including a qualified organization, licensed under this act.

(d) "Location" means a building, enclosure, part of a building or enclosure, or a distinct portion of real property that is used for the purpose of conducting an event. Location includes all components or buildings that compose 1 architectural entity or that serve a unified functional purpose.

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

(f) "Member" means an individual who qualified for membership in a qualified organization under its bylaws, articles of incorporation, charter, rules, or other written statement.

(g) "Michigan national guard" and "military" mean those terms as defined in section 105 of the Michigan military act, 1967 PA 150, MCL 32.505.

(h) "Michigan progressive jackpot" means a bingo game conducted in conjunction with a licensed large bingo occasion in which the value of the prize is carried forward to the next bingo occasion if no player wins 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.

(i) "Millionaire party" means an event at which wagers are placed on 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.

(j) "Numeral game" means the random resale of a series of numeral game tickets.

(k) "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, so that on breaking the paper that bands the folded strip the purchaser discovers whether the ticket is a winning ticket.

(l) "Occasion" means the hours of the day for which a license is issued.
millionaire parties, and raffles, so that an organization which is organized under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act, including a candidate committee, political committee, political party committee, ballot question committee, or independent committee, is no longer qualified to receive a license to sponsor such gaming.

2) Permit a change in the single maximum prize or payout for a charity game sold by a licensed religious, educational, service, senior citizens, fraternal or veterans organization.

Should this law be approved?
Yes [ ]
No [ ]

Act 118 of 1994 was rejected by a majority of the electors voting thereon at the November 1996 general election.

Act 275 of 1995, which was approved by the governor on January 7, 1996, and filed with the secretary of state on January 8, 1996, provided for the amendment of Sec. 3 of Act 382 of 1972, as amended by Act 118 of 1994.

In Reynolds v Martin, 240 Mich App 84, 610 NW2d 597 (No. 210973)(2000), the Court of Appeals stated that the primary question raised in this appeal from the Barry County Circuit Court's decision granting declaratory relief to defendants is whether, under the constitutional provisions governing referendums, "the Legislature was without authority to pass 1995 PA 275 and thus reenact the provisions of 1994 PA 118, which was then subject to a referendum effort." The court concluded "that the Legislature had this authority and that, in exercising it, the Legislature did not undermine the referendum authority granted to the people by our constitution."

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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.103a Definitions; P to V.

Sec. 3a. As used in this act:
(a) "Person" means an individual, firm, association, corporation, or other legal entity.
(b) "Principal officer" means the highest ranking officer of the qualified organization according to its written constitution, charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws.
(c) "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 given away by a qualified organization in accordance with rules promulgated under this act.
(d) "Qualified organization" means, subject to subdivision (e), either of the following:
(i) A bona fide religious, educational, service, senior citizens, fraternal, or veterans' organization that operates without profit to its members and that either has been in existence continuously as an organization for a period of 5 years or is exempt from taxation under section 501(c) of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 501(c).
(ii) Only for the purpose of conducting a small raffle or a large raffle under this act, a component of the military or the Michigan national guard whose members are in active service or active state service.
(e) "Qualified organization" does not include a candidate committee, political committee, political party committee, ballot question committee, independent committee, or any other committee as defined by, and organized under, the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.201 to 169.282.
(f) "Raffle" means an event for which raffle tickets are sold and at which a winner or winners are determined, either by randomly selecting stubs from all of the raffle tickets sold for an event or by an alternative method that is approved in writing by the bureau, and a preannounced prize is awarded.
(g) "Religious organization" means any of the following:
(i) An organization, church, body of communicants, or group in this state that is organized not for pecuniary profit and that meets in common membership for mutual support and edification in piety, worship, and religious observances.
(ii) A society of individuals in this state that is organized not for pecuniary profit and that unites for religious purposes at a definite place.
(iii) A church-related private school in this state that is organized not for pecuniary profit.
(h) "Senior citizens organization" means an organization in this state that is organized not for pecuniary profit, that consists of at least 15 members who are 60 years of age or older, and that exists for their mutual support and for the advancement of the causes of elderly or retired persons.
(i) "Service organization" means either of the following:
(i) A branch, lodge, or chapter in this state of a national or state organization that is organized not for pecuniary profit and that is authorized by its written constitution, charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws to engage in a fraternal, civic, or service purpose in this state.
(ii) A local civic organization in this state that is organized not for pecuniary profit; that is not affiliated with a state or national organization; that is recognized by resolution adopted by the local governmental subdivision in which the organization conducts its principal activities; whose constitution, charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws contain a provision for the perpetuation of the organization as a nonprofit
organization; whose entire assets are used for charitable purposes; and whose constitution, charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws contain a provision that all assets, real property, and personal property must revert to the benefit of the local governmental subdivision that granted the resolution or another nonprofit organization on dissolution of the organization.

(j) "Small bingo" means a series of bingo occasions that occur on a regular basis during which the total value of all prizes awarded for bingo games 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.

(k) "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.

(l) "Special bingo" means a single or consecutive series of bingo occasions during which the total value of all prizes awarded for bingo games 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.

(m) "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.

(n) "Veterans' organization" means an organization in this state, or a branch, lodge, or chapter in this state of a state organization or of a national organization chartered by the Congress of the United States, that is organized not for pecuniary profit, the membership of which consists of individuals who were members of the armed services or armed forces of the United States. Veterans' organization includes an auxiliary of a veterans' organization that is a national organization chartered by the Congress of the United States.


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432.104 Application for bingo, raffle, charity game, or numeral game license; procedure, form, and contents.

Sec. 4. (1) An applicant for a license to conduct a bingo, raffle, charity game, or numeral game event shall submit to the bureau a written application on a form prescribed by the commissioner.

(2) The application under subsection (1) must include all of the following:

(a) The name and address of the applicant organization.

(b) The name and address of each officer of the applicant organization.

(c) The location at which the applicant will conduct the event.

(d) The day or dates of the event.

(e) The member or members of the applicant organization who will be responsible for the conduct of the event.

(f) Sufficient facts relating to the applicant's incorporation or organization to enable the commissioner to determine whether the applicant is a qualified organization.

(g) A sworn statement attesting to the nonprofit status of the applicant organization, signed by the principal officer of the organization.

(h) Other information the commissioner considers necessary.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.104a Issuance of license.

