
HOUSE BILL 1125

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1 AN ACT Relating to prohibiting certain lottery activities; and
2 amending RCW 67.70.010 and 67.70.040.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 67.70.010 and 1987 c 511 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 For the purposes of this chapter:

7 (1) "Commission" means the state lottery commission established by
8 this chapter(~~(1)~~).

9 (2) (~~("Lottery" or "state lottery" means the lottery established~~
10 ~~and operated pursuant to this chapter;~~

11 ~~(3)~~) "Director" means the director of the state lottery
12 established by this chapter.

13 (3) "Lottery" or "state lottery" means the lottery established and
14 operated pursuant to this chapter.

15 (4) "On-line game" means a lottery game in which a player pays a
16 fee to a lottery retailer and selects a combination of digits, numbers,
17 or symbols, type and amount of play, and receives a computer-generated
18 ticket with those selections, and the lottery holds a drawing to
19 determine the winning combination or combinations of selections.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 67.70.040 and 1991 c 359 s 1 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 The commission shall have the power, and it shall be its duty:

4 (1) To promulgate such rules governing the establishment and
5 operation of a state lottery as it deems necessary and desirable in
6 order that such a lottery be initiated at the earliest feasible and
7 practicable time, and in order that such lottery produce the maximum
8 amount of net revenues for the state consonant with the dignity of the
9 state and the general welfare of the people. Such rules shall include,
10 but shall not be limited to, the following:

11 (a) The type of lottery to be conducted which may include the
12 selling of tickets or shares(~~((The use of))~~), but shall not include
13 any game designated as keno or any game using electronic or mechanical
14 devices or video terminals which allow for individual play against such
15 devices or terminals ((shall be prohibited)). Approval of the
16 legislature shall be required before entering any agreement with other
17 state lotteries to conduct shared games;

18 (b) The price, or prices, of tickets or shares in the lottery;

19 (c) The numbers and sizes of the prizes on the winning tickets or
20 shares;

21 (d) The manner of selecting the winning tickets or shares;

22 (e) The manner and time of payment of prizes to the holder of
23 winning tickets or shares which, at the director's option, may be paid
24 in lump sum amounts or installments over a period of years;

25 (f) The frequency of the drawings or selections of winning tickets
26 or shares, without limitation, except that the drawings or selection of
27 winning tickets for any on-line game shall not occur more frequently
28 than once every twenty-four hours;

29 (g) Without limit as to number, the type or types of locations at
30 which tickets or shares may be sold;

31 (h) The method to be used in selling tickets or shares, but on-line
32 game tickets may be sold for the next drawing only;

33 (i) The licensing of agents to sell or distribute tickets or
34 shares, except that a person under the age of eighteen shall not be
35 licensed as an agent;

36 (j) The manner and amount of compensation, if any, to be paid
37 licensed sales agents necessary to provide for the adequate
38 availability of tickets or shares to prospective buyers and for the
39 convenience of the public;

1 (k) The apportionment of the total revenues accruing from the sale
2 of lottery tickets or shares and from all other sources among: (i) The
3 payment of prizes to the holders of winning tickets or shares, which
4 shall not be less than forty-five percent of the gross annual revenue
5 from such lottery, less amounts of unclaimed prizes deposited in the
6 general fund under RCW 67.70.190 during the fiscal year ending June 30,
7 1989, (ii) transfers to the lottery administrative account created by
8 RCW 67.70.260, and (iii) transfer to the state's general fund.
9 Transfers to the state general fund shall be made in compliance with
10 RCW 43.01.050;

11 (1) Such other matters necessary or desirable for the efficient and
12 economical operation and administration of the lottery and for the
13 convenience of the purchasers of tickets or shares and the holders of
14 winning tickets or shares.

15 (2) To ensure that in each place authorized to sell lottery tickets
16 or shares, on the back of the ticket or share, and in any advertising
17 or promotion there shall be conspicuously displayed an estimate of the
18 probability of purchasing a winning ticket.

19 (3) To amend, repeal, or supplement any such rules from time to
20 time as it deems necessary or desirable.

21 (4) To advise and make recommendations to the director for the
22 operation and administration of the lottery.

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