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SENATE BILL NO. 696

Offered January 16, 2008

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-340.26 of the Code of Virginia, relating to charitable gaming; conduct of raffles.

Patron—Colgan

Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-340.26 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-340.26. Sale of raffle tickets; drawings.

A. Except as provided in subsection B, a qualified organization may sell raffle tickets both in and out of the jurisdiction designated in its permit and shall conduct the drawing within the Commonwealth.

B. A qualified organization may sell raffle tickets for a raffle drawing which will be held outside the Commonwealth, provided the raffle is conducted in accordance with (i) the regulations of the Board and (ii) the laws and regulations of the jurisdiction in which the raffle drawing will be held.

C. Before a prize drawing, each stub or other detachable section of each ticket sold or won through some other authorized charitable game conducted by the same organization holding the raffle, shall be placed into a receptacle from which the winning tickets are drawn. The receptacle shall be designed so that each ticket placed in it has an equal chance of being drawn.