Sec. 4a. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3), if the commissioner determines that an applicant under section 4 is a qualified organization, is not ineligible under section 18, and has paid to the bureau the appropriate fee, the commissioner may issue 1 or more of the following licenses:

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(d) Large raffle.............................. $ 50.00 per drawing date
(e) Small raffle.............................. $ 15.00
(i) One to 3 drawing dates................. $ 15.00
(ii) Four or more drawing dates......... $ 5.00 per drawing date
(f) Annual charity game................... $ 200.00
(g) Special charity game................... $ 15.00 per day
(h) Numerical game......................... $ 15.00 per day

(2) Under extreme hardship conditions as determined by the commissioner, the commissioner may waive 1 or more requirements for a person to be a qualified organization under section 3a(d) to permit the licensing of a special bingo or raffle event, if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The organization applying for the license is a nonprofit organization.
(b) The entire proceeds of the event, less the actual reasonable expense of conducting the event, are donated or used for a charitable purpose, organization, or cause.
(c) None of the individuals connected with the conduct of the event is compensated in any manner for his or her participation.
(d) The organization complies with all other applicable provisions of this article and rules promulgated under this article.

(3) Under extreme hardship conditions as determined by the commissioner, the commissioner may allow an individual or a group of individuals to obtain a license to conduct a special bingo event or raffle if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The entire proceeds of the event, less the actual reasonable expense of conducting the event, are donated or used for a charitable purpose, organization, or cause.
(b) None of the individuals connected with the conduct of the event is compensated in any manner for his or her participation.
(c) The individual or group of individuals complies with all other applicable provisions of this article and the rules promulgated under this article.

(4) Each event license issued to a qualified organization under this section is valid for only the location included on the license.

(5) A license issued under this section is not assignable or transferable.

(6) A licensee shall ensure that the events conducted under a license issued under this section are conducted in compliance with the applicable provisions of this article and rules promulgated under this article.

(7) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a licensee shall only conduct events licensed under this section during the hours and on the date or dates stated on the license.

(8) In connection with an application for a small raffle license or a large raffle license, in determining whether a fraternal organization that is not a branch, lodge, or chapter of a national or state organization is a qualified organization, the commissioner shall only consider whether the organization meets requirements that are applicable under this article that are unrelated to whether the organization is a branch, lodge, or chapter of a national or state organization.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.105 Large or small bingo license; reissuance; expiration; limitations.

Sec. 5. (1) A large or small bingo license may be reissued annually upon the submitting of an application for renewal provided by the commissioner and upon the licensee’s payment of the appropriate fee. A small or large bingo license expires at 12 midnight on the last day of February.

(2) A qualified organization may hold more than 1 bingo license.

(3) A small or large bingo license shall be valid for not more than 1 day per week.

(4) Not more than 14 bingo licenses shall be issued for a 7-day period at any 1 location.

(5) A special bingo license may be issued for up to 7 consecutive days.

(6) A qualified organization may be issued up to 4 special bingo licenses per calendar year.

432.105a Recreational bingo; conditions.

Sec. 5a. Recreational bingo may be conducted by a senior citizens club, group, or home consisting of members who are 60 years of age or older without obtaining a license if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The bingo is conducted solely for the amusement and recreation of the members and guests of the senior citizens club, group, or home and not used for fund-raising.

(b) Only members, guests of members, and employees of the senior citizens club, group, or home may participate in the operation of the bingo.

(c) Players are not charged more than 25 cents for a bingo card, and the aggregate retail value of all prizes and merchandise awarded in a single day does not exceed $100.00.

(d) All revenue from the bingo is used for prizes and reasonable expenses incurred in operating the bingo, and no person is compensated solely for participating in the conduct of the bingo.


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432.105b Seating of persons with disabilities; chairperson.

Sec. 5b. (1) All laws applying to the seating of persons with disabilities apply at licensed bingo games.

(2) A person may be chairperson for more than 1 bingo only if the additional bingo licenses, for which the person will act as chairperson, are granted to the same qualified organization.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.105c Michigan progressive jackpot bingo.

Sec. 5c. (1) The value of a prize or consolation prize awarded during a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game is not subject to the prize limitations of section 3a(3).

(2) The prize awarded to the winner of a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game may be a predetermined amount that shall not exceed $500.00 or 50% of the card sales on the first bingo occasion.

(3) If a Michigan progressive jackpot prize is not won in the predetermined number of allowable calls, the game shall be played to its conclusion for a predetermined consolation prize that shall not exceed $100.00.

(4) If a Michigan progressive jackpot prize is not won in the predetermined number of allowable calls, the entire prize amount shall be carried forward to the next scheduled bingo occasion.

(5) When a Michigan progressive jackpot prize has been carried forward from a previous bingo occasion, the new prize amount shall include the entire amount carried forward, plus 50% of the card sales for the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game for the current bingo occasion.

(6) No arrangement of numbers other than a coverall pattern shall be required or allowed to win a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game.

(7) A Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall be played only on bingo cards that are approved by the commissioner.

(8) All cards for the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall be sold by the licensee at a uniform price with no discount for the purchase of more than 1 card.

(9) Whenever a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game is conducted, the licensee shall post a notice and announce the following information:

(a) The maximum number of allowable calls in which the player must complete a coverall pattern in order to win a Michigan progressive jackpot prize on that occasion.

(b) The prize amount offered to the winner of the Michigan progressive jackpot game and the consolation prize for that bingo occasion.

