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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

AN ACT

RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS - CREDIT UNIONS

Introduced By: Senators Pichardo, Goodwin, Gallo, Perry, and Miller

Date Introduced: February 11, 2010

Referred To: Senate Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 19-5 of the General Laws entitled "Credit Unions" is hereby
2	amended by adding thereto the following section:
3	19-5-29. Savings promotion raffle (a) If authorized by the credit union board, a
4	domestic credit union may conduct a savings promotion raffle. The domestic credit union shall
5	conduct a savings promotion raffle so that each token or ticket representing an entry in the raffle
6	has an equal chance of being drawn. A domestic credit union shall not conduct a savings
7	promotion raffle in a manner that jeopardizes the domestic credit union's safety and soundness or
8	misleads its members.
9	(b) Pursuant to his or her supervisory powers the director of state lotteries shall examine
10	the conduct of a savings promotion raffle. The director may issue a cease and desist order for a
11	violation of this section.
12	(c) A domestic credit union shall maintain records sufficient to facilitate an audit of a
13	savings promotion raffle.
14	(d) As used in this section, "savings promotion raffle" means a raffle conducted by a
15	domestic credit union where the sole consideration required for a chance of winning designated
16	prizes is the deposit of at least a specified amount of money in a savings account or other savings
17	program offered by the domestic credit union.
18	SECTION 2. Chapter 42-61 of the General Laws entitled "State Lottery" is hereby
19	amended by adding thereto the following section:

- 1 <u>42-61-18. Credit union savings lottery authorized. --</u> <u>Credit unions organized pursuant</u>
- 2 to chapter 19-15 of the general laws are hereby authorized to conduct lotteries in accordance with
- 3 <u>section 19-5-29 of the general laws.</u>
- SECTION 3. Section 11-19-1.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 11-19 entitled "Gambling
 and Lotteries" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 6 <u>11-19-1.1. Lotteries permitted. ---</u> (a) Any state, city, town, ward, or district committee 7 elected pursuant to the provisions of title 17 or certified candidates, but not both, as defined in 8 title 17, shall be allowed to conduct that lottery commonly known as a "twenty (20) week club" or 9 conduct a raffle once within a twelve (12) month period subsequent to notification to the Rhode 10 Island lottery commission. For the purposes of this section a "certified candidate" does not 11 include any state, city, town, ward, or district committee person. 12 (b) Domestic credit unions may conduct "savings promotion raffles" as authorized by
- 13 <u>section 19-5-29.</u>
- 14 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1 This act would permit credit unions to conduct savings promotion raffles.

2 This act would take effect upon passage.

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