# Bill as Introduced

### SB 136-FN – AS INTRODUCED

#### 2011 SESSION

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SENATE BILL 136-FN

AN ACT relative to games of chance.

SPONSORS: Sen. Odell, Dist 8

COMMITTEE: Ways and Means

#### ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Defines different types of game operators.

II. Requires that game operators pay charities participating in charitable gaming no later than 15 calendar days following a game date.

III. Raises the amount of bond required for conducting games of chance.

IV. Requires charitable organizations to collect certain fees on Lucky 7 deals and pay them to the racing and charitable gaming commission.

V. Allows private campgrounds and hotels to conduct certain bingo games without a license.

Explanation:

Matter added to current law appears in *bold italics*.

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#### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eleven

AN ACT

relative to games of chance.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 Unclaimed Ticket Vouchers. Amend RSA 284:31 to read as follows:

2 Unclaimed Ticket Money. On or before January 31 of each year every person, 284:31 3 association, or corporation conducting a race or race meet, whether live racing or simulcast racing, 4 hereunder shall pay to the state treasurer all moneys collected during the previous year of pari-5 mutuel pool tickets and vouchers which have not been redeemed. The books or records of said person, association, or corporation, which clearly show the tickets entitled to reimbursement in any 6 given race, live or simulcast, shall be forwarded to the commission. Such moneys shall become a part 7 of the general funds of the state. The state treasurer shall pay the amount due on any ticket or 8 9 voucher to the holder thereof from funds not otherwise appropriated upon an order from the 10 commission. Pari-mutuel tickets and vouchers which remain unclaimed after 11 months shall not be paid. 11

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2 Definitions; Game Operator. Amend RSA 287-D:1, V to read as follows:

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V. "Game operator" means:

14 (a) ["Primary game operator" which means any consultant or any person other than a bona fide member of the charitable organization, involved in conducting, managing, supervising, 1516 directing, or running the games of chance; or

(b)-"Secondary game operator" which means any person other than a bona fide member 17 18 of the charitable organization, involved in dealing, running a rouletto wheel, or handling chips.]

(a) "Game operator employer" means a level 1 game operator or a business 19 entity who employs, supervises, and controls game operators and who is hired by a 20 21charitable organization to operate games of chance on its behalf. The owner, partner, 22 managing member, or chief executive of a business entity who servers as a game operator employer must be licensed as a level 1 game operator.  $\mathbf{23}$ 

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(b) "Level 1 game operator" means any consultant or any person other than a bona fide member of the charitable organization, involved in managing, supervising, or 2526directing game operators, or in planning, organizing, or conducting games of chance.

(c) "Level 2 game operator" means any person other than a bona fide member of  $\mathbf{27}$  $\mathbf{28}$ the charitable organization, who, under the supervision of a level 1 game operator, 29 oversees, directs, or runs games of chance, but does not determine the types of games 30 offered, the percentage of prize payouts, the schedule of play, or the rules of the house 31 without supervision of a level 1 game operator.

(d) "Level 3 game operator" means any person other than a bona fide member of 1  $\mathbf{2}$ the charitable organization, involved in dealing cards or dice, running a roulette wheel, or 3 handling chips and or money.

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3 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-b, I(d) to read as follows:

the charitable organization who serves as an employee or independent contractor for a

(e) "Level 4 game operator" means any person other than a bona fide member of

8 (d) Notwithstanding subparagraph (a), all charitable organizations that conduct games of chance for charitable purposes may employ, by means of a written agreement, a [primary] game 9 10 operator employer or a level 1 game operator licensed under RSA 287-D:2-c to operate games of 11 chance on their behalf.

game operator employer who does not require a level 1, 2, or 3 license.

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4 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-d, III to read as follows: 13 III. An applicant for a [primary] game operator license under RSA 287-D:2-c shall apply to the racing and charitable gaming commission, and if the applicant meets all other requirements of 14 this chapter and pays the fee established by the racing and charitable gaming commission in rules 15 16 adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A, a license shall be issued. The fee established for a level 3 or level 4 game operator shall not exceed \$45. A license issued under RSA 287-D:2-c shall expire on 17 18 December 31. The racing and charitable gaming commission shall notify the attorney general and police chief of any city or town where games of chance are held of any applications approved. 19 RSA 7:28-c shall not apply to game operator licensees subject to this chapter. [An applicant for a 20 secondary-game-operator-license-under-RSA-287-D:2-c-shall apply-to-the-racing-and-charitable 21 gaming commission, and if the applicant meets all other requirements of this chapter and pays the  $\mathbf{22}$ 23fee established by the racing and charitable gaming commission in rules adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A, which shall not exceed \$45, a license shall be issued.] 24

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5 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-d, IV to read as follows:

VI. Any license issued under RSA 287-D:2-a or RSA 287-D:2-c shall not be transferable 26 27 among individuals or game operator employers and the fees for the license shall not be refunded except for good cause shown as specified in rules adopted by the racing and charitable 28 29gaming commission.

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6 Bond; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-b, VIII to read as follows:

VIII.(a) On game dates where the charitable organization operates the games, the charitable 31 32organization shall deposit cash and proceeds from a game of chance into the account required by 33 RSA 287-D:2-a, VII(e). All expenses, including [prizes of-more than \$500] prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid by check or with cash provided the winner completes a consecutively 34numbered prize receipt provided by the commission, and equipment and hall rental fees shall 35 36 be paid by check from the account required by RSA 287-D:2-a, VII(e). The treasurer of the charitable organization shall document all prizes awarded as prescribed in rules adopted by the racing and 37 38 charitable gaming commission.

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(b) On game dates where the licensed game operator operates the games, the licensed 1  $\mathbf{2}$ game operator shall deposit cash and proceeds from a game of chance into the account required by 3 RSA 287-D:2-c, VI. All expenses, including [prizes of more than \$500 and] equipment and hall rental fees shall be paid by check or electronic fund transfers from the account established in RSA 287-4 5 D:2-c, VI. The licensed game operator shall document all prizes awarded as prescribed in rules 6 adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid by 7 check or with cash provided the winner completes a consecutively numbered prize receipt 8 purchased from the commission.

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7 Bond; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-c, V to read as follows:

V. Prior to conducting any games of chance, the game operator or the game operator's employer shall submit a bond for each location where the game operator is conducting games of chance, conditioned upon the game operator running games of chance in conformity with this chapter and with the rules and regulations prescribed by the racing and charitable gaming commission, in the amount of up to [\$300,000] \$500,000 to the racing and charitable gaming commission with the application form.

16 8 New Paragraph; Licensing of Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-c by inserting after
 17 paragraph VII the following new paragraph:

VIII. Unless a provision to the contrary is part of a written agreement in place prior to the commencement of a game date between the charitable organization and the game operator or game operator employer, all moneys due to the charitable organization shall be paid over to the organization no later than 5 business days following the date on which a game was conducted. Notwithstanding the provisions of any agreement with the charitable organization, the game operator or game operator employee shall pay over all moneys due to the charitable organization no later than 15 calendar days following a game date.

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9 Wagering; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:3 to read as follows:

VII. Unless a charitable organization rents a facility from a [primary] game operator employer 26or a level 1 game operator licensed under RSA 287-D:2-c, the charitable organization shall only rent a 27 28 facility by means of a fixed rental payment. The fixed rental payment shall not be based on a percentage of what the charitable organization receives from the game of chance and it shall reflect fair rental value 29 30 of the property for any use not just as a place to hold a game of chance. If a charitable organization rents a facility from a licensed game operator under RSA 287-D:2-c, the charitable organization shall retain no 31 32 less than 35 percent of the gross revenues from any games of chance minus any prizes paid in 33 accordance with RSA 287-D:3, VIII. Any rental agreement entered into by the charitable organization shall be submitted with the charitable organization's license application for review by the racing and 34 charitable gaming commission. Under no circumstances shall a charitable organization sustain any loss 35 from games of chance, such that its share of the gross revenues minus any prizes paid is less than zero 36 37 dollars, during a license period with a single game operator.

