CHAPTER 52--S.F.No. 634

An act relating to lawful gambling; making changes relating to games, licensing, reporting, and other regulatory provisions; making technical, clarifying, and conforming changes;amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 349.12, subdivisions 3c, 18; 349.16, by adding a subdivision; 349.161, by adding a subdivision; 349.163, subdivision 9, by adding a subdivision; 349.1635, by adding a subdivision; 349.1641; 349.165, subdivision 5; 349.166; 349.168, subdivision 8; 349.169; 349.17, subdivisions 3, 7, 9; 349.1721, subdivision 4; 349.173; 349.181, subdivision 3; 349.19, subdivisions 2, 5; 349.211, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.19, subdivision 9b.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.12, subdivision 3c, is amended to read:

Subd. 3c. **Bar bingo.** "Bar bingo" is a bingo occasion conducted at a permitted premises in an area where on-sale intoxicating liquor or on-sale 3.2 percent malt beverages are sold and where ~~the~~ a licensed organization conducts another form of lawful gambling and consents to the conduct of bar bingo on the premises. Bar bingo does not include bingo games linked to other permitted premises.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.12, subdivision 18, is amended to read:

Subd. 18. **Gambling equipment.** "Gambling equipment" means gambling equipment that is either disposable or permanent gambling equipment.

(a) Disposable gambling equipment includes the following:

(1) bingo hard cards or paper sheets, including linked bingo paper sheets;

(2) paper and electronic pull-tabs;

(3) jar tickets;

(4) paddle tickets and paddle ticket cards;

(5) tipboards and tipboard tickets; ~~and~~

(6) promotional tickets that mimic a pull-tab or tipboard~~.~~; and

(7) application software and those computer programs provided by a licensed manufacturer in the production, play, and reporting of board-approved electronic pull-tab games or electronic bingo games.

(b) Permanent gambling equipment includes the following:

(1) devices for selecting bingo numbers;

(2) electronic bingo devices;

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(3) electronic pull-tab devices;

(4) pull-tab dispensing devices;

(5) programmable electronic devices that have no effect on the outcome of a game and are used to provide a visual or auditory enhancement of a game;

(6) paddlewheels; and

(7) paddlewheel tables.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.16, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2a. **Merged organizations.** If two or more organizations merge or otherwise join together to form a new organization and at least one of the organizations has an active lawful gambling license, the board shall consider the new organization to have been in existence for the most recent three years if all other requirements of subdivision 2 are met.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.161, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9. **Distributor license termination plan.** (a) A licensed distributor that surrenders, withdraws, or otherwise terminates its license must submit to the board, in writing, a termination plan. Termination of a license may occur due to revocation or denial of the license by the board, or by the distributor voluntarily quitting its business. Termination plans must be approved by the executive director.

(b) The termination plan must include a certified physical inventory in a format prescribed by the board. The certified physical inventory must also be submitted to the commissioner of revenue. The certified physical inventory must include the following information:

(1) an inventory of all gambling equipment as of the date the form is prepared, including name, form number, bar code information, and quantity of all gambling equipment in the distributor's inventory; and

(2) plans for disposal of all gambling equipment by the date of termination. After the date on which a license is terminated, it is illegal for a distributor to possess gambling equipment.

(c) The distributor or its designated agent must keep all invoices and other required documentation related to the sale or disposal of equipment for 3-1/2 years after the license has been terminated.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.163, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Sales required.** No licensed manufacturer may refuse to sell gambling equipment to a licensed distributor unless:

(1) a specific type of gambling equipment sold on an exclusive basis is at issue;

(2) the manufacturer does not sell gambling equipment to any distributor in Minnesota;

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(3) a Minnesota statute or rule prohibits the sale; or

(4) the distributor is delinquent on any payment owed to the manufacturer.

This subdivision does not apply to application software and those computer programs used by a licensed manufacturer in the production, play, and reporting of board-approved electronic pull-tab games or electronic bingo games.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.163, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 10. **Manufacturer license termination plan.** (a) A manufacturer that surrenders, withdraws, or otherwise terminates its license must submit to the board, in writing, a termination plan. Termination of a license may occur due to revocation or denial of the license by the board, or by the manufacturer voluntarily quitting its business. Termination plans must be approved by the executive director.

(b) The license termination plan must include the manufacturer's agreement to accept returned defective equipment and issue credit for defective products up to six months after the license termination date.

