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HOUSE BILL 252

54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

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AN ACT

RELATING TO GAMING; AMENDING THE NEW MEXICO BINGO AND RAFFLE
ACT TO ALLOW TAX-EXEMPT NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO HOLD A BINGO
OCCASION OR RAFFLE A LIMITED NUMBER OF TIMES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 60-2F-26 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2009,
Chapter 81, Section 26) is amended to read:

"60-2F-26. EXEMPTIONS.--

A. Except as provided in Subsection B of this
section, nothing in the New Mexico Bingo and Raffle Act shall
be construed to apply to:

(1) a drawing or a prize at a fair or fiesta
held in New Mexico under the sponsorship or authority of the
state or any of its political subdivisions, or for the benefit
of a religious organization situated in this state or for

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1 charitable purposes when all the proceeds of the sale or
2 drawing shall be expended within New Mexico for the benefit of
3 that political subdivision, religious organization or
4 charitable purpose; or

5 (2) a bingo or a raffle held by a qualified
6 organization or a nonprofit tax-exempt organization that holds
7 no more than one bingo occasion or one raffle in any three
8 consecutive calendar months and not exceeding four occasions in
9 one calendar year.

10 B. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A
11 of this section, no raffle with an individual prize exceeding
12 seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) shall be held without a
13 ten-day prior notification to the board of the conduct of the
14 event and a subsequent notification to the board of the names,
15 addresses and phone numbers of all prize winners.

16 C. Nothing in the New Mexico Bingo and Raffle Act
17 shall be construed to apply to a lottery established and
18 operated pursuant to the New Mexico Lottery Act or gaming that
19 is licensed and operated pursuant to the Gaming Control Act."

20 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
21 provisions of this act is July 1, 2019.