

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2020 SESSION

CHAPTER 979

An Act to amend and reenact § 18.2-340.26:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Virginia Charitable Gaming Board; electronic versions of instant bingo, pull tabs or seal cards.

[H 1681]

Approved April 9, 2020

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

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

§ 18.2-340.26:1. Sale of instant bingo, pull tabs or seal cards; proceeds not counted as gross receipts.

A. Instant bingo, pull tabs or seal cards may be sold only upon the premises owned or exclusively leased by the organization and at such times as the portion of the premises in which the instant bingo, pull tabs or seal cards are sold is open only to members and their guests. Nothing in this article shall be construed to prohibit the conduct of games of chance involving the sale of pull tabs or seal cards, commonly known as last sale games, conducted in accordance with this section.

B. The proceeds from instant bingo, pull tabs or seal cards shall not be included in determining the gross receipts for a qualified organization provided the gaming (i) is limited exclusively to members of the organization and their guests, (ii) is not open to the general public, and (iii) there is no public solicitation or advertisement made regarding such gaming.

C. *No more than 18 devices that facilitate the play of electronic versions of instant bingo, pull tabs or seal cards, commonly referred to as electronic pull tabs, may be used upon the premises owned or exclusively leased by the organization and at such times as the portion of the premises in which the instant bingo, pull tabs or seal cards are sold is open only to members and their guests. The Board may approve exceptions to this requirement where there is a special or documented need.*