(c) The manufacturer or its designated agent must keep all invoices and other required documentation related to the sale or disposal of gambling equipment for 3-1/2 years after the license has been terminated.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.1635, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. **Linked bingo game provider license termination plan.** (a) A linked bingo game provider that surrenders, withdraws, or otherwise terminates its license must submit to the board, in writing, a termination plan. Termination of a license may occur due to revocation or denial of the license by the board, or by the linked bingo game provider voluntarily quitting its business. Termination plans must be approved by the executive director.

(b) The license termination plan must include the reconciliation and refund of all unredeemed prize pool contributions to organizations and the disposal of equipment.

(c) The linked bingo game provider or its designated agent must keep all invoices and other required documentation related to the sale or disposal of gambling equipment for 3-1/2 years after the license has been terminated.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.1641, is amended to read:

349.1641 LICENSES; SUMMARY SUSPENSION.

(a) The board may (1) summarily suspend the license of an organization that is more than 45 days late in filing a monthly report required to be submitted to the board under this chapter or board rule or a tax return or in paying a tax required under chapter 297E and may keep the suspension in effect until all required returns are filed and required taxes are paid; (2) summarily suspend for not more than 90 days any license issued by the board or director for what the board determines are actions detrimental to the integrity of lawful gambling in Minnesota; (3) summarily suspend the license of a gambling manager who has failed to

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receive the training required under section 349.167, subdivision 4, clause (2), and may keep the suspension in effect until the gambling manager passes an examination prepared and administered by the board. The examination does not qualify as continuing education credit for the next calendar year; and (4) summarily suspend the license of an organization that fails to pay the fees required under section 349.16, 349.165, or 349.167, and may keep the suspension in effect until all required fees are paid.

(b) The board must notify the licensee at least 14 days before suspending the license under this section. If a license is summarily suspended under this section, a contested case hearing on the merits must be held within 20 days of the issuance of the order of suspension, unless the parties agree to a later hearing date. The administrative law judge's report must be issued within 20 days after the close of the hearing record. In all cases involving summary suspension, the board must issue its final decision within 30 days after receipt of the report of the administrative law judge and subsequent exceptions and argument under section 14.61. When an organization's license is suspended under this section, the board shall within three days notify all municipalities in which the organization's gambling premises are located and all licensed distributors in the state.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.165, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Off-site permits.** (a) A licensed organization may conduct lawful gambling on a premises other than the organization's permitted premises if it has first submitted to the board an application and a lease on forms provided by the board, obtained authorization required under section 349.213, and received a permit from the board for each event up to 12 events in a calendar year ~~in connection with a county fair, the State Fair, a church festival, or a civic celebration~~, not to exceed three days per event.

(b) No lease is required for the conduct of a raffle.

(c) No fee may be assessed for an off-site permit by the board or by local authority under section 349.213.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.166, is amended to read:

349.166 EXCLUSIONS; EXEMPTIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Exclusions.** (a) Bingo, with the exception of linked bingo games, may be conducted without a license and without complying with sections 349.168, subdivisions 1 and 2; 349.17, subdivisions 4 and 5; 349.18, subdivision 1; and 349.19, if it is conducted:

(1) by an organization in connection with a county fair, the state fair, or a civic celebration and is not conducted for more than 12 consecutive days and is limited to no more than four separate applications for activities applied for and approved in a calendar year; or

(2) by an organization that conducts bingo on four or fewer days in a calendar year.

An organization that holds a license to conduct lawful gambling under this chapter may not conduct bingo under this subdivision.

(b) Bingo may be conducted within a nursing home or a senior citizen housing project or by a senior citizen organization if the prizes for a single bingo game do not exceed $10, total prizes awarded at a single

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bingo occasion do not exceed $200, ~~no more than two bingo occasions are held by the organization or at the facility each week,~~ only members of the organization or residents and their guests of the nursing home or housing project are allowed to play in a bingo game, no compensation is paid for any persons who conduct the bingo, and a manager is appointed to supervise the bingo. Bingo conducted under this paragraph is exempt from sections 349.11 to 349.23, and the board may not require an organization that conducts bingo under this paragraph, or the manager who supervises the bingo, to register or file a report with the board. The gross receipts from bingo conducted under the limitations of this subdivision are exempt from taxation under chapter 297A.

(c) Raffles may be conducted by an organization without registering with the board if the value of all raffle prizes awarded by the organization in a calendar year does not exceed $1,500 or, if the organization is a 501(c)(3) organization, if the value of all raffle prizes awarded by the organization at one event in a calendar year does not exceed $5,000.

(d) Except as provided in paragraph (b), the organization must maintain all required records of excluded gambling activity for 3-1/2 years.