(c) The date the next bingo occasion will occur in that particular progression if the jackpot is not awarded.
(10) A Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall be conducted in the following manner:
   (a) On the first bingo occasion a player shall not be required to obtain bingo in less than the number of
       allowable calls as prescribed by the commissioner to win the jackpot prize.
   (b) The number of allowable calls required to win the jackpot shall be increased by 1 number on each
       successive bingo occasion for that licensee in a particular progression.
   (c) Once a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game has been started, the progressive jackpot prize shall
       be offered at each successive bingo occasion for that licensee until the jackpot prize has been won.
   (d) A Michigan progressive jackpot progression shall only be terminated or interrupted by 1 of the
       following:
          (i) Determining a winner of the Michigan progressive jackpot prize.
          (ii) Expiration, suspension, revocation, or surrender of the license to conduct bingo.
          (iii) A previously announced scheduled interruption, such as a legal holiday or other temporary closing.
          (iv) A valid emergency condition under which the licensee is unable to conduct the game.
   (11) Only 1 Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall be in progress at 1 time per bingo occasion.
   (12) Prizes for a Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game shall be awarded as follows:
       (a) The Michigan progressive jackpot prize shall be awarded to the player or players who complete the
           coverall pattern within the predesignated number of allowable calls.
       (b) A consolation prize shall be awarded on each bingo occasion at which a Michigan progressive jackpot
           game is played, except on the bingo occasion that the jackpot prize is won.
       (c) The consolation prize shall be awarded to the player or players who complete a coverall pattern on each
           bingo occasion, regardless of the number of calls in excess of the predesignated number of allowable calls
           required to win the Michigan progressive jackpot bingo game.
       (13) The jackpot prize shall be awarded by a check written from the licensee's financial account or in the
           manner prescribed by the commissioner.
       (14) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all other provisions of this act or rules promulgated
           under this act apply to the conduct of a Michigan progressive jackpot game.
       (15) If an organization's bingo license will expire or is suspended, revoked, or surrendered before the last
           bingo occasion of a particular progression, the jackpot prize shall be awarded and the winner determined on
           the last authorized bingo occasion regardless of the number of calls required to determine the winner.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.105d Small and large raffle licenses; issuance.

Sec. 5d. (1) A qualified organization may apply for an unlimited number of small and large raffle licenses.
(2) Only 1 small raffle license may be issued for a location each day.
(3) All drawing locations shall be the same if a small raffle license is issued for more than 1 date.
(4) A qualified organization is excused from the requirements of obtaining a license under this act if the
qualified organization is sponsoring a single gathering and conducts a raffle before which there is no presale
of tickets and the total aggregate retail value of the prize or prizes to be awarded that day is $100.00 or less.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.106 Event license; contents; display.

Sec. 6. (1) Each event license shall contain the name of the licensee, the location at which the licensee is
permitted to conduct the event, the day or days of the week or the dates on which the licensee is permitted to
conduct the event, the time during which the event will be conducted, and the expiration date for a large or
small bingo license or an annual charity game license.
(2) The licensee shall display the license conspicuously at the location where the event is being conducted at
times during the conduct of the event.


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Charity game license; issuance.

432.107b Charity game license; issuance.


Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to special licenses for conducting bingo.

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Sec. 7a. (1) All charity game tickets used in the conduct of a charity game shall be purchased by the qualified organization from the bureau or a supplier.

(2) The bureau shall determine the number of charity game tickets that constitute a charity game.

(3) The bureau shall determine the price at which the qualified organization shall resell each charity game ticket and shall have that price printed on each charity game ticket.

(4) The bureau or a supplier shall sell charity game tickets to a qualified organization that is eligible to conduct a charity game at a percentage, to be determined by the bureau, of the gross revenues that are realized by the resale of all the charity game tickets for that game at the price established by the bureau.

(5) The qualified organization shall retain 60% and the bureau shall retain 40% of the money obtained from the sale of charity game tickets.

(6) A qualified organization that conducts a charity game shall be solely responsible for paying prizes won by purchasers of winning charity game tickets.

(7) When all charity game tickets for a single charity game are resold, prizes distributed shall have an aggregate value of, as near as practicable, not less than 60% of the resale value of all the charity game tickets for that charity game.

(8) The bureau shall determine the number of winning charity game tickets provided on a random basis for resale for any 1 charity game and shall establish the value of the prize won by each winning charity game ticket.

(9) A charity game ticket shall not have a price for resale by a qualified organization of less than 30 cents.

(10) The bureau shall have a bureau control number for identification purposes imprinted upon each charity game ticket.

(11) A value of prizes awarded for a charity game shall not be included within the prize limitations of a licensed bingo game or millionaire party in conjunction with which the charity game is held.

(12) A charity game ticket shall not be sold to a person under 18 years of age. This subsection shall not prohibit the purchase of a charity game ticket by a person 18 years of age or older for the purpose of making a gift to a person under 18 years of age, and shall not prohibit a person under 18 years of age from receiving a prize or prizes won in a charity game conducted pursuant to this act.


Compiler's note: Act 118 of 1994, which was approved by the governor and filed with the secretary of state on May 12, 1994, provided for the amendment of Secs. 3 and 7a of Act 382 of 1972, known as the Traxler-McCauley-Law-Bowman Bingo Act, such amendments to be effective April 1, 1995. On January 31, 1995, a petition seeking a referendum on Act 118 of 1994 was filed with the secretary of state. Const 1963, art 2, sec 9, provides that no law as to which the power of referendum properly has been invoked shall be effective thereafter unless approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon at the next general election. A referendum on Act 118 of 1994 was presented to the electors at the November 1996 general election as Proposal A, which read as follows:

“Public Act 118 of 1994 would:

1) Change the definition of a qualified organization which is permitted to sponsor certain forms of gaming, including bingo, millionaire parties, and raffles, so that an organization which is organized under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act, including a candidate committee, political committee, political party committee, ballot question committee, or independent committee, is no longer qualified to receive a license to sponsor such gaming.

2) Permit a change in the single maximum prize or payout for a charity game sold by a licensed religious, educational, service, senior citizens, fraternal or veterans organization.

Should this law be approved?
Yes [ ]
No [ ]

Act 118 of 1994 was rejected by a majority of the electors voting thereon at the November 1996 general election.

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Popular name: Bingo Act
Sec. 7b. (1) The commissioner may issue an annual charity game license to a qualified organization for a location owned and operated by the qualified organization for the regular use of its members, or rented or leased on a continual basis for the regular use of its members.

(2) A qualified organization may be issued only 1 annual charity game license per year.

(3) An annual charity game license shall expire at 12 midnight on July 31 of each year.

(4) An annual charity game license may be reissued annually if the qualified organization submits an application for renewal provided by the commissioner and pays the appropriate fee.

(5) A qualified organization may be issued up to 8 special charity game licenses per calendar year.

(6) A special charity game license may be issued for up to 4 consecutive days.

(7) A qualified organization that is licensed to conduct bingo, a millionaire party, or large raffle may also sell charity game tickets and conduct a charity game at the same time and location and in conjunction with the licensed bingo, millionaire party, or large raffle without obtaining an additional license.

(8) The commissioner shall promulgate rules for the licensing, selling, and playing of, and financial record keeping for, charity games.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.107c Numeral game license; issuance.

Sec. 7c. (1) A numeral game license may be issued to a qualified organization to conduct a numeral game at a specific location for up to 7 consecutive days.

(2) A qualified organization that is licensed to conduct a millionaire party or a large raffle may also sell numeral game tickets and conduct a numeral game at the time and location and in conjunction with the event without obtaining an additional license.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.107d Numeral game tickets; prizes.

Sec. 7d. (1) All numeral game tickets used in the conduct of a numeral game shall be purchased by the qualified organization from a supplier. The logo or name of the manufacturer and the serial number must be visible before breaking the band on the ticket.

(2) The value of merchandise prizes offered at a numeral game shall be a minimum of 50% of the ideal gross receipts from the game. For the purposes of this subsection, “ideal gross receipts” means the total amount of receipts that would be received if every individual ticket in a series is sold at face value.

(3) Winning numbers for a numeral game shall be determined by use of a series of common ending numbers contained within the pool of numbers making up the numeral game. The winning numbers may not be determined randomly.

(4) The prize list, associated winning numbers, the total number of tickets offered, and rules of play shall be posted before the numeral game is offered for sale or any tickets are opened.

(5) A numeral game ticket shall not be sold to a person under 18 years of age. This subsection shall not prohibit the purchase of a numeral game ticket by a person 18 years of age or older for the purpose of making a gift to a person under 18 years of age, and shall not prohibit a person under 18 years of age from receiving a prize or prizes won in a numeral game conducted under this act.

(6) The licensee shall have available for inspection by an authorized representative of the bureau a copy of the invoice from the supplier showing the manufacturer's name and serial number for each numeral game being conducted at the site where the numeral game is being conducted.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.108 Disposition of fees and revenue; expenses; limitation.

Sec. 8. (1) All fees and revenue collected by the commissioner or bureau under this act must be paid into
the state lottery fund created under section 41 of the McCauley-Traxler-Law-Bowman-McNeely lottery act, 1972 PA 239, MCL 432.41. All necessary expenses incurred by the bureau in the administration and enforcement of any activity authorized by this act and in the initiation, implementation, and ongoing operation of any activity authorized by this act must be financed from the state lottery fund.

(2) All fees and revenue collected by the executive director or board under this act must be paid into the state lottery fund created under section 41 of the McCauley-Traxler-Law-Bowman-McNeely lottery act, 1972 PA 239, MCL 432.41. Except as provided in subsection (3), all necessary expenses incurred by the executive director or board in the administration and enforcement of any activity authorized by this act and in the initiation, implementation, and ongoing operation of any activity authorized by this act must be financed from the state lottery fund.

(3) All necessary expenses incurred by the executive director or board in the administration and enforcement of millionaire party activity authorized by this act and in the initiation, implementation, and ongoing operation of millionaire party activity authorized by this act must be financed from the internet gaming fund created under section 16 of the lawful internet gaming act, 2019 PA 152, MCL 432.316.

(4) The amount of necessary expenses incurred under subsection (1) must not exceed the amount of revenues received from the sale of charity game tickets and all fees collected under this act. At the end of each fiscal year all money, including interest, in the state lottery fund that is attributable to fees and revenue collected under this act but that has not been expended under this section must be deposited in the state general fund.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.109 Use of net proceeds of event; expenses.

Sec. 9. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the entire net proceeds of an event conducted under a license issued under this article must be devoted exclusively to the lawful purposes of the licensee. A licensee shall not incur or pay an item of expense in connection with holding, operating, or conducting an event except the following expenses in amounts that the commissioner determines to be reasonable:

(a) The purchase or rental of equipment necessary for conducting an event and payment of services reasonably necessary for the repair of equipment.

(b) Cash prizes or the purchase of prizes of merchandise.

(c) Rental of the location at which the event is conducted.

(d) Janitorial services.

(e) The fee required for issuance or reissuance of a license to conduct the event.

(f) Other reasonable expenses incurred by the licensee, not inconsistent with this article, as permitted by rule of the commissioner.

(2) A qualified organization described in section 3a(d)(ii) shall use the entire net proceeds of an event, after paying items of expense incurred in reasonable amounts in connection with the holding, operating, or conducting of the event and listed in subsection (1), only for the expense of training or purchasing goods or services for the support of the activities of the component.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.110 Management of event; compensation; equipment; advertising.

Sec. 10. (1) Only a member of the qualified organization shall participate in the management of an event.

(2) A person shall not receive any commission, salary, pay, profit, or wage for participating in the management or operation of a bingo event, a raffle, or a charity game except as provided by rule promulgated under this article.
(3) Except by special permission of the commissioner, a licensee shall conduct bingo games only with equipment that it owns, uses under a bureau-approved rental contract, or is purchasing or renting at a reasonable rate from a supplier.

(4) A licensee shall not advertise a bingo event except to the extent and in the manner permitted by rule promulgated under this article. If the commissioner permits a licensee to advertise a bingo event, the licensee shall indicate in the advertisement the purposes for which the net proceeds will be used by the licensee.


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The repealed section pertained to the conduct of a millionaire party.

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The repealed section pertained to the issuance of a millionaire party license.

Popular name: Bingo Act


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.111a Bingo hall license.

Sec. 11a. (1) Each applicant for a license or renewal of a license to operate a bingo hall under this act shall submit a written application to the bureau on a form prescribed by rule promulgated under this act.

(2) If the commissioner determines that an applicant is eligible and the applicant pays an appropriate fee, the bureau may issue a bingo hall license to operate a facility that will be rented to bingo licensees.

(3) A bingo hall license expires at 12 midnight on the last day of February, or if the applicant does not own the facility, on the expiration date of their lease or rental agreement if that date is prior to the last day of February of the current licensing period.

(4) The annual bingo hall licensing fee is $50.00 multiplied by the number of large or small bingo occasions that will be conducted during the 7-day week.

(5) To increase the number of large or small bingo occasions conducted under a bingo hall licensee’s original or renewal application, a hall licensee shall submit a written request on a form provided by the commissioner, plus an additional $50.00 for each large or small bingo occasion that will be conducted during the 7-day week that is in addition to the number of those occasions calculated under subsection (4).


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.111b Supplier of equipment, charity game tickets, or numeral game tickets; license; fee; report.
Sec. 11b. (1) An applicant for a license or renewal of a license to operate as a supplier of equipment, charity game tickets, or numeral game tickets to qualified organizations licensed under this act shall submit a written application to the bureau on a form prescribed by the commissioner.

(2) An applicant under this section shall pay an annual license fee of $300.00 at the time of the application.

(3) A supplier's license issued under this section expires at 12 midnight on September 30 of each year.

(4) The commissioner shall require suppliers authorized to sell charity game tickets, numeral game tickets, or both, to post a performance bond of not less than $50,000.00 and not greater than $1,000,000.00.

(5) A supplier shall remit to the bureau an amount equal to the qualified organization's purchase price of the charity game tickets less an amount that shall not be less than the sum of $.008 for each ticket sold plus 1.0% of the total resale value for all charity game tickets sold.

(6) For each numeral game sold, the supplier shall issue to the licensed organization an invoice listing the manufacturer and serial number of each game.

(7) A supplier shall collect a fee from a qualified organization for each game of numeral tickets sold that equals $5.00 per 1,000 tickets or any portion of 1,000 tickets.

(8) A supplier shall remit the fees collected under subsection (7) to the bureau by the fifteenth day of the month following the month in which the numeral game is sold. The commissioner may assess a late fee of 25% of the amount due against a supplier who fails to remit the fees by the required filing date.

(9) A supplier shall only display, offer for sale, sell, or otherwise make available to a qualified organization numeral game tickets that have been obtained from a manufacturer.

(10) A person who is directly or indirectly connected to the sale, rental, or distribution of bingo equipment, or the sale of charity game tickets or numeral game tickets, or a person residing in the same household as the supplier shall not be involved directly or indirectly with the rental or leasing of a facility used for an event.

(11) A supplier licensed under this section shall submit to the bureau a report as required by the commissioner regarding the sale or rental of equipment and the sale of charity game tickets and numeral game tickets.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.111c License to act as manufacturer.

Sec. 11c. (1) Each applicant for a license or renewal of a license to act as a manufacturer shall submit to the bureau a written application on a form prescribed by the commissioner.

(2) The annual license fee shall be $300.00.

(3) The license expires at 12 midnight on June 30 of each year.

(4) Only numeral games and numeral game tickets approved by the commissioner may be distributed to suppliers within this state.

(5) All records supporting the sale of numeral game tickets to suppliers shall be available upon request to an authorized representative of the bureau for inspection or audit and shall be kept by the manufacturer for not less than the calendar year in which the sale is made plus 3 additional years.

(6) Each manufacturer shall submit to the bureau a report as required by the commissioner regarding the sale of numeral tickets to suppliers.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.112 Enforcement, supervision, and administration of article; personnel; audit.

Sec. 12. (1) The bureau shall enforce and supervise the administration of this article. The commissioner shall employ personnel as necessary to implement this article.

(2) The bureau may select fraternal organizations that are not a branch, lodge, or chapter of a national or state organization to audit to ensure that the organizations are in compliance with this article.

Sec. 13. The commissioner shall promulgate rules pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, to implement this article.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.113 Rules.

Sec. 14. (1) A licensee under this article shall keep a record of each event as required by the commissioner. A licensee shall allow a representative authorized by the bureau to inspect a record kept under this subsection and all financial accounts into which proceeds from events are deposited or transferred during reasonable business hours.

(2) A licensee under this article shall file with the commissioner a financial statement signed by the principal officer of the qualified organization of receipts and expenses related to the conduct of each event as required by rule promulgated under this article. If the revenue from a bingo, raffle, numeral game, or charity game event is represented to be used or applied by a licensee under this article for a charitable purpose, the licensee shall file a copy of the financial statement with the attorney general under the supervision of trustees for charitable purposes act, 1961 PA 101, MCL 14.251 to 14.266.

(3) A licensee under this article shall allow an authorized representative of the bureau or the department of state police or a law enforcement officer of a political subdivision of this state to inspect the location or an intended location during business hours.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.114 Record of event; inspection of record; financial statement; inspection of location.

Sec. 15. The commissioner shall report annually to the governor and the legislature about the operation of events licensed under this article, abuses that the bureau may have encountered, and recommendations for changes in this act.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.115 Annual report of commissioner.

Sec. 16. (1) The commissioner may deny, suspend, summarily suspend, or revoke a license issued under this article if the licensee or an officer, director, agent, member, or employee of the licensee violates this article or a rule promulgated under this article. The commissioner may summarily suspend a license for a period of not more than 60 days pending prosecution, investigation, or public hearing.

(2) A proceeding to suspend or revoke a license under this article is a contested case governed by the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

(3) On petition of the commissioner, the circuit court after a hearing may issue subpoenas to compel the...
attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, papers, books, records, and other evidence before it in a matter over which it has jurisdiction, control, or supervision. If a person subpoenaed to attend in any such proceeding or hearing fails to obey the command of the subpoena without reasonable cause, or if a person in attendance in any such proceeding or hearing refuses, without lawful cause, to be examined or to answer a legal or pertinent question or to exhibit a book, account, record, or other document when ordered to do so by the court, that person may be punished as being in contempt of the court.

(4) With approval of the commissioner, a bingo hall licensee, in lieu of a suspension of its license, may elect to pay a fine equal to the amount of rent that would have been paid by bingo licensees during the period of the suspension. The bingo hall licensee shall pay this fine to the bureau on or before the date agreed to in the suspension agreement entered into by the bureau and the bingo hall licensee.


Compiler's note: For provisions of Act 306 of 1969, referred to in subsection (2), see MCL 24.201 et seq.

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The repealed section pertained to violations and penalties under the act.

Popular name: Bingo Act

432.118 Period of ineligibility after revocation or forfeiture of license.

Sec. 18. (1) A licensee whose license is revoked for violating this act or a rule promulgated under this act is ineligible to apply for a license for 2 years.

(2) A person convicted of an offense under section 51 or any other gambling offense is ineligible to serve as an officer of a licensee or to participate in conducting bingo, a millionaire party, raffle, numeral game, or charity game for 1 year after the conviction becomes final. If the person is licensed under this act, the person shall forfeit the license and is ineligible to apply for the issuance or reissuance of the license for 1 year after the conviction becomes final.