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10 Wagering; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:5, I to read as follows:

 $\mathbf{2}$ I. A charitable organization or a licensed (primary) game operator employer under contract to conduct games of chance on behalf of a charitable organization shall submit a complete financial 3 report for all game dates licensed under RSA 287-D:2 and RSA 287-D:2-a to the racing and 4 charitable gaming commission on forms approved by the racing and charitable gaming commission 5 within 15 days of the end of each month during which a game of chance was held.

11 Reference Change; Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:7, XVI to 7 8 read as follows:

9 XVI. In not more than one game conducted in accordance with RSA 287-E:7, XIII, a carryover, cover-all game may be run with the prize money rolled over to the successive game dates in the 10 event that there is no winner on the original or preceding game dates. Notwithstanding any 11 12 provision of law to the contrary, the prize money may accumulate until there is a winner. The prize shall be awarded to any winner covering all 24 numbers on the card in less than 50 numbers, or a 13 greater number if so designated prior to the game. If there is no winner on a given game date, a pre-14 designated consolation prize shall be awarded to the game winner who first achieves cover-all. The 15 balance of the [monies] moneys collected shall be carried over to subsequent game dates until there 16 is a winner. Unless a surety bond is posted by the organization with the commission for an 17 amount greater than the accumulated prize, the amount rolled over to successive game 18 dates may not exceed \$10,000. 19

12 Reference Change; Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:9, I to 20 read as follows:  $\mathbf{21}$ 

 $\mathbf{22}$ I. A charitable organization which has been licensed to conduct bingo games shall submit a complete financial report to the commission for each license issued under RSA 287-E:6 within 15 23 days after the expiration of each license; provided, however, a complete monthly financial report  $\mathbf{24}$ shall be submitted in a timely fashion to the commission for each month covered by a license issued 25 26 under [RSA 287-E:6, I a] RSA 287-E:6, II.

13 Reference Change; Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:9, IV to 27 read as follows:  $\mathbf{28}$ 

IV. All charitable organizations licensed under this chapter shall maintain a separate 29 checking account for the deposit and disbursement of all income relating to bingo and lucky 7, except 30 cash prizes awarded at the games. All expenses shall be paid by check, and all prizes of \$500 or more 31shall be paid by check or electronic funds transfers. There shall be no commingling of bingo and 32 lucky 7 funds with other funds of the charitable organization. The organization shall retain all 33 cancelled checks for the payment of expenses and prizes for at least 2 years. The organization may 34 35 cash checks which it issues.



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14 Campground Bingo. Amend RSA 287-E:12 to read as follows:

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1	287-E:12 Bingo [License] for Private Campgrounds and Hotels. Any private campground or
<b>2</b>	hotel may [ <del>apply to the commission for a special campground or hotel binge license. Licenses may be</del>
3	granted-under-the-following conditions] conduct bingo games provided:
4	[IThe bingo-license application fee shall be \$25 per year and shall be nonrefundable.
5	II. The provisions of RSA 287-E:6, IV and RSA 287-E:7, IV and VI relating to bingo-licenses
6	and the operation of games for charitable organizations shall-also apply to licenses issued under this
7	section,
8	III.]I. The price to be paid for a single card or play under the license shall be \$.10.
9	[IV. A license shall permit no more than 2 game dates of bingo in any one calendar week and
10	shall be issued on an annual basis.
11	V.] II. All revenues received from the sale of bingo cards in any game or series of games on
12	any one calendar day shall be paid out to the players. The total value of all prizes, tokens, or awards
13	used, given, offered, or awarded in connection with any game or series of games in any calendar day
14	shall not exceed \$500.
15	[VI.] III. Games shall be operated only by persons on the staff of the campground or hotel
16	[holding the license under this section]. Such staff shall operate the games without compensation
17	from the bingo revenues.
18	[VII.] IV. The games of bingo shall be open only to persons 18 years of age or older who are
19	bona fide guests at the campground or hotel.
20	[VIII. Licenses shall be granted only to campgrounds or hotels in cities or towns which have
21	approved bingo under RSA 287-E.
22	IX.] V. No campground or hotel shall act as an agent for operating games of bingo when it is
23	unlawful for such campground's or hotel's principal to operate bingo games.
24	[X.—The campground or hotel holding the license issued under this section shall keep records
25	and submit a report as required for agricultural fairs under RSA-287-E:10, VIII, except that the report
26	shall be submitted to the commission within 15 days of the expiration of the bingo license. The report
27	shall-include the names and addresses of persons from whom bingo equipment was rented or leased.
28	XI.] VI. The campground or hotel shall have been in existence for at least 2 years in the city
29	or town in which the bingo games are to be conducted.
30	[XII, The campground or hotel shall be in compliance at the time of application with all
31	applicable state and local requirements for the operation of private campgrounds or hotels.
32	XIII.] VII. The campground or hotel shall maintain a current list of bona fide guests.
33	[XIV.] VIII. The campground or hotel shall not have been established solely for the purpose
34	of operating bingo games.
35	15 Campground Bingo. Amend the introductory paragraph RSA 287-E:13 to read as follows:
36	Any campground or hotel [holding a license under RSA-287 E:12] may conduct special bingo games
37	for children under the conditions specified in RSA 287-E:12, except:

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1 16 Lucky 7 Fees. Amend RSA 287-E:22 to read as follows: 2 287-E:22 Lucky 7 Fees. I. (A licensed distributor shall pay a fee of \$15 per deal of pull tab tickets. 3 II. A licensed distributor shall pay a fee of \$6 per deal of bag tickets.] 4 A fee of 5 percent is imposed upon the gross sales of each lucky 7 ticket. 5 The licensed charitable organization shall collect the fees imposed by this 6 II. section and shall pay them over to the commission within 15 calendar days following the  $\mathbf{\dot{7}}$ end of this month in which lucky 7 tickets were sold. The fee shall be filed with forms 8 9 approved by the commission. 10 III. No deal shall have the same serial number as any other deal sold in this state. IV. All funds collected by the commission under this section shall be deposited in the special 11 12 fund established under RSA 284:21-j. [V.--A-licensed-distributor-shall-pay the fees collected pursuant to this section to the 13 commission within 15 days of the distribution of the tickets.] 14 17 Payment to Distributor. Amend RSA 287-E:23-a to read as follows: 15 287-E:23-a Payment to Distributor. Licensees shall pay for purchased tickets no later than 30 16 calendar days after delivery. Unless a waiver is given by the commission for good cause 17 shown, no charitable organization may purchase tickets from a different distributor when 18 that charitable organization has failed to comply with the provisions of this section. 19 18 Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:24, IV to read as follows: 20IV. All expenses shall be paid by check, or electronic funds transfers, and all cash 21 prizes [over] of \$500 or more shall be paid by check or with cash provided the winner completes 22 $\mathbf{23}$ a consecutively numbered prize receipt purchased from the commission, and the charitable organization shall retain cancelled checks for the payment of expenses and checks and receipts for  $\mathbf{24}$ the payment of prizes for a period of 2 years. 2519 Pari-Mutuel Breakage; Cross Reference. Amend RSA 284:22-a, VII to read as follows: 26  $\mathbf{27}$ VIII. RSA 284:22, I, II, and III, [and IV] shall apply according to the type of race on which the simulcast wagers are made, excepting, however, interstate common pools as provided in  $\mathbf{28}$ RSA 284:22-a, V(b) and that the provisions made for purses made in RSA 284:22, I shall not apply to 29 simulcast races. The commission on simulcast race pools shall be available to the simulcasting 30 licensee to satisfy obligations to the racing association originating or transmitting such simulcast 3132 races or to the horsemen's group of such association. 20 Campground Bingo. Amend RSA 287-E:4, II to read as follows: 33 II. Such fee shall be submitted to the commission at the time the application for a bingo license 34 is filed and[, except as provided in RSA 287-E:12], shall be refunded if the application is denied. 35 21 Repeal. RSA 284:22, IV relative to breakage on pari-mutuel pools, is repealed. 36 22 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage. 37

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#### SB 136-FN - FISCAL NOTE

AN ACT relative to games of chance.