Subd. 2. **Exemptions.** (a) Lawful gambling, with the exception of linked bingo games, may be conducted by an organization without a license and without complying with sections 349.168, subdivisions 1 and 2; 349.17, subdivision 4; 349.18, subdivision 1; and 349.19 if:

(1) the organization conducts lawful gambling on five or fewer days in a calendar year;

(2) the organization does not award more than $50,000 in prizes for lawful gambling in a calendar year;

(3) the organization submits a board-prescribed application and pays a fee of $50 to the board for each gambling occasion, and receives an exempt permit number from the board. If the application is postmarked or received less than 30 days before the gambling occasion, the fee is $100 for that application. The application must include the date and location of the occasion, the types of lawful gambling to be conducted, and the prizes to be awarded;

(4) the organization notifies the local government unit 30 days before the lawful gambling occasion, or 60 days for an occasion held in a city of the first class;

(5) the organization purchases all gambling equipment and supplies from a licensed distributor; and

(6) the organization reports to the board, on a single-page form prescribed by the board, within 30 days of each gambling occasion, the gross receipts, prizes, expenses, expenditures of net profits from the occasion, and the identification of the licensed distributor from whom all gambling equipment was purchased.

(b) No more than one organization exempted or excluded from licensing requirements may conduct an individual raffle.

(1) Exempted or excluded organizations may not combine the use of raffle tickets.

(2) Raffle tickets must not be attached to or combined with other exempted or excluded organizations' raffle tickets and must be sold separately from other exempted or excluded organizations' raffle tickets.

~~(b)~~ (c) If the organization fails to file a timely report as required by paragraph (a), clause (6), the board shall not issue any authorization, license, or permit to the organization to conduct lawful gambling on an

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exempt, excluded, or licensed basis until the report has been filed and the organization may be subject to penalty as determined by the board. The board may refuse to issue any authorization, license, or permit if a report or application is determined to be incomplete or knowingly contains false or inaccurate information.

~~(c)~~ (d) Merchandise prizes must be valued at their fair market value.

~~(d)~~ (e) Organizations that qualify to conduct exempt raffles under paragraph (a)~~,~~ are exempt from section 349.173, paragraph (b), clause (2), if the raffle tickets are sold only in combination with an organization's membership or a ticket for an organization's membership dinner and are not included with any other raffle conducted under the exempt permit.

~~(e)~~ (f) Unused pull-tab and tipboard deals must be returned to the distributor within seven working days after the end of the lawful gambling occasion. The distributor must accept and pay a refund for all returns of unopened and undamaged deals returned under this paragraph.

~~(f)~~ (g) The organization must maintain all required records of exempt gambling activity for 3-1/2 years.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after final enactment for all permits with an effective date of July 1, 2015, or later.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.168, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Compensation paid.** (a) A licensed organization may pay a percentage of the gross profit from raffle ticket sales to a nonprofit organization that sells raffle tickets for the licensed organization.

(b) A licensed organization may compensate an employee of the organization for the sale of gambling equipment at a bar operation if the frequency of the activity is one day or less per week and the games are limited to 32 chances or less per game. For purposes of this paragraph, an employee must not be a lessor, employee of the lessor, or an immediate family member of the lessor.

(c) An organization that leases a premises may not pay compensation to the lessor, a member of the lessor's immediate family, or the lessor's employees, other than as a seller of pull-tabs and tipboards within a booth operation on the premises. An employee of the lessor or a member of the lessor's immediate family may be compensated by an organization for the conduct of gambling at other sites not owned by the lessor.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.169, is amended to read:

349.169 FILING OF ~~PRICES~~ INVENTORY AND DISCOUNTS.

Subdivision 1. **Filing required.** ~~When required by the board,~~ Manufacturers, distributors, and linked bingo game providers must file, by the 20th of each month, with the director a list of all gambling equipment that the ~~prices at which the~~ manufacturer, distributor, or linked bingo game provider ~~will sell all gambling equipment currently offered for sale by that manufacturer, distributor, or linked bingo game provider~~ sold or leased in the preceding month. The filing must be in a format the director prescribes.

Subd. 2. **Copies.** The director shall provide copies of ~~price~~ filings to any person requesting them and may charge a reasonable fee for the copies. Any person may examine ~~price~~ filings in the board office at no cost, and the director shall make the filings available for that purpose.