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Popular name: Bingo Act

432.119 Other penalties or disabilities inapplicable; applicability of MCL 169.201 to 169.282.

Sec. 19. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), any other law providing a penalty or disability upon a person who conducts or participates in a raffle, bingo, millionaire party, or charity game; who sells or possesses equipment used in conducting a raffle, bingo, or a millionaire party; who permits a raffle, bingo, a millionaire party, or a charity game to be conducted on his or her premises; or who does other acts in connection with a raffle, bingo, a millionaire party, or a charity game does not apply to that conduct if done under this act or rules promulgated under this act.

(2) Subsection (1) does not limit the application of the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.201 to 169.282, including, but not limited to, section 41 of the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.241, to fund-raising events conducted by or for the benefit of a committee that has filed or is required to file a statement of organization under the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.201 to 169.282.


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The repealed section pertained to the effective date of the act.

Popular name: Bingo Act

ARTICLE 2

432.132 Definitions; B to L; application of definitions in article 1.

Sec. 32. (1) As used in this article:
(a) "Bona fide member" means a member who participates in the qualified organization to further its lawful purposes and the spouse of such a member.
(b) "Dealer" means an individual who does any of the following in a millionaire party game:
(i) Performs the act of dealing.
(ii) Assists in supervising the dealers.
(iii) Provides technical advice to the millionaire party chairperson.
(c) "Demarcated area" means the physical area in which licensed millionaire party gaming will be conducted, the boundaries of which are marked with rope or tape or separated in an access-controlled area of the location.
(d) "Lawful purpose" means a purpose that would qualify an organization to be exempt from taxation under subsection 501(c) of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 501.
(e) "Lessor" means a person who rents a location to a millionaire party licensee for the purpose of conducting an event.
(f) "Location owner" means the person that owns a location or an employee or agent of the person.
(2) The definitions in sections 2, 3, and 3a and the rules promulgated under this act apply to this article, unless a term defined in 1 of those sections is defined differently in this article.


Popular name: Bingo Act

432.133 Application for millionaire party license; procedure, form, and contents.

Sec. 33. (1) An applicant for a license to conduct a millionaire party shall submit to the executive director a written application on a form prescribed by the executive director.
(2) The application under subsection (1) must include all of the following:
(a) The name and address of the applicant.
(b) The name and address of each officer of the applicant.
(c) The name of each individual who will serve as a dealer at the event and, as to each individual, whether the individual has been convicted of, forfeited bond on a charge of, or pled guilty to any of the following:
(i) A felony.
(ii) A gambling offense.
(iii) Criminal fraud.
(iv) Forgery.
(v) Larceny.
(vi) Filing a false report with a governmental agency.
(d) The location at which the applicant will conduct the event.
(e) A description of the demarcated area for the event and an explanation of how the demarcated area will be marked.
(f) The dates of the event.
(g) Sufficient facts relating to the applicant's incorporation or organization to enable the executive director to determine whether the applicant is a qualified organization.
(h) A sworn statement attesting to the nonprofit status of the applicant, signed by the principal officer of the applicant.
(i) Other information the executive director considers necessary.


Popular name: Bingo Act

432.134 Issuance of millionaire party license; conditions; limitations; fee.
Sec. 34. (1) If the executive director determines that an applicant for a millionaire party license is a qualified organization and otherwise eligible and suitable and the applicant paid to this state a fee of $50.00 per day that the applicant proposes to conduct the millionaire party, the executive director may issue a millionaire party license to the applicant.

(2) A qualified organization may be issued up to 4 millionaire party licenses in 1 calendar year. Each license is valid for only 1 location as stated on the license.

(3) A millionaire party license may be issued for up to 4 consecutive days.

(4) The executive director shall not issue more than 1 millionaire party license to a qualified organization for any 1 day.

(5) The executive director shall not issue millionaire party licenses that would allow more than 2 millionaire party events to be conducted at a single location on the same date or at the same time.

(6) The executive director shall not issue millionaire party licenses that would allow millionaire party events to be conducted more than 4 days per week at a single location.

(7) A millionaire party license must state the hours for each event day on which the millionaire party may be conducted. The executive director shall not permit a millionaire party to begin before 8 a.m. or continue past 2 a.m. on the following day.


Popular name: Bingo Act

432.135 Compliance required; assignability or transferability.

Sec. 35. (1) A millionaire party licensee shall comply with this act and the rules promulgated under this act.

(2) A millionaire party licensee shall comply with the terms and requirements of the license.

(3) A millionaire party license is not assignable or transferrable, and a licensee shall not assign or transfer a millionaire party license.


Popular name: Bingo Act

432.136 Advertising of millionaire party.

Sec. 36. (1) A millionaire party licensee may advertise the event if the advertising complies with rules promulgated under this article.

(2) An advertisement under this section must state the purposes for which the proceeds from the event will be used.


Popular name: Bingo Act

432.137 Written rental agreement; requirements; location owner or lessor; prohibited conduct.

Sec. 37. (1) A millionaire party licensee shall not enter into an agreement with a location owner or lessor unless the agreement is expressed in a written rental agreement that is approved by the executive director.

(2) A location owner or lessor, a partner, member, director, officer, agent, or employee of a location owner or lessor, a shareholder of a privately held corporation that is a location owner or lessor, or a person residing in the same household as any of these shall not do any of the following:

(a) Be an officer of a qualified organization conducting a millionaire party at the location.

(b) Participate as a player in any event being conducted at the location.

(c) Participate in any aspect of an event being conducted at the location, including providing dealers, equipment, or workers, unless all of the following conditions exist:

(i) The location is owned or rented by a qualified organization and used by the qualified organization on a continual basis for the regular use of its members.

(ii) The qualified organization is the millionaire party licensee and is conducting the event.

(iii) The executive director has granted a waiver for the participation.


Popular name: Bingo Act

432.138 Supplier of equipment; approval of rental agreement required.

Sec. 38. A millionaire party licensee shall only conduct an event with equipment that it owns, rents from another qualified organization under a rental agreement approved by the executive director, or purchases or rents from a supplier.
432.139 Limitation on dealers; compliance required.
Sec. 39. (1) A millionaire party licensee shall use only the following as dealers at an event:
(a) A bona fide member.
(b) An employee of a supplier.
(2) An individual shall not act as a dealer if the individual has been convicted of, forfeited bond on a charge of, or pled guilty to any of the following offenses:
(a) A felony.
(b) A gambling offense.
(c) Criminal fraud.
(d) Forgery.
(e) Larceny.
(f) Filing a false report with a governmental agency.
(3) An individual who is not listed as a dealer on the application for a millionaire party license shall not act as a dealer at an event conducted under the license.
(4) A millionaire party licensee shall ensure that the dealers at an event conducted under the license comply with this act, rules promulgated under this act, and any directives of the executive director.

432.140 Bona fide members; presence required; duties of members; prohibited conduct.
Sec. 40. (1) The executive director shall not require more than 2 bona fide members of the millionaire party licensee, not including any bona fide member acting as a dealer, to be present at all times during an event.
(2) If fewer than 2 bona fide members are present at any time during an event, the millionaire party licensee shall immediately report this to the executive director. The executive director may require the licensee to stop conducting the event.
(3) One of the bona fide members listed on the application for the millionaire party license shall act as the millionaire party chairperson. An individual shall not serve as chairperson of millionaire parties conducted by more than 1 qualified organization during a calendar year.
(4) A bona fide member of a millionaire party licensee who is present at the event shall wear a vest, button, or other distinctive apparel to identify the bona fide member as a member of the millionaire party licensee and as not being an employee or agent of the location owner, lessor, or supplier.
(5) Unless permitted by this act, a rule promulgated under this act, or written authorization of the executive director, only a bona fide member of the millionaire party licensee may perform any of the following duties at an event conducted under the license:
(a) Monitoring a game or verifying that the game is conducted in conformance with the rules of the game.
(b) Verifying the age of a player.
(6) A bona fide member of a millionaire party licensee shall not play a game at an event at which the bona fide member is working or assisting.
(7) A bona fide member of a millionaire party licensee shall not share in a prize awarded at an event at which the bona fide member is working or assisting.
(8) A bona fide member of a millionaire party licensee shall not purchase, play, or accept a charity game ticket or numeral game ticket offered for sale by the licensee at an event at which the bona fide member is working or assisting.
(9) A bona fide member of a millionaire party licensee shall not split a prize with a player or accept a tip of any kind at an event conducted under the license, unless the tip is a cash tip given to the bona fide member for serving as a dealer at the event.

432.141 Millionaire party licensee; requirements; prohibited conduct; individual less than 18 years old; alcoholic beverages; limitation on exchange for imitation money or chips; conduct of charity game or numeral game.
Sec. 41. (1) A millionaire party licensee shall ensure that an event conducted under the license is conducted in compliance with this act and the rules promulgated under this act.
(2) A millionaire party licensee shall post the license so that it is conspicuously visible at the location where the event is being conducted at all times during the event.

(3) A millionaire party licensee shall not conduct gaming under the license anywhere outside of the demarcated area approved by the executive director.

(4) A millionaire party licensee shall ensure that access to the demarcated area is controlled.

(5) A millionaire party licensee shall not allow an individual who is less than 18 years old to enter the demarcated area when gaming is being conducted there.

(6) If alcoholic beverages are served at an event, an individual in the demarcated area who is 18 years old or older but less than 21 years old must be identified by wearing a mark indicating that a member or agent of the millionaire party licensee has verified the individual's age and identification.

(7) A millionaire party licensee shall not receive more than $20,000.00 in exchange for imitation money or chips on any day under the license. However, if the licensee conducts the millionaire party without using dealers from a supplier and owns the location at which the millionaire party is held and if the license is for fewer than 4 days of gaming, the daily limit under this subsection is determined by dividing $80,000.00 by the number of days of gaming allowed under the license.

(8) A millionaire party licensee may conduct a charity game as provided in section 7b and may conduct a numeral game as provided in section 7c. If a millionaire party licensee conducts a charity game or a numeral game, the executive director has sole enforcement and supervision authority over the conduct of the game.


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### 432.142 Payment of expenses; compensation.

**Sec. 42.** (1) A millionaire party licensee shall not pay an expense related to an event unless all of the following apply:

(a) The expense is incurred in connection with the conduct of the event.

(b) The expense is necessary and reasonable and falls into 1 of the following categories of expense:

(i) The purchase or rental of equipment necessary for conducting the event and payment of services reasonably necessary for the repair of equipment.

(ii) Cash prizes or the purchase of prizes of merchandise.

(iii) Rental of the location at which the event is conducted. The rental expense must not exceed $250.00 for each event day.

(iv) Janitorial services.

(v) The fee required for issuance or reissuance of a license to conduct the event.

(vi) Other reasonable expenses incurred by the licensee, not inconsistent with this act, as permitted by rule promulgated under this act.

(c) The expense is itemized.

(d) The expense is approved by the executive director in writing before the event.

(2) A millionaire party licensee shall not accept any compensation in connection with an event unless the compensation is expressly authorized by this article or a rule promulgated under this article.

(3) A millionaire party licensee shall not expend more than 45% of the gross profit from an event to pay expenses incurred in connection with the event.

(4) A person shall not accept any commission, salary, pay, profit, or wage for participating in the management or operation of a millionaire party except as allowed under a rule promulgated under this act.


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### 432.142a Direct or indirect relationship with supplier of equipment; prohibit.

**Sec. 42a.** A person who is directly or indirectly connected to the sale, rental, or distribution of millionaire party equipment or a person residing in the same household as the supplier shall not be involved directly or indirectly with the rental or leasing of a facility used for an event.


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### 432.143 Record of event; inspection of record; financial statement; inspection of location.

**Sec. 43.** (1) A millionaire party licensee shall keep a record of each event as required by the executive director.

(2) The millionaire party licensee shall allow an authorized representative of the executive director to inspect during reasonable business hours a record kept under subsection (1) and all financial accounts into
which proceeds from the event are deposited or transferred.

(3) A millionaire party licensee shall file with the executive director a financial statement signed by the principal officer of the qualified organization. The financial statement must contain a list of the qualified members of the millionaire party licensee who were present as to each event and a disclosure of receipts and expenses related to the conduct of each event as required by rule promulgated under this act. If the revenue from a millionaire party is represented to be used or applied by a millionaire party licensee for a charitable purpose, the licensee shall file a copy of the financial statement with the attorney general under the supervision of trustees for charitable purposes act, 1961 PA 101, MCL 14.251 to 14.266.

(4) A millionaire party licensee and a location owner or lessee shall allow an authorized representative of the executive director or the state police or a peace officer of a political subdivision in which the event is being conducted to inspect the location, or an intended location, during business hours.


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432.146 Application for supplier to millionaire party; form; fee; list of dealers; report of supplier activity; conspiracy prohibited.

Sec. 46. (1) A person that applies for a license or renewal of a license to operate as a supplier to millionaire party licensees shall submit a written application to the executive director on a form prescribed by the executive director.

(2) An applicant under this section shall pay an annual license fee of $300.00 at the time of the application.

(3) If an applicant under this section wishes to provide dealers to millionaire party licensees, the applicant shall include with its application a list containing the name of each individual who will work for the applicant as a dealer at millionaire parties and, as to each individual, whether the individual has been convicted of, forfeited bond on a charge of, or pled guilty to any of the following:

(a) A felony.
(b) A gambling offense.
(c) Criminal fraud.
(d) Forgery.
(e) Larceny.
(f) Filing a false report with a governmental agency.

(4) If, after the application is submitted as described in subsection (1) or after the suppliers license is issued, there are any changes in the individuals who will work for the supplier as dealers at millionaire parties, the applicant or supplier shall immediately provide an updated list containing all of the information required under subsection (3).

(5) A supplier licensed under this section shall submit to the executive director reports as required by the executive director regarding the supplier's activities under this article.

(6) A supplier's license expires at 12 midnight on September 30 of each year.

(7) A person shall not obtain a supplier license on behalf of another person. A person shall not have another person obtain a supplier license on the person's behalf. A person, other than a person approved by the executive director, shall not directly or indirectly receive a payment from, pay an expense for, or have an ownership or equity stake in, a supplier.

(8) Two or more persons shall not conspire for 1 or more persons to obtain a supplier's license for the purpose of allowing any person who is not a supplier to enjoy the benefits of the license.


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432.148 Enforcement; supervision; and administration of article.

Sec. 48. The executive director shall enforce and supervise the administration of this article. The executive director shall employ personnel as necessary to implement this article.


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432.149 Rules.

Sec. 49. (1) Any rules promulgated by the executive director under this act before the effective date of the amendatory act that added this article remain in effect unless directly inconsistent with the amendatory act that added this article.

(2) The executive director may promulgate rules pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, to implement this article.
432.150 Denial, suspension, or revocation of license; procedure; subpoenas; fine; period of ineligibility after revocation.

Sec. 50. (1) The executive director may deny, suspend, summarily suspend, or revoke a license issued under this article if the licensee or an officer, director, agent, member, or employee of the licensee violates this article or a rule promulgated under this article. The executive director may summarily suspend a license for a period of not more than 60 days pending prosecution, investigation, or public hearing.

(2) A proceeding to suspend or revoke a license is a contested case and must be conducted in accordance with the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

(3) On petition of the executive director, the circuit court after a hearing may issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, papers, books, records, and other evidence before it in a matter over which the executive director has jurisdiction, control, or supervision under this article. If a person subpoenaed to attend in any such proceeding or hearing fails to obey the command of the subpoena without reasonable cause, or if a person in attendance in any such proceeding or hearing refuses, without lawful cause, to be examined or to answer a legal or pertinent question or to exhibit a book, account, record, or other document when ordered to do so by the court, the person may be punished as being in contempt of the court.

(4) For each violation of this act, any rules promulgated under this act, or any order issued under this act, the executive director may impose a civil penalty of up to $2,500.00 and may issue a cease and desist order, or obtain injunctive relief. In addition to any civil penalty imposed under this subsection, a person may be liable for a fine of up to the amount of any illegal payments made or received.

(5) A qualified organization, a millionaire party chairperson, and a principal officer are jointly and severally liable for any penalties and fines levied under subsection (4).

(6) A supplier and the owners and co-owners of a supplier are jointly and severally liable for any penalties and fines levied under subsection (4).

(7) A person whose license is revoked under this section is ineligible to apply for a license for 5 years.


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432.151 Violations; penalty.

Sec. 51. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), a person who willfully violates this act is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 6 months or a fine of not more than $1,000.00, or both, for doing any of the following:

(a) Cheating at an event.

(b) Using millionaire party proceeds for something other than a lawful purpose of the qualified organization.

(c) Knowingly making a wager if the person is less than 18 years of age or permitting a person who is less than 18 years of age to make a wager.

(d) Using chips not authorized for use at a millionaire party.

(e) Willfully failing to appear before and provide an item to the executive director at the time and place specified in a subpoena issued by the executive director.

(f) Willfully refusing, without just cause, to testify or provide items in an answer to a subpoena or subpoena duces tecum issued by the executive director.

(g) For a location owner or lessor, a shareholder of a privately held corporation that owns or leases a location, a partner or officer, an agent or employee of a lessor, or an individual residing in the same household as a location owner or lessor, a shareholder of a privately held corporation that owns or leases a location, or a partner, officer, or agent of a location owner, making or receiving a payment from any person, other than for the preapproved payment of rent, for any aspect of a millionaire party. This subdivision does not apply to the sale of food or drink.

(h) Conducting or permitting a person who is not licensed under this act to conduct activities required to be licensed under this act.

(i) Violating section 46(7) or (8).

(2) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than $2,500.00, or both for doing any of the following:

(a) Knowingly making a false statement on an application for a license under this act.

(b) Knowingly making a false statement, orally or in writing, to the executive director or his or her
authorized representative.

(3) A person convicted under this section is ineligible to receive or maintain a license under this act.

(4) In addition to the fines provided in this section, a person may be liable for a fine up to the amount of any payments made or received in violation of this act.

(5) This section does not prohibit a person who violates this act from being charged with, convicted of, or punished for any other violation of law, including the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.1 to 750.568, and the Michigan gaming control and revenue act, 1996 IL 1, MCL 432.201 to 432.226.


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432.152 Annual report to governor and legislature.

Sec. 52. The executive director shall report annually to the governor and the legislature about the operation of events licensed under this article, abuses that the executive director may have encountered, and recommendations for changes in this act.


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