

Session 114 - (2001-2002)

H 4990 General Bill, By Cooper

Summary: Bingo, provisions relating to

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-3920, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR BINGO, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION FOR "PROMOTER" AND "SESSION" AND ADD DEFINITIONS FOR "ELECTRONIC DABBER", "ELECTRONIC DABBER BINGO TICKET", AND "SITE SYSTEM"; TO AMEND SECTIONS 12-21-3950 AND 12-21-3970, RELATING TO THE BINGO PROMOTER'S LICENSE, SO AS TO INCREASE FROM THIRTY TO FORTY-FIVE DAYS THE TIME THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE HAS TO APPROVE OR REJECT AN APPLICATION FOR A PROMOTER'S LICENSE AND ALLOW A PROMOTER TO HAVE FIFTEEN RATHER THAN FIVE OF THESE LICENSES; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-3990, RELATING TO THE MANNER OF PLAYING BINGO, SO AS TO PROHIBIT PAYING LESS THAN FACE VALUE FOR CARDS AND PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF CARDS WITH AN ELECTRONIC DABBER; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4000, RELATING TO BINGO PROCEDURES, SO AS TO ALLOW THE LIMIT ON BINGO GROSS PROCEEDS TO BE A QUARTERLY AVERAGE AND PROVIDE THAT THE PENALTIES APPLY FOR VIOLATION OF THE GROSS PROCEEDS LIMIT ONLY IF THE EXCESS PROCEEDS TAX IS UNPAID AND TO PROHIBIT THE ADVERTISING OF "FREE BINGO"; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4020, RELATING TO THE VARIOUS CLASSES OF THE BINGO LICENSE, SO AS TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT THAT MAY BE OFFERED FROM EIGHT TO TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS A SESSION AND TO INCREASE FROM THREE TO SIX GAMES A WEEK THE GAMES THAT MAY BE CONDUCTED BY A CLASS B LICENSEE AND PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR A CLASS C LICENSEE TO APPLY FOR A CLASS G LICENSE WHEN IT EXCEEDS ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN GROSS PROCEEDS, AND ESTABLISH A CLASS G LICENSE FOR AN ORGANIZATION OFFERING PRIZES OF TWENTY DOLLARS OR LESS A GAME AND WHOSE GROSS RECEIPTS EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS A CALENDAR QUARTER; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4080, RELATING TO BINGO PROCEEDS, SO AS TO DELETE THE REFERENCE TO ENTRANCE FEES IN AMOUNTS DEDUCTED FROM GROSS PROCEEDS AND PROVIDE THAT IF PROMOTER IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THE SESSION DEPOSIT, ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO INSURE THE DEPOSIT IS MADE IN A TIMELY MANNER; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4090, RELATING TO BINGO BANK ACCOUNTS, SO AS TO ALLOW THE DEPOSIT OF LOAN PROCEEDS TO COVER A DEFICIT; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4120, RELATING TO THE RIGHT TO A CONFERENCE FOLLOWING A VIOLATION, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE ADVISING RULINGS ON ACTS CONSTITUTING VIOLATIONS AND PROVIDE THAT AN ORGANIZATION OR ORGANIZER FOUND IN VIOLATION IS ENTITLED TO A CONFERENCE UPON REQUEST; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4150, RELATING TO THE CRIME OF POSING AS A BINGO PLAYER, SO AS TO INCLUDE A PERSON WHO USES COUNTERFEIT ELECTRONIC DABBER BINGO TICKETS; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4190, RELATING TO BINGO CARD CHARGES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR CHARGES TO CLASS G LICENSE HOLDERS; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4210, RELATING TO THE SALE OR TRANSFER OF BINGO CARDS, SO AS TO ALLOW THE RETURN OF PAPERS FOR CREDIT AGAINST AN OUTSTANDING VOUCHER; TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-4270, RELATING TO THE APPLICATION TO OBTAIN BINGO CARDS, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT BY CHECK AND CASH AND PROVIDE THAT FOLLOWING A RETURNED CHECK, THE ORGANIZATION OR PROMOTER MUST MAKE PAYMENT USING CERTIFIED FUNDS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 12-21-4005 SO AS TO ESTABLISH SPECIFICATIONS FOR A SITE SYSTEM AND ELECTRONIC BINGO DABBER.

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| 04/18/02 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Finance SJ-12 |
| 05/15/02 | Senate | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Finance SJ-17 |