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Subd. 3. **Sales at ~~filed prices~~ discount.** When required to report under subdivision 1, ~~no manufacturer may sell to a distributor or linked bingo game provider, and no distributor or linked bingo game provider may sell to an organization, any gambling equipment for any price other than a price the manufacturer, distributor, or linked bingo game provider has filed with the director under subdivision 1, including volume discounts, and exclusive of transportation costs~~ all manufacturers, distributors, and linked bingo game providers must notify the board of any volume discounts or other discounts available for gambling equipment sales.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.17, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Winners.** Each bingo winner must be determined and every prize shall be awarded and delivered the same day on which the bingo occasion is conducted, except that payment for a ~~progressive prize or a linked~~ bingo prize of $200 or more must be delivered within three business days of the day on which the occasion was conducted.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.17, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Bar bingo.** An organization may conduct bar bingo subject to the following restrictions:

(1) the bingo is conducted at a site the organization owns or leases and which has a license for the ~~sale~~ on-sale of intoxicating beverages on the premises under chapter 340A or where on-sale 3.2 percent malt beverages are sold; and

(2) the bingo is conducted using only bingo paper sheets or facsimiles of bingo paper sheets purchased from a licensed distributor or licensed linked bingo game provider.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.17, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Linked bingo games played exclusively on electronic bingo devices.** In addition to the requirements of subdivision 8, the following requirements and restrictions apply when linked bingo games are played exclusively on electronic bingo devices.

(a) The permitted premises must be:

(1) a premises licensed for the on-sale ~~or off-sale~~ of intoxicating liquor or on-sale 3.2 percent malt beverages~~, except for a general food store or drug store permitted to sell alcoholic beverages under section 340A.405, subdivision 1~~; or

(2) a premises where bingo is conducted as the primary business and has a seating capacity of at least 100.

(b) The number of electronic bingo devices is limited to:

(1) no more than six devices in play for permitted premises with 200 seats or less;

(2) no more than 12 devices in play for permitted premises with 201 seats or more; and

(3) no more than 50 devices in play for permitted premises where bingo is the primary business.

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Seating capacity is determined as specified under the local fire code.

(c) Prior to a bingo occasion, the linked bingo game provider, on behalf of the participating organizations, must provide to the board a bingo program in a format prescribed by the board.

(d) Before participating in the play of a linked bingo game, a player must present ~~and register~~ a valid picture identification card that includes the player's ~~address and~~ date of birth.

(e) A licensed organization must require each person cashing out an electronic linked bingo device with $600 or more in credits to present identification in the form of a driver's license, Minnesota identification card, or other identification the board deems sufficient to allow the identification and tracking of the winner. The organization must retain the winner's identification in the form of a prize receipt for 3-1/2 years. A prize receipt for electronic linked bingo must include the same information as is required in board rules for a paper pull-tab game prize receipt.

(f) Except for prize receipts required by paragraph (e), an organization is not required to register or retain any information contained on the player's picture identification card.

~~(e)~~ (g) An organization may remove from play a device that a player has not maintained in an activated mode for a specified period of time determined by the organization. The organization must provide the notice in its house rules.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.1721, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Electronic pull-tab device requirements and restrictions.** The following pertain to the use of electronic pull-tab devices as defined under section 349.12, subdivision 12b.

(a) The use of any electronic pull-tab device may only be at a permitted premises that is:

(1) a premises licensed for the on-sale ~~or off-sale~~ of intoxicating liquor or on-sale 3.2 percent malt beverages~~, except for a general food store or drug store permitted to sell alcoholic beverages under section 340A.405, subdivision 1~~; or

(2) a premises where bingo is conducted as the primary business and has a seating capacity of at least 100; and

(3) where ~~the~~ a licensed organization sells paper pull-tabs and consents to the conduct of electronic pull-tab devices on the premises.

(b) The number of electronic pull-tab devices is limited to:

(1) no more than six devices in play at any permitted premises with 200 seats or less;

(2) no more than 12 devices in play at any permitted premises with 201 seats or more; and

(3) no more than 50 devices in play at any permitted premises where the primary business is bingo.

Seating capacity is determined as specified under the local fire code.

(c) The hours of operation for the devices are limited to 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.

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(d) All electronic pull-tab games must be sold and played on the permitted premises and may not be linked to other permitted premises.

(e) Electronic pull-tab games may not be transferred electronically or otherwise to any other location by the licensed organization.

(f) Electronic pull-tab games may be commingled if the games are from the same family of games and manufacturer and contain the same game name, form number, type of game, ticket count, prize amounts, and prize denominations. Each commingled game must have a unique serial number.

(g) An organization may remove from play a device that a player has not maintained in an activated mode for a specified period of time determined by the organization. The organization must provide the notice in its house rules.

(h) Before participating in the play of an electronic pull-tab game, a player must present ~~and register~~ a valid picture identification card that includes the player's ~~address and~~ date of birth.

(i) A licensed organization must require each person cashing out an electronic pull-tab device with $600 or more in credits to present identification in the form of a driver's license, Minnesota identification card, or other identification the board deems sufficient to allow the identification and tracking of the winner. The organization must retain the winner's identification in the form of a prize receipt for 3-1/2 years. A prize receipt for electronic pull-tabs must include the same information as is required in board rules for a paper pull-tab game prize receipt.

(j) Except for prize receipts required by paragraph (i), an organization is not required to register or retain any information contained on the player's picture identification card.

~~(i)~~ (k) Each player is limited to the use of one device at a time.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.173, is amended to read:

349.173 CONDUCT OF RAFFLES.

(a) Raffle tickets or certificates of participation at a minimum must list the three most expensive prizes to be awarded and include the location, date, and time of the selection of the winning entries. If additional prizes will be awarded, a complete list of additional prizes must be publicly posted or visibly on display at the event and copies of the complete prize list made available upon request. Raffles conducted under the exemptions in section 349.166 may use tickets that contain only the sequential number of the raffle ticket and no other information if the organization makes a list of prizes, or visibly displays the prizes at the event, and a statement of other relevant information required by rule available to persons purchasing tickets and if tickets are only sold at the event and on the date when the tickets are drawn.

(b) Raffles must be conducted in a manner that ensures:

(1) all entries in the raffle have an equal chance of selection;

(2) entry in the raffle is not conditioned upon any other purchase, except that a certificate of participation may be a button with a nominal value of less than $5, or as provided under paragraph (c) or (d);

(3) the method of selection is conducted in a public forum;

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(4) the method of selection cannot be manipulated or based on the outcome of an event not under the control of the organization;

(5) physical presence at the raffle is not a requirement to win; and

(6) all sold and unsold tickets or certificates of participation are accounted for.

(c) An organization that is permitted under ~~this section~~ chapters 97A to 97C and authorized by the Gambling Control Board to conduct raffles may conduct a raffle in conjunction with a wild game or fish taking event. The wild game or fish must be legally taken under chapters 97A to 97C, and rules adopted pursuant to those chapters. The organization may sell a combined ticket for a single price for the event and raffle, provided that the combined ticket states the amount of the price that applies to the wild game or fish event, and the amount that applies to the raffle. All other provisions of sections 349.11 to 349.23 apply to the raffle.

(d) An organization that is permitted under this section and authorized by the Gambling Control Board to conduct raffles may, once each calendar year, conduct a raffle in conjunction with an organization membership event. The organization may sell a combined ticket for a single price for the membership event and raffle, provided that the combined ticket states the amount of the price that applies to the membership event, and the amount that applies to the raffle. All other provisions of sections 349.11 to 349.23 apply to the raffle.

~~(d)~~ (e) Methods of selecting winning entries from a raffle other than prescribed in rule may be used with the prior written approval of the board.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.181, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Organization and lessor employees and volunteers.** (a) For purposes of this section, "volunteer" means a person who is not compensated by an organization but who performs activities in the conduct of lawful gambling for that organization.

(b) For purposes of this section, "conduct of pull-tabs, tipboards, and paddlewheels" includes selling tickets, redeeming tickets, auditing games, making deposits, spinning the paddlewheel, and conducting inventory.

(c) For purposes of this section, "conduct of bingo" includes selling bingo hard cards, bingo paper sheets, or facsimiles of bingo paper sheets; completing bingo occasion records; selecting or announcing bingo numbers; making deposits; and conducting inventory.

~~(d) An employee or volunteer who is involved in the conduct of pull-tabs, tipboards, or paddlewheels at a permitted premises may not participate directly or indirectly as a player in a pull-tab, tipboard, or paddlewheel game at that same premises. This restriction is in effect until six weeks after the employee or volunteer is no longer involved in the conduct of pull-tab, tipboard, or paddlewheel games at that same premises.~~

(d) A volunteer involved in the conduct of tipboards that have no more than 32 chances per game or paddlewheel games conducted without a paddlewheel table may not participate as a player in electronic linked bingo, pull-tab, tipboard, or paddlewheel games at the same premises on the same business day that the volunteer was involved in the conduct of the games.

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(e) An employee or a volunteer who is involved in the conduct of any lawful gambling during a bingo occasion may not participate directly or indirectly as a player in any lawful gambling during that bingo occasion.

(f) An organization or a lessor employee or volunteