

SB 19-FN - AS INTRODUCED

2023 SESSION

23-0768
02/08

SENATE BILL ***19-FN***

AN ACT relative to bingo dates.

SPONSORS: Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Rosenwald, Dist 13; Sen. Gannon, Dist 23; Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Innis, Dist 7; Sen. Soucy, Dist 18; Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17

COMMITTEE: Ways and Means

ANALYSIS

This bill increases the permitted number of game dates of bingo allowed for licensees each month and within each calendar year.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three

AN ACT relative to bingo dates.

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

1 Bingo Licenses; Game Dates. Amend RSA 287-E:6, II(a)-(b) to read as follows:

(a) No more than one license shall be issued to a charitable organization per calendar month, and the license shall permit no more than [~~10~~] **16** game dates of bingo in one calendar month, and in no more than one town or city which has authorized bingo games under RSA 287-E:27. The license shall expire on the last game date authorized under said license.

(b) The provisions of subparagraph II(a) notwithstanding, a license may be issued to a charitable organization per fiscal year, and the license shall permit no more than ~~[10]~~ **16** game dates of bingo in one calendar month and no more than ~~[120]~~ **192** game dates of bingo in one calendar year. The license shall expire on the last game date authorized under the license. Charitable organizations electing to receive an annual license under this paragraph shall be ineligible to receive concurrently a monthly license under subparagraph II(a), and charitable organizations licensed under subparagraph II(a) shall be ineligible to receive concurrently an annual license under this subparagraph.

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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**SB 19-FN- FISCAL NOTE
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AN ACT relative to bingo dates.

FISCAL IMPACT: State County Local None

STATE:	Estimated Increase / (Decrease)			
	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Appropriation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue	\$0	\$23,400	\$23,400	\$23,400
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Funding Source:	<input type="checkbox"/> General Fund <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Highway <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - Lottery			

METHODOLOGY:

This bill will increase the number of bingo events a licensed charitable organization can offer from 10 in one calendar month and 120 in one calendar year, to 16 and 192, respectively, therefore allowing each to offer up to 72 more events per year. The Lottery Commission states there are currently approximately 52 charitable organizations licensed to offer bingo (to which this bill is not expected to change) and the license event fee is \$25. To this extent, the maximum annual revenue created by this bill could be \$93,600 (72 events X 52 charitable organizations X \$25 fee). Based on staffing (and other) limitations, the Lottery Commission does not expect each organization to max out on possible bingo events, and anticipates the increase to be no more than 25%, or \$23,400 per year in additional revenue. Lottery revenue is credited to the lottery fund, with net revenues after expenditures being credited to the state education trust fund. It is assumed this bill will not impact bingo games until July 2023 at the earliest.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Lottery Commission

Amendment to SB 19-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT relative to the operation of bingo games and the sale of lucky 7 tickets.

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5 Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following and renumbering the original section 2 to
6 read as 5:

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8 2 Operation of Bingo Games. Amend RSA 287-E:7, II(a) to read as follows:

9 II.(a) No compensation shall be paid to bona fide members of a charitable organization or
10 others, except as provided in subparagraph (b), who operate or assist in the operation of a bingo
11 game. Compensation shall include, but is not necessarily limited to, money or any other thing of
12 value. Bona fide members of a charitable organization who operate or assist in the operation of
13 bingo games may be reimbursed for their ~~[out-of-pocket]~~ expenses in an amount not to exceed ~~[\$25]~~
14 **\$50** per game date, provided that such expenses are ~~[itemized and]~~ submitted in writing to the
15 charitable organization.

16 3 New Subparagraph; Sale of Lucky 7 Tickets. Amend RSA 287-E:21, II by inserting after
17 subparagraph (c) the following new subparagraph:

18 (d) Lucky 7 tickets may be sold in conjunction with bingo games for no more than 16
19 game dates in one calendar month, and no more than 192 game dates in one calendar year.

20 4 Sale of Lucky 7 Tickets. Amend RSA 287-E:21, III-a to read as follows:

21 III-a. Lucky 7 tickets may be sold by dispenser devices approved by the commission and
22 located at the regular meeting place of, or at a facility owned, leased, or utilized by, the licensee for
23 its activities, including facilities licensed under RSA 287-D, provided that such device dispenses a
24 paper or cardboard ticket and specifications for such dispenser device are contained in the rules of
25 the commission. Any permitted lucky 7 device shall not be in the nature of a slot machine and the
26 outcome of any wager involving a permitted lucky 7 device shall be determined by the cardboard or
27 paper ticket, or the video monitor when so equipped. Devices capable of displaying the outcome on a
28 video monitor shall provide the player with the option of printing a paper ticket. No charitable
29 organization shall be licensed to sell lucky 7 tickets for more than ~~[10]~~ **16** days per month when
30 selling tickets at a facility licensed under RSA 287-D. Lucky 7 tickets sold at said facilities may be
31 sold during all hours for which the facility is licensed to operate.

Amendment to SB 19-FN
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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill increases the permitted number of game dates of bingo and lucky 7 ticket sales allowed for licensees each month and within each calendar year, changes the reimbursement amounts that may be paid to bona fide members of charitable organizations, and allows Lucky 7 tickets to be sold in conjunction with bingo games.

CONSENT CALENDAR

May 9, 2023

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred SB 19-FN,

AN ACT relative to bingo dates. Having considered the same, report the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.

Rep. Fred Plett

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Ways and Means
Bill Number:	SB 19-FN
Title:	relative to bingo dates.
Date:	May 9, 2023
Consent Calendar:	CONSENT
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT 2023- 1739h

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill, as amended, changes the allowable dates for bingo and lucky 7 for a charity from 10 to 16 days. This also allows charities to pay its volunteers \$50 for expenses, up from \$25.

Vote 19-0.

Rep. Fred Plett
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

Ways and Means

SB 19-FN, relative to bingo dates. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Fred Plett for Ways and Means. This bill, as amended, changes the allowable dates for bingo and lucky 7 for a charity from 10 to 16 days. This also allows charities to pay its volunteers \$50 for expenses, up from \$25. **Vote 19-0.**

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Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill #: SB 58 Motion: OTPA AM #: 1490h Exec Session Date: 5/2/23

Members	YEAS	Nays	NV
Roy, Terry Chairman	20		
Rhodes, Jennifer M. Vice Chairman	1		
Pratt, Kevin M. <i>Wallace</i>	2		
Sytek, John	3		
Proulx, Mark L.	4		
Janvrin, Jason A. <i>Moffett</i>	5		
Mannion, Dennis	6		
Reid, Karen A	7		
Stone, Jonathan F.	8		
Tenczar, Jeffrey	9		
Harriott-Gathright, Linda C.	10		
Meuse, David	11		
Bouldin, Amanda C. <i>Brennan</i>	12		
Bradley, Amy <i>Newman</i>	13		
Murphy, Nancy A. <i>Schultz</i>	14		
Newman, Ray E.	15		
Murray, Alissandra Clerk	16		
Newell, Jodi K	17		
Selig, Loren	18		
Wheeler, Jonah O	19		
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Sytek, John	3		
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Stone, Jonathan F.	8		
Tenczar, Jeffrey	9		
Harriott-Gathright, Linda C.	10		
Meuse, David	11		
Bouldin, Amanda G. Brennan	12		
Bradley, Amy Newman	13		
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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

PUBLIC HEARING ON SB 19-FN

BILL TITLE: relative to bingo dates.

DATE: April 18, 2023

LOB ROOM: 202-204 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 10:32 a.m.

Time Adjourned: 11:06 a.m.

Committee Members: Reps. Ulery, L. Sanborn, Janigian, Plett, Doucette, Spilsbury, Aures, Rochefort, Almy, Ames, Malloy, Schamberg, Fellows, Bolton, Elberger and Leapley

Bill Sponsors:

Sen. Avard

Sen. Rosenwald

Sen. Gannon

Sen. Carson

Sen. Watters

Sen. Innis

Sen. Soucy

Sen. Birdsell

Sen. Murphy

Sen. Lang

Sen. Pearl

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Daley Frenette, NH Senate Majority Caucus Director. Increases to 16 days from 10.

Senator Rosenwald – here to offer a friendly amendment to allow \$50 of expense from \$25. Rep. Almy – how do you get charities to staff events? Increased expense limit helps.

Mike McLaughlin - Community Bingo. In support. Will increase in days freeze out charities? Maybe with limited impact, but with more establishments available, not a problem. Leapley – Who gets picked? Charities who can create foot traffic. Almy – How many outside of cities? None. Big places only. Rep. Schamburg – who audits? Charity. Can get state to do it. Rep. Almy – Penny bingo - Collects 7%.

Rick Newman – Spartans Drum & Bugle. Support. Commercial Bingo Halls down from 18 to about 6 – Bingo run by charitable volunteers. This will help smaller halls without sufficient #s of charities.

Paul LaFlamme – Spartans Drum & Bugle corps. He requested bill, he is Executive Director. Since 1955, bingo is a big support revenue stream. Rep. Leapley – popular social activity for seniors. Will availability go down with this bill? No.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Fred Plett, Clerk

House Remote Testify

Ways and Means Committee Testify List for Bill SB19 on 2023-04-18

Support: 9 Oppose: 1 Neutral: 0 Total to Testify: 0

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<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State</u> <u>Email Address</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testifying</u>	<u>Non-Germane</u>	<u>Signed Up</u>
Lang, Senator Tim	Sanbornton, NH kathryn.cummings@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	Senate District 2	Support	No	No	4/4/2023 1:45 PM
Rosenwald, Senator	Nashua, NH cindy.rosenwald@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	SD 13	Support	No	No	4/6/2023 11:22 AM
soucy, donna	manchester, NH donna.soucy@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	SD 18	Support	No	No	4/6/2023 11:30 AM
Watters, David	Dover, NH david.watters@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	No	No	4/11/2023 3:11 PM
Lang, Senator Tim	Sanbornton, NH kathryn.cummings@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	Senate District 2	Support	No	No	5/1/2023 9:00 AM
Rosenwald, Cindy	Nashua, NH cindy.rosenwald@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	SD 13	Support	No	No	5/1/2023 9:31 AM
Watters, David	Dover, NH david.watters@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	No	No	5/2/2023 9:48 AM
Richardson, Daniel	Nashua, NH daniel6_22@comcast.net	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	5/3/2023 10:32 AM
Soucy, Donna	manchester, NH donna.soucy@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	SD 18	Support	No	No	5/5/2023 2:20 PM
Rosenwald, Cindy	Nashua, NH cindy.rosenwald@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	SD 13	Support	No	No	5/5/2023 2:22 PM



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Ways and Means

Bill #: SB 19 Motion: ~~BE~~ AM #: 1475 Exec Session Date: 5/19/23

Members	YEAS	Nays	NV
Sanborn, Laurie J. Chairman	19		
Janigian, John C. Vice Chairman	1		
Ulery, Jordan G.	2		
Doucette, Fred G.	3		
Spilsbury, Walter	4		
Plett, Fred R. Clerk	5		
Hynes, Dan <i>See, Alvin</i>	6		
Soti, Julius F. <i>Thomas, Doug</i>	7		
Aures, Cyril Nicholas	8		
Rockefort, David <i>Bungilo, Andrew</i>	9		
Almy, Susan W.	10		
Ames, Richard	11		
Southworth, Thomas L.	12		
Malloy, Dennis J.	13		
Schamberg, Thomas C.	14		
Fellows, Sallie D.	15		
Bolton, Bill R <i>Lloyd, Chantal</i>	16		
Elberger, Susan A	17		
Leapley, Nicole M	18		
Smith, Geoffrey			
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Bill #: SB19 Motion: OTR AM #: 1603 Exec Session Date: 5/9/23

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Sanborn, Laurie J. Chairman	19		
Janigian, John C. Vice Chairman	1		
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Elberger, Susan A	17		
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Sanborn, Laurie J. Chairman	19		
Janigian, John C. Vice Chairman	1		
Ulery, Jordan G.	2		
Doucette, Fred G.	3		
Spilsbury, Walter	4		
Plett, Fred R. Clerk	5		
Hynes, Dan <i>Sec. Almy</i>	6		
Seti, Julius F. <i>Thomas, Doug</i>	7		
Aures, Cyril Nicholas	8		
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