# FISCAL IMPACT:

The Racing and Charitable Gaming Commission states this bill will increase state education trust fund revenues and expenditures by indeterminable amounts in FY 2012 and each fiscal year thereafter. There will be no fiscal impact on county and local revenues or expenditures.

#### **METHODOLOGY:**

The Racing and Charitable Gaming Commission states this bill makes several changes relative to games of chance, including imposing a 5% fee on gross sales of lucky 7 tickets while eliminating pull tab and bag fees. The Commission states these changes will impact state education trust revenues as follows in FY 2012 and each fiscal year thereafter:

Estimated annual gross lucky 7 sales	67,000,000
5% fee proposed	\$3,350,000
Annual pull tab and bag fees currently collected	(\$946,761)
Net fiscal impact to state education trust fund revenues	\$2,403,239

The Commission also states this bill creates a new system of defining game operators and establishes two new types of operators with an annual license fee not to exceed \$45 per year. The Commission estimates it will issue 50 new licenses for the two new license categories, which will increase state education trust fund revenues by \$2,250 (50 X \$45) in FY 2012 and each fiscal year thereafter.

The Commission states this bill also eliminates licensing of private campgrounds and hotels who conduct bingo games. The Commission states the elimination of these license fees will result in a reduction of state education trust fund revenues of approximately \$275 per fiscal year.

The Commission further states this bill requires charitable organizations and/or game operators when paying prizes with cash to record the transaction on a consecutively numbered receipt which must be purchased from the Commission. The Commission states it cannot determine this requirement's impact to state education trust fund revenues or expenditures but predicts it will be insignificant.

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 $\mathbf{26}$ 3 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-b, I(d) to read as 27follows:

 $\mathbf{28}$ (d) Notwithstanding subparagraph (a), all charitable organizations that conduct games 29 of chance for charitable purposes may employ, by means of a written agreement, a [primary] game 30 operator employer or a primary game operator licensed under RSA 287-D:2-c to operate games of

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1 chance on their behalf.

 $\mathbf{2}$ 4 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-d, III to read as follows: 3

III. An applicant for a primary game operator license under RSA 287-D:2-c shall apply to the 4  $\mathbf{5}$ racing and charitable gaming commission, and if the applicant meets all other requirements of this chapter and pays the fee established by the racing and charitable gaming commission in rules 6 7adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A, a license shall be issued. A primary game operator license issued 8 under RSA 287-D:2-c shall expire on December 31. The racing and charitable gaming commission 9 shall notify the attorney general and police chief of any city or town where games of chance are held of any applications approved. RSA 7:28-c shall not apply to game operator licensees subject to this 10 11 chapter. An applicant for a secondary game operator license under RSA 287-D:2-c shall apply to the 12racing and charitable gaming commission, and if the applicant meets all other requirements of this 13chapter and pays the fee established by the racing and charitable gaming commission in rules 14 adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A, which shall not exceed \$45, a license shall be issued. A secondary 15 game operator license issued under RSA 284-D:2-c shall expire on the last day of the month 16 of the licensee's birthday.

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5 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-d, VI to read as follows: 18 VI. Any license issued under RSA 287-D:2-a or RSA 287-D:2-c shall not be transferable and 19 the fees for the license shall not be refunded except for good cause shown as specified in rules 20adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Nothing in this section shall prevent 21 a licensee from working for different licensed entities. A licensee who works for more than  $\mathbf{22}$ one game operator employer during the licensed period shall have a separate badge for 23 each game operator employer and pay a separate fee for each badge.

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6 Bond; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-b, VIII to read as follows:

 $\mathbf{25}$ VIII.(a) On game dates where the charitable organization operates the games, the charitable 26organization shall deposit cash and proceeds from a game of chance into the account required by 27RSA 287-D:2-a, VII(e). All expenses, including [prizes of more than \$500] prizes of \$500 or more 28 and equipment and hall rental fees shall be paid by check from the account required by RSA 287- $\mathbf{29}$ D:2-a, VII(e). The treasurer of the charitable organization shall document all prizes awarded as **3**Ô prescribed in rules adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission.

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(b) On game dates where the licensed game operator operates the games, the licensed game operator shall deposit cash and proceeds from a game of chance into the account required by 3233 RSA 287-D:2-c, VI. All expenses, including [prizes of more than \$500 and] equipment and hall rental  $\mathbf{34}$ fees shall be paid by check or electronic fund transfers from the account established in RSA 287-35 D:2-c, VI. The licensed game operator shall document all prizes awarded as prescribed in rules 36 adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid 37 by check from the account established in RSA 287-D:2-c, VI.

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7 Bond; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-c, V to read as follows:

 $\mathbf{2}$ V. Prior to conducting any games of chance, the game operator or the game operator's 3 employer shall submit a bond for each location where the game operator is conducting games of 4 chance, conditioned upon the game operator running games of chance in conformity with this 5 chapter and with the rules and regulations prescribed by the racing and charitable gaming commission, in the amount of up to [\$300,000] \$500,000 but not less than \$25,000 to the racing 6 7 and charitable gaming commission with the application form. The amount of the bond in excess 8 of \$25,000 established for each licensee shall be based on that licensee's normal outstanding obligations of charity payments and state taxes. 9

8 New Paragraph; Licensing of Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-c by inserting after
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19 9 Wagering; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:3, VII to read as follows:

20 VII. Unless a charitable organization rents a facility from a primary game operator employer or a primary game operator licensed under RSA 287-D:2-c, the charitable organization 21  $\mathbf{22}$ shall only rent a facility by means of a fixed rental payment. The fixed rental payment shall not be 23 based on a percentage of what the charitable organization receives from the game of chance and it 24 shall reflect fair rental value of the property for any use not just as a place to hold a game of chance. 25If a charitable organization rents a facility from a licensed game operator under RSA 287-D:2-c, the 26 charitable organization shall retain no less than 35 percent of the gross revenues from any games of 27 chance minus any prizes paid in accordance with RSA 287-D:3, VIII. Any rental agreement entered  $\mathbf{28}$ into by the charitable organization shall be submitted with the charitable organization's license 29 application for review by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Under no circumstances 30 shall a charitable organization sustain any loss from games of chance, such that its share of the 31 gross revenues minus any prizes paid is less than zero dollars, during a license period with a single 32 game operator.

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10 Wagering; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:5, I to read as follows:

I. A charitable organization [or], a licensed [primary] game operator employer, or a primary game operator under contract to conduct games of chance on behalf of a charitable organization and designated by the charitable organization to be responsible for submitting financial reports shall submit a complete financial report for all game dates licensed under

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RSA 287-D:2 and RSA 287-D:2-a to the racing and charitable gaming commission on forms approved
 by the racing and charitable gaming commission within 15 days of the end of each month during
 which a game of chance was held.

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11 Operation of Bingo Games; Penalty Added. Amend RSA 287-E:7, XVI to read as follows:

 $\mathbf{5}$ XVI. In not more than one game conducted in accordance with [RSA-287-E:7] paragraph 6 XIII, a carry-over, cover-all game may be run with the prize money rolled over to the successive 7 game dates in the event that there is no winner on the original or preceding game dates. 8 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the prize money may accumulate until there is 9 a winner. The prize shall be awarded to any winner covering all 24 numbers on the card in less than 10 50 numbers, or a greater number if so designated prior to the game. If there is no winner on a given game date, a pre-designated consolation prize shall be awarded to the game winner who first 11 12 achieves cover-all. The balance of the [monies] moneys collected shall be carried over to subsequent 13 game dates until there is a winner. Any person who purposely, knowingly, or recklessly deprives a charitable organization of any of its moneys collected from bingo or lucky 7 or 14 any person who purposely, knowingly, or recklessly deprives players of any prizes collected 15from bingo or lucky 7, shall be guilty of a class A felony. 16

17 12 Reference Change; Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:9, I to
 18 read as follows:

I. A charitable organization which has been licensed to conduct bingo games shall submit a complete financial report to the commission for each license issued under RSA 287-E:6 within 15 days after the expiration of each license; provided, however, a complete monthly financial report shall be submitted in a timely fashion to the commission for each month covered by a license issued under [RSA-287-E:6, I-a] RSA 287-E:6, II.

Reference Change; Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:9, IV to
 read as follows:

IV. All charitable organizations licensed under this chapter shall maintain a separate checking account for the deposit and disbursement of all income relating to bingo and lucky 7, except cash prizes awarded at the games. All expenses shall be paid by check, [and all prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid by check] or electronic funds transfers. All prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid by check. There shall be no commingling of bingo and lucky 7 funds with other funds of the charitable organization. The organization shall retain all cancelled checks for the payment of expenses and prizes for at least 2 years. The organization may cash checks which it issues.

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14 Campground Bingo. Amend RSA 287-E:12 to read as follows:

287-E:12 Bingo [License] for Private Campgrounds and Hotels. Any private campground or
 hotel may [apply-to-the commission for a special campground or hotel-bingo-license. Licenses may be
 granted under the following conditions] conduct bingo games provided:

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[I.- The bingo license application fee shall-be \$25 per year and shall-be nonrefundable.

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1	II.—The provisions of RSA-287-E:6, IV and RSA-287-E:7, IV and VI relating to bingo licenses
2	and the operation of games for charitable organizations shall also apply to licenses issued under this
3	section.
4	III.] I. The price to be paid for a single card or play under the license shall be \$.10.
5	[IV. A license shall permit no more than 2 game dates of bingo in any one-calendar week and
6	<del>chall be issued on an annual basis.</del>
7	$\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{r}}$ ] II. All revenues received from the sale of bingo cards in any game or series of games on
8	any one calendar day shall be paid out to the players. The total value of all prizes, tokens, or awards
9	used, given, offered, or awarded in connection with any game or series of games in any calendar day
10	shall not exceed \$500.
11	[VI-] III. Games shall be operated only by persons on the staff of the campground or hotel
12	[holding the license under this section]. Such staff shall operate the games without compensation
13	from the bingo revenues.
14	[ <del>VII.]</del> IV. The games of bingo shall be open only to persons 18 years of age or older who are
15	bona fide guests at the campground or hotel.
16	[VIII. Licenses shall-be granted-only-to campgrounds or hotels in cities or towns-which have
17	approved bingo under RSA 287-E.
18	IX.] V. No campground or hotel shall act as an agent for operating games of bingo when it is
19	unlawful for such campground's or hotel's principal to operate bingo games.
20	[X. The campground or hotel holding the license issued under this section shall keep records
21	and-submit-a-report-as-required for agricultural fairs-under-RSA-287-E:10, VIII, except that the
22	report-shall-be-submitted to the commission-within 15 days of the expiration of the bingo license.
23	The report-shall-include the names and addresses of persons from whom bings equipment was
24	rented or leased.
25	XI.] VI. The campground or hotel shall have been in existence for at least 2 years in the city
26	or town in which the bingo games are to be conducted.
27	[XII. The campground or hotel shall be in compliance at the time of application with all
28	applicable-state-and-local-requirements for the operation of private campgrounds or hotels.
29	XIII.] VII. The campground or hotel shall maintain a current list of bona fide guests.
30	[XIV.] VIII. The campground or hotel shall not have been established solely for the purpose
31	of operating bingo games.
32	15 Campground Bingo. Amend the introductory paragraph RSA 287-E:13 to read as follows:
33	Any campground or hotel [holding a license under RSA 287-E:12] may conduct special bingo
34	games for children under the conditions specified in RSA 287-E:12, except:
35	16 Payment to Distributor. Amend RSA 287-E:23-a to read as follows:
36	287-E:23-a Payment to Distributor. Licensees shall pay for purchased tickets no later than 30
37	calendar days after delivery. Unless a waiver is given by the commission for good cause

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shown, no charitable organization may purchase tickets from a different distributor when
 that charitable organization has failed to comply with the provisions of this section.

17 Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:24, IV to read as follows:

4 IV. All expenses shall be paid by check, or electronic funds transfers, and all cash 5 prizes [over] of \$500 or more shall be paid by check, and the charitable organization shall retain 6 cancelled checks or bank produced facsimiles of cancelled checks for the payment of expenses 7 and checks or bank produced facsimiles of checks and receipts for the payment of prizes for 8 a period of 2 years.

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18 Pari-Mutuel Breakage; Cross Reference. Amend RSA 284:22-a, VII to read as follows:

10 VIII. RSA 284:22, I, II, and III, [and-IV] shall apply according to the type of race on which 11 the simulcast wagers are made, excepting, however, interstate common pools as provided in 12 RSA 284:22-a, V(b) and that the provisions made for purses made in RSA 284:22, I shall not apply to 13 simulcast races. The commission on simulcast race pools shall be available to the simulcasting 14 licensee to satisfy obligations to the racing association originating or transmitting such simulcast 15 races or to the horsemen's group of such association.

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19 Campground Bingo. Amend RSA 287-E:4, II to read as follows:

II. Such fee shall be submitted to the commission at the time the application for a bingo
license is filed and[<del>, except as provided in RSA 287-E:12</del>], shall be refunded if the application is
denied.

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20 Racing Purses. Amend RSA 284:22, I-II to read as follows:

I. The commission on all win, place, and show pari-mutuel pools at tracks or race meets at 21 which running horse races are conducted for public exhibition shall be uniform throughout the state  $\mathbf{22}$ 23 at the rate of 19 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools, and the commission on all other pari- $\mathbf{24}$ mutuel pools at such tracks or race meets shall be at the rate of not less than 26 percent of each 25 dollar wagered in such pools and not more than 27 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools as 26 determined from time to time by the licensee which conducts live running horse races after written  $\mathbf{27}$ notice to the commission and, in the absence of written notice, at the rate of 26 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools. Except as provided in RSA 284:22-a, the amount of the purse at such tracks 28 29 or race meets at which running horse races are conducted shall be 8 1/4 percent of each dollar wagered in all pari-mutuel pools, said 8 1/4 percent to be paid by the licensee out of the commission 30 on such pools. In addition to the above commission, 1/2 of the odd cents of all redistribution based on 3132each dollar wagered exceeding a sum equal to the next lowest multiple of 10, known as "breakage". 33 shall be retained by the licensee, 1/4 paid to the state treasury for the use of the state in accordance 34 with the provisions of RSA 284:2 and 1/4 shall be paid to the racing and charitable gaming 35 commission. The racing and charitable gaming commission shall distribute such breakage to the licensee which paid such breakage [to supplement-purses-of-live-races conducted by the licensee at 36 the location from which such breakage was paid]. Each licensee shall pay the tax provided for in  $\mathbf{37}$ 

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1 RSA 284:23.

2 II. The commission on all win, place, and show pari-mutuel pools at tracks or race meets at 3 which harness horse races are conducted for public exhibition, including those conducted by agricultural fairs, shall be uniform throughout the state at the rate of 19 percent of each dollar 4 5 wagered in such pools, and the commission on all other pari-mutuel pools at such tracks or race 6 meets shall be at the rate of not less than 25 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools and not 7 more than 26 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools as determined from time to time by the 8 licensee which conducts live harness horse racing after written notice to the commission and, in the 9 absence of such written notice, at the rate of 25 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools. In addition to the above commission, 1/2 of the odd cents of all redistribution based on each dollar 10 11 wagered exceeding a sum equal to the next lowest multiple of 10, known as "breakage", shall be 12retained by the licensee, 1/4 paid to the state treasury for the use of the state in accordance with the provisions of RSA 284:2 and 1/4 shall be paid to the racing and charitable gaming commission. The 1314 racing and charitable gaming commission shall distribute such breakage [to the licensee which paid 15 such-breakage]. Each licensee shall pay the tax provided for in RSA 284:23. 16 21 Repeal. RSA 284:22, IV relative to breakage on pari-mutuel pools, is repealed.

17 22 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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LBAO 11-1032 02/07/11

#### SB 136-FN - FISCAL NOTE

AN ACT relative to games of chance.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

The Racing and Charitable Gaming Commission states this bill will increase state education trust fund revenues and expenditures by indeterminable amounts in FY 2012 and each fiscal year thereafter. There will be no fiscal impact on county and local revenues or expenditures.

# **METHODOLOGY:**

The Racing and Charitable Gaming Commission states this bill makes several changes relative to games of chance, including imposing a 5% fee on gross sales of lucky 7 tickets while eliminating pull tab and bag fees. The Commission states these changes will impact state education trust revenues as follows in FY 2012 and each fiscal year thereafter:

Estimated annual gross lucky 7 sales	67,000,000
5% fee proposed	\$3,350,000
Annual pull tab and bag fees currently collected	(\$946,761)
Net fiscal impact to state education trust fund revenues	\$2,403,239

The Commission also states this bill creates a new system of defining game operators and establishes two new types of operators with an annual license fee not to exceed \$45 per year. The Commission estimates it will issue 50 new licenses for the two new license categories, which will increase state education trust fund revenues by \$2,250 (50 X \$45) in FY 2012 and each fiscal year thereafter.

The Commission states this bill also eliminates licensing of private campgrounds and hotels who conduct bingo games. The Commission states the elimination of these license fees will result in a reduction of state education trust fund revenues of approximately \$275 per fiscal year.

The Commission further states this bill requires charitable organizations and/or game operators when paying prizes with cash to record the transaction on a consecutively numbered receipt which must be purchased from the Commission. The Commission states it cannot determine this requirement's impact to state education trust fund revenues or expenditures but predicts it will be insignificant.

# Amendments



#### Amendment to SB 136-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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1 Unclaimed Ticket Vouchers. Amend RSA 284:31 to read as follows:

Unclaimed Ticket Money. On or before January 31 of each year every person, 4 284:315 association, or corporation conducting a race or race meet, whether live racing or simulcast racing, 6 hereunder shall pay to the state treasurer all moneys collected during the previous year of pari-7 mutuel pool tickets and vouchers which have not been redeemed. The books or records of said 8 person, association, or corporation, which clearly show the tickets entitled to reimbursement in any 9 given race, live or simulcast, shall be forwarded to the commission. Such moneys shall become a 10 part of the general funds of the state. The state treasurer shall pay the amount due on any ticket or voucher to the holder thereof from funds not otherwise appropriated upon an order from the 11 12commission. Pari-mutuel tickets and vouchers which remain unclaimed after 11 months shall not 13 be paid. Vouchers shall be remitted to the state treasurer on January 31 of the calendar 14 year, 24 months after the year of the unclaimed voucher.

2 Definitions; Game Operator. Amend RSA 287-D:1, V to read as follows:

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V. "Game operator" means:

(a) "Primary game operator" which means any consultant or any person other than a
bona fide member of the charitable organization, involved in conducting, managing, supervising,
directing, or running the games of chance; or

(b) "Secondary game operator" which means any person other than a bona fide member
of the charitable organization, involved in dealing, running a roulette wheel, [er] handling chips, or
providing accounting services or security functions.

(c) "Game operator employer" means a primary game operator or a business
entity who employs, supervises, and controls game operators and who is hired by a
charitable organization to operate games of chance on its behalf. The owner, partner,
managing member, or chief executive of a business entity who servers as a game operator
employer must be licensed as a primary game operator.

3 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-b, I(d) to read as
 follows:

30 (d) Notwithstanding subparagraph (a), all charitable organizations that conduct games
 31 of chance for charitable purposes may employ, by means of a written agreement, a [primary] game
 32 operator employer or a primary game operator licensed under RSA 287-D:2-c to operate games of

chance on their behalf.

2 4 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-d, III to read as 3 follows:

4 III. An applicant for a primary game operator license under RSA 287-D:2-c shall apply to the 5 racing and charitable gaming commission, and if the applicant meets all other requirements of this chapter and pays the fee established by the racing and charitable gaming commission in rules 6 7 adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A, a license shall be issued. A primary game operator license issued 8 under RSA 287-D:2-c shall expire on December 31. The racing and charitable gaming commission 9 shall notify the attorney general and police chief of any city or town where games of chance are held 10 of any applications approved. RSA 7:28-c shall not apply to game operator licensees subject to this 11 chapter. An applicant for a secondary game operator license under RSA 287-D:2-c shall apply to the 12 racing and charitable gaming commission, and if the applicant meets all other requirements of this 13 chapter and pays the fee established by the racing and charitable gaming commission in rules 14 adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A, which shall not exceed \$45, a license shall be issued. A secondary 15 game operator license issued under RSA 284-D:2-c shall expire on the last day of the month 16 of the licensee's birthday.

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5 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-d, VI to read as follows: 18 VI. Any license issued under RSA 287-D:2-a or RSA 287-D:2-c shall not be transferable and 19 the fees for the license shall not be refunded except for good cause shown as specified in rules 20 adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Nothing in this section shall prevent 21 a licensee from working for different licensed entities. A licensee who works for more than 22 one game operator employer during the licensed period shall have a separate badge for 23 each game operator employer and pay a separate fee for each badge.

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6 Bond; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-b, VIII to read as follows:

25 VIII.(a) On game dates where the charitable organization operates the games, the charitable 26 organization shall deposit cash and proceeds from a game of chance into the account required by 27RSA 287-D:2-a, VII(e). All expenses, including [prizes of more than \$500] prizes of \$500 or more 28and equipment and hall rental fees shall be paid by check from the account required by RSA 287-29 D:2-a, VII(e). The treasurer of the charitable organization shall document all prizes awarded as 30 prescribed in rules adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission.

31 (b) On game dates where the licensed game operator operates the games, the licensed game operator shall deposit cash and proceeds from a game of chance into the account required by 3233 RSA 287-D:2-c, VI. All expenses, including [prizes of more than \$500 and] equipment and hall rental 34 fees shall be paid by check or electronic fund transfers from the account established in RSA 287-35 D:2-c, VI. The licensed game operator shall document all prizes awarded as prescribed in rules 36 adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid  $\mathbf{37}$ by check from the account established in RSA 287-D:2-c, VI.

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7 Bond; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-c, V to read as follows:

 $\mathbf{2}$ V. Prior to conducting any games of chance, the game operator or the game operator's 3 employer shall submit a bond for each location where the game operator is conducting games of 4 chance, conditioned upon the game operator running games of chance in conformity with this 5 chapter and with the rules and regulations prescribed by the racing and charitable gaming 6 commission, in the amount of up to [\$300,000] \$500,000 but not less than \$25,000 to the racing 7 and charitable gaming commission with the application form. The amount of the bond in excess 8 of \$25,000 established for each licensee shall be based on that licensee's normal 9 outstanding obligations of charity payments and state taxes.

10 8 New Paragraph; Licensing of Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-c by inserting after
11 paragraph VII the following new paragraph:

VIII. Unless a provision to the contrary is part of a written agreement in place prior to the commencement of a game date between the charitable organization and the game operator or game operator employer, all moneys due to the charitable organization shall be paid over to the organization no later than 5 business days following the date on which a game was conducted. Notwithstanding the provisions of any agreement with the charitable organization, the game operator or game operator employer shall pay over all moneys due to the charitable organization no later than 15 business days following a game date.

9 Wagering; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:3, VII to read as follows:

20 VII. Unless a charitable organization rents a facility from a [primary] game operator 21 employer or a primary game operator licensed under RSA 287-D:2-c, the charitable organization 22shall only rent a facility by means of a fixed rental payment. The fixed rental payment shall not be 23 based on a percentage of what the charitable organization receives from the game of chance and it 24 shall reflect fair rental value of the property for any use not just as a place to hold a game of chance. 25 If a charitable organization rents a facility from a licensed game operator under RSA 287-D:2-c, the 26 charitable organization shall retain no less than 35 percent of the gross revenues from any games of 27 chance minus any prizes paid in accordance with RSA 287-D:3, VIII. Any rental agreement entered  $\mathbf{28}$ into by the charitable organization shall be submitted with the charitable organization's license  $\mathbf{29}$ application for review by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Under no circumstances 30 shall a charitable organization sustain any loss from games of chance, such that its share of the 31 gross revenues minus any prizes paid is less than zero dollars, during a license period with a single 32 game operator.

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10 Wagering; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:5, I to read as follows:

I. A charitable organization [or], a licensed [primary] game operator employer, or a primary game operator under contract to conduct games of chance on behalf of a charitable organization and designated by the charitable organization to be responsible for submitting financial reports shall submit a complete financial report for all game dates licensed under

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RSA 287-D:2 and RSA 287-D:2-a to the racing and charitable gaming commission on forms approved
 by the racing and charitable gaming commission within 15 days of the end of each month during
 which a game of chance was held.

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11 Operation of Bingo Games; Penalty Added. Amend RSA 287-E:7, XVI to read as follows:

5 XVI. In not more than one game conducted in accordance with [RSA-287-E:7.] paragraph 6 XIII, a carry-over, cover-all game may be run with the prize money rolled over to the successive  $\mathbf{7}$ game dates in the event that there is no winner on the original or preceding game dates. 8 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the prize money may accumulate until there is 9 a winner. The prize shall be awarded to any winner covering all 24 numbers on the card in less than 10 50 numbers, or a greater number if so designated prior to the game. If there is no winner on a given game date, a pre-designated consolation prize shall be awarded to the game winner who first 11 12 achieves cover-all. The balance of the [monies] moneys collected shall be carried over to subsequent 13 game dates until there is a winner. Any person who purposely, knowingly, or recklessly deprives a charitable organization of any of its moneys collected from bingo or lucky 7 or 14 15 any person who purposely, knowingly, or recklessly deprives players of any prizes collected 16 from bingo or lucky 7, shall be guilty of a class A felony.

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12 Reference Change; Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:9, I to read as follows:

19 I. A charitable organization which has been licensed to conduct bingo games shall submit a 20 complete financial report to the commission for each license issued under RSA 287-E:6 within 15 21 days after the expiration of each license; provided, however, a complete monthly financial report 22 shall be submitted in a timely fashion to the commission for each month covered by a license issued 23 under [RSA-287-E:6, I-a] RSA 287-E:6, II.

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RSA 284:23.

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21 Repeal. RSA 284:22, IV relative to breakage on pari-mutuel pools, is repealed.

17 22 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage. 2011-0662s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Defines game operator employers.

II. Requires that game operators pay charities participating in charitable gaming no later than 15 business days following a game date.

III. Raises the amount of bond required for conducting games of chance.

IV. Requires charitable organizations to collect certain fees on lucky 7 deals and pay them to the racing and charitable gaming commission.

V. Allows private campgrounds and hotels to conduct certain bingo games without a license.

VI. Allows the racing and charitable gaming commission to distribute breakage to pari-mutuel licensees without consideration of live racing.

Senate Ways and Means March 7, 2011 2011-0687s 08/09

# Amendment to SB 136-FN

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following: 1

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1 Unclaimed Ticket Vouchers. Amend RSA 284:31 to read as follows:

284:31 Unclaimed Ticket Money. On or before January 31 of each year every person, 4 association, or corporation conducting a race or race meet, whether live racing or simulcast racing, 5 6 hereunder shall pay to the state treasurer all moneys collected during the previous year of parimutuel pool tickets and vouchers which have not been redeemed. The books or records of said 7 person, association, or corporation, which clearly show the tickets entitled to reimbursement in any 8 given race, live or simulcast, shall be forwarded to the commission. Such moneys shall become a 9 part of the general funds of the state. The state treasurer shall pay the amount due on any ticket or 10 voucher to the holder thereof from funds not otherwise appropriated upon an order from the 11 commission. Pari-mutuel tickets and vouchers which remain unclaimed after 11 months shall not 12 be paid. Vouchers shall be remitted to the state treasurer on January 31 of the calendar 13 14

year, 24 months after the year of the unclaimed voucher.

2 Definitions; Game Operator. Amend RSA 287-D:1, V to read as follows:

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V. "Game operator" means:

(a) "Primary game operator" which means any consultant or any person other than a 17 bona fide member of the charitable organization, involved in conducting, managing, supervising, 18 directing, or running the games of chance; or 19

(b) "Secondary game operator" which means any person other than a bona fide member 20 of the charitable organization, involved in dealing, running a roulette wheel, [or] handling chips, or 21 providing accounting services or security functions. 22

(c) "Game operator employer" means a primary game operator or a business 23 entity who employs, supervises, and controls game operators and who is hired by a  $\mathbf{24}$ charitable organization to operate games of chance on its behalf. The owner, partner, 25managing member, or chief executive of a business entity who servers as a game operator 26 employer must be licensed as a primary game operator. 27

3 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-b, I(d) to read as  $\mathbf{28}$ 29 follows:

(d) Notwithstanding subparagraph (a), all charitable organizations that conduct games 30 of chance for charitable purposes may employ, by means of a written agreement, a [primary] game 31 operator employer or a primary game operator licensed under RSA 287-D:2-c to operate games of 32

1 chance on their behalf.

4 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-d, III to read as 2 3 follows:

4 III. An applicant for a primary game operator license under RSA 287-D:2-c shall apply to the б racing and charitable gaming commission, and if the applicant meets all other requirements of this chapter and pays the fee established by the racing and charitable gaming commission in rules 6 7 adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A, a license shall be issued. A primary game operator license issued 8 under RSA 287-D:2-c shall expire on December 31. The racing and charitable gaming commission 9 shall notify the attorney general and police chief of any city or town where games of chance are held 10 of any applications approved. RSA 7:28-c shall not apply to game operator licensees subject to this chapter. An applicant for a secondary game operator license under RSA 287-D:2-c shall apply to the 11 racing and charitable gaming commission, and if the applicant meets all other requirements of this 12 13chapter and pays the fee established by the racing and charitable gaming commission in rules adopted pursuant to RSA 541-A, which shall not exceed \$45, a license shall be issued. A secondary 14 15 game operator license issued under RSA 284-D:2-c shall expire on the last day of the month 16 of the licensee's birthday.

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5 Operation of Games of Chance; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-d, VI to read as follows: 18 VI. Any license issued under RSA 287-D:2-a or RSA 287-D:2-c shall not be transferable and 19 the fees for the license shall not be refunded except for good cause shown as specified in rules adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Nothing in this section shall prevent 20 21 a licensee from working for different licensed entities. A licensee who works for more than 22 one game operator employer during the licensed period shall have a separate badge for 23 each game operator employer and pay a separate fee for each badge.

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6 Bond; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-b, VIII to read as follows:

VIII.(a) On game dates where the charitable organization operates the games, the charitable 25 organization shall deposit cash and proceeds from a game of chance into the account required by 26 27 RSA 287-D:2-a, VII(e). All expenses, including [prizes of more than \$500] prizes of \$500 or more 28 and equipment and hall rental fees shall be paid by check from the account required by RSA 287-29 D:2-a, VII(e). The treasurer of the charitable organization shall document all prizes awarded as 30 prescribed in rules adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission.

31 (b) On game dates where the licensed game operator operates the games, the licensed 32 game operator shall deposit cash and proceeds from a game of chance into the account required by RSA 287-D:2-c, VI. All expenses, including [prizes of more than \$500 and] equipment and hall rental 33 fees shall be paid by check or electronic fund transfers from the account established in RSA 287-34 D:2-c, VI. The licensed game operator shall document all prizes awarded as prescribed in rules 35 36 adopted by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid 37 by check from the account established in RSA 287-D:2-c, VI.



7 Bond; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-c, V to read as follows:

 $\mathbf{2}$ V. Prior to conducting any games of chance, the game operator or the game operator's employer shall submit a bond for each location where the game operator is conducting games of 3 4 chance, conditioned upon the game operator running games of chance in conformity with this chapter and with the rules and regulations prescribed by the racing and charitable gaming 5 commission, in the amount of up to [\$300,000] \$500,000 but not less than \$25,000 to the racing 6 and charitable gaming commission with the application form. The amount of the bond in excess 7 of \$25,000 established for each licensee shall be based on that licensee's normal 8 outstanding obligations of charity payments and state taxes. 9

New Paragraph; Licensing of Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:2-c by inserting after
 paragraph VII the following new paragraph:

12 VIII. Unless a provision to the contrary is part of a written agreement in place prior to the 13 commencement of a game date between the charitable organization and the game operator or game 14 operator employer, all moneys due to the charitable organization shall be paid over to the 15 organization no later than 5 business days following the date on which a game was conducted. 16 Notwithstanding the provisions of any agreement with the charitable organization, the game 17 operator or game operator employer shall pay over all moneys due to the charitable organization no 18 later than 15 business days following a game date.

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9 Wagering; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:3, VII to read as follows:

20 VII. Unless a charitable organization rents a facility from a [primary] game operator employer or a primary game operator licensed under RSA 287-D:2-c, the charitable organization 21 shall only rent a facility by means of a fixed rental payment. The fixed rental payment shall not be 22 based on a percentage of what the charitable organization receives from the game of chance and it 23 shall reflect fair rental value of the property for any use not just as a place to hold a game of chance.  $\mathbf{24}$ If a charitable organization rents a facility from a licensed game operator under RSA 287-D:2-c, the 25charitable organization shall retain no less than 35 percent of the gross revenues from any games of  $\mathbf{26}$ chance minus any prizes paid in accordance with RSA 287-D:3, VIII. Any rental agreement entered 27 into by the charitable organization shall be submitted with the charitable organization's license 28 application for review by the racing and charitable gaming commission. Under no circumstances 29 shall a charitable organization sustain any loss from games of chance, such that its share of the 30 gross revenues minus any prizes paid is less than zero dollars, during a license period with a single 31 32game operator.

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10 Wagering; Game Operators. Amend RSA 287-D:5, I to read as follows:

I. A charitable organization [er], a licensed [primary] game operator employer, or a primary game operator under contract to conduct games of chance on behalf of a charitable organization and designated by the charitable organization to be responsible for submitting financial reports shall submit a complete financial report for all game dates licensed under RSA 287-D:2 and RSA 287-D:2-a to the racing and charitable gaming commission on forms approved by the racing and charitable gaming commission within 15 days of the end of each month during which a game of chance was held.

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11 Operation of Bingo Games; Penalty Added. Amend RSA 287-E:7, XVI to read as follows:

XVI. In not more than one game conducted in accordance with [RSA-287-E:7,] paragraph 5 XIII, a carry-over, cover-all game may be run with the prize money rolled over to the successive 6 7 game dates in the event that there is no winner on the original or preceding game dates. 8 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the prize money may accumulate until there is a winner. The prize shall be awarded to any winner covering all 24 numbers on the card in less than 9 50 numbers, or a greater number if so designated prior to the game. If there is no winner on a given 10 game date, a pre-designated consolation prize shall be awarded to the game winner who first 11 12achieves cover-all. The balance of the [monies] moneys collected shall be carried over to subsequent game dates until there is a winner. Any person who purposely, knowingly, or recklessly 13 14 deprives a charitable organization of any of its moneys collected from bingo or lucky 7 or any person who purposely, knowingly, or recklessly deprives players of any prizes collected 15 16 from bingo or lucky 7, shall be guilty of a class A felony.

17 12 Reference Change; Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:9, I to
 18 read as follows:

19 I. A charitable organization which has been licensed to conduct bingo games shall submit a 20 complete financial report to the commission for each license issued under RSA 287-E:6 within 15 21 days after the expiration of each license; provided, however, a complete monthly financial report 22 shall be submitted in a timely fashion to the commission for each month covered by a license issued 23 under [RSA-287-E:6, I-a] RSA 287-E:6, II.

Reference Change; Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:9, IV to
 read as follows:

IV. All charitable organizations licensed under this chapter shall maintain a separate checking account for the deposit and disbursement of all income relating to bingo and lucky 7, except cash prizes awarded at the games. All expenses shall be paid by check, [and all prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid by check] or electronic funds transfers. All prizes of \$500 or more shall be paid by check. There shall be no commingling of bingo and lucky 7 funds with other funds of the charitable organization. The organization shall retain all cancelled checks for the payment of expenses and prizes for at least 2 years. The organization may cash checks which it issues.

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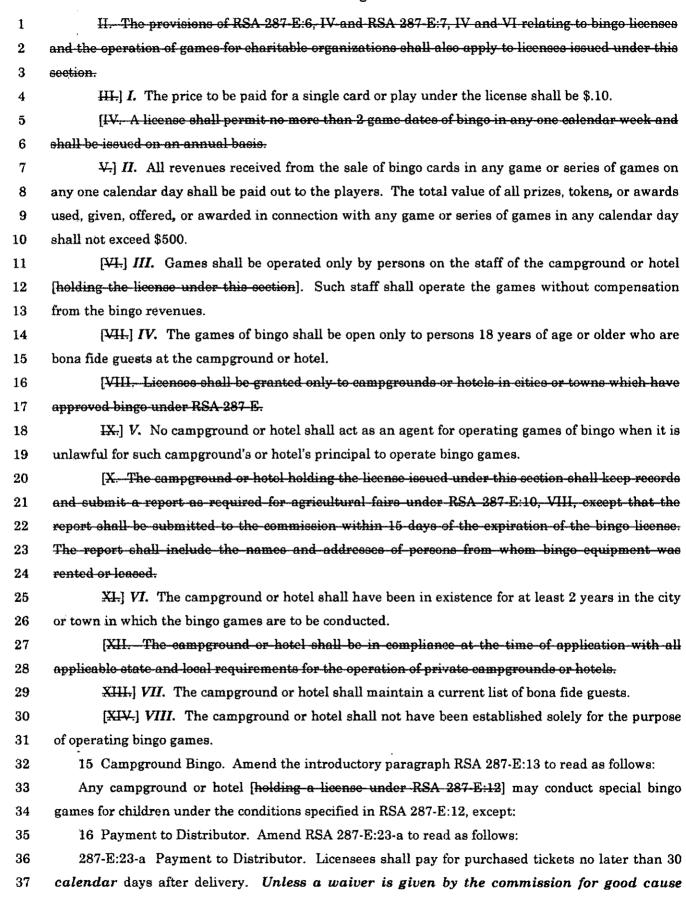
14 Campground Bingo. Amend RSA 287-E:12 to read as follows:

287-E:12 Bingo [License] for Private Campgrounds and Hotels. Any private campground or
 hotel may [apply to the commission for a special campground or hotel bingo license. Licenses may be
 granted under the following conditions] conduct bingo games provided:

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[I. The bingo-license application fee shall be \$25 per year and shall be nonrefundable.

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shown, no charitable organization may purchase tickets from a different distributor when 1 that charitable organization has failed to comply with the provisions of this section. 2

17 Financial Reports and Inspection Required. Amend RSA 287-E:24, IV to read as follows:

IV. All expenses shall be paid by check, or electronic funds transfers, and all cash 4 prizes [over] of \$500 or more shall be paid by check, and the charitable organization shall retain 5 cancelled checks or bank produced facsimiles of cancelled checks for the payment of expenses 6 and checks or bank produced facsimiles of checks and receipts for the payment of prizes for  $\mathbf{7}$ 8 a period of 2 years.

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18 Pari-Mutuel Breakage; Cross Reference. Amend RSA 284:22-a, VII to read as follows:

VIII. RSA 284:22, I, II, and III, [and IV] shall apply according to the type of race on which 10 the simulcast wagers are made, excepting, however, interstate common pools as provided in 11 RSA 284:22-a, V(b) and that the provisions made for purses made in RSA 284:22, I shall not apply to 12simulcast races. The commission on simulcast race pools shall be available to the simulcasting 13 licensee to satisfy obligations to the racing association originating or transmitting such simulcast 14 races or to the horsemen's group of such association. 15

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19 Campground Bingo. Amend RSA 287-E:4, II to read as follows:

II. Such fee shall be submitted to the commission at the time the application for a bingo 17 license is filed and [, except as provided in RSA-287 E:12], shall be refunded if the application is 18 19 denied.

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20 Racing Purses. Amend RSA 284:22, I-II to read as follows:

I. The commission on all win, place, and show pari-mutuel pools at tracks or race meets at 21 which running horse races are conducted for public exhibition shall be uniform throughout the state  $\mathbf{22}$ at the rate of 19 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools, and the commission on all other pari-23 mutuel pools at such tracks or race meets shall be at the rate of not less than 26 percent of each 24 dollar wagered in such pools and not more than 27 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools as  $\mathbf{25}$ determined from time to time by the licensee which conducts live running horse races after written 26 notice to the commission and, in the absence of written notice, at the rate of 26 percent of each dollar 27 wagered in such pools. Except as provided in RSA 284:22-a, the amount of the purse at such tracks  $\mathbf{28}$ or race meets at which running horse races are conducted shall be 8 1/4 percent of each dollar 29 wagered in all pari-mutuel pools, said 8 1/4 percent to be paid by the licensee out of the commission 30 on such pools. In addition to the above commission, 1/2 of the odd cents of all redistribution based on 31 each dollar wagered exceeding a sum equal to the next lowest multiple of 10, known as "breakage", 32 shall be retained by the licensee, 1/4 paid to the state treasury for the use of the state in accordance 33 with the provisions of RSA 284:2 and 1/4 shall be paid to the racing and charitable gaming 34 commission. The racing and charitable gaming commission shall distribute such breakage to the 35 licensee which paid such breakage [to-supplement purses of live races conducted by the licensee at 36 the location from which such breakage was paid]. Each licensee shall pay the tax provided for in 37

RSA 284:23.

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2 II. The commission on all win, place, and show pari-mutuel pools at tracks or race meets at which harness horse races are conducted for public exhibition, including those conducted by 3 agricultural fairs, shall be uniform throughout the state at the rate of 19 percent of each dollar 4 wagered in such pools, and the commission on all other pari-mutuel pools at such tracks or race 5 6 meets shall be at the rate of not less than 25 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools and not 7 more than 26 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools as determined from time to time by the 8 licensee which conducts live harness horse racing after written notice to the commission and, in the 9 absence of such written notice, at the rate of 25 percent of each dollar wagered in such pools. In 10 addition to the above commission, 1/2 of the odd cents of all redistribution based on each dollar wagered exceeding a sum equal to the next lowest multiple of 10, known as "breakage", shall be 11 12retained by the licensee, 1/4 paid to the state treasury for the use of the state in accordance with the 13 provisions of RSA 284:2 and 1/4 shall be paid to the racing and charitable gaming commission. The 14 racing and charitable gaming commission shall distribute such breakage [to the licensee which paid such breakage]. Each licensee shall pay the tax provided for in RSA 284:23. 15

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21 Repeal. RSA 284:22, IV relative to breakage on pari-mutuel pools, is repealed.

17 22 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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# AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Defines game operator employers.

II. Requires that game operators pay charities participating in charitable gaming no later than 15 business days following a game date.

III. Raises the amount of bond required for conducting games of chance.

IV. Requires charitable organizations to collect certain fees on lucky 7 deals and pay them to the racing and charitable gaming commission.

V. Allows private campgrounds and hotels to conduct certain bingo games without a license.

VI. Allows the racing and charitable gaming commission to distribute breakage to pari-mutuel licensees without consideration of live racing.

# Committee Minutes

### SENATE CALENDAR NOTICE WAYS AND MEANS

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### Ways and Means Committee

### **Hearing Report**

To: Members of the Senate

From: Sonja Caldwell Legislative Aide

**Re: SB136-FN** –relative to games of chance.

Hearing date: February 23, 2011

Members present: Sen. Odell, Sen. Luther, Sen. Boutin, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Morse, Sen. Rausch

Members absent:

Sponsor(s): Sen. Odell, Dist 8

What the bill does: I. Defines different types of game operators.

II. Requires that game operators pay charities participating in charitable gaming no later than 15 calendar days following a game date.

III. Raises the amount of bond required for conducting games of chance.

IV. Requires charitable organizations to collect certain fees on Lucky 7 deals and pay them to the racing and charitable gaming commission.

V. Allows private campgrounds and hotels to conduct certain bingo games without a license.

**Who supports the bill:** Paul Kelley (Director, Racing and Gaming), Rick Newman (The Lodge at Belmont), Fran Wendelboe (NH Charitable Fundraising LLC)

Who opposes the bill:

Taking no position:

Summary of testimony received:

Senator Odell introduced the bill, which makes changes and corrections in applicable statutes. He said the bill still needs additional changes and he will

work with Paul Kelly on an amendment. He added that as charitable gaming evolves, we have to update the statutes.

**Paul Kelly** – Racing and Gaming Commission – went over some of the technical changes the bill makes.

- Currently, licenses expire on December 31st each year and they want to change it to the month of birth of the licensed person instead.
- The bill will allow for electronic fund transfers.
- Currently the law doesn't specify when a charity must be paid by. This will require game operators to pay charities within 15 days following a game date.
- It raises the bond requirement to \$500,000 from \$300,000 for conducting games of chance.
- He said they had an issue where money for bingo games was absconded by a member of an organization. They want to suggest stronger language, possibly a felony, instead of bond, which is punitive toward the charity.
- Campground bingo has a maximum bet of 10 cents. It is not a good use of their time to regulate that so the bill will eliminate the license requirement for them.

Senator Odell said one of the reasons for the bond change is because there was some problems with using money that should have been available for the charities.

They will bring an amendment on March 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Speakers

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# Committee Report

### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

### SENATE

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE**

Date: March 8, 2011

THE COMMITTEE ON Ways and Means

to which was referred Senate Bill 136-FN

AN ACT relative to games of chance.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill:

### OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

AMENDMENT # 0687s

Senator Jim Luther For the Committee

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### **Docket of SB136**

**Docket Abbreviations** 

Bill Title: relative to games of chance.

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Date	Body	Description
2/3/2011	S	Introduced and Referred to Ways & Means, SJ 5, Pg.45
2/17/2011	S	Hearing: 2/23/11, Room 100, State House, 1:15 p.m.; SC12
3/8/2011	S	Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment <b>#2011-0687s</b> , 3/16/11; <b>SC15</b>
3/16/2011	S	Committee Amendment 0687s, AA, VV
3/16/2011	S	Ought to Pass with Amendment 0687s, MA, VV; Refer to Finance Rule 4-3
3/17/2011	S	Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment <b>#2011-0999s</b> , 3/23/2011; <b>SC16</b>
3/23/2011	S	Committee Amendment 0999s, AA, VV; <b>SJ 10</b> , Pg.176
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- $\underline{X}$  SIGN-UP SHEET(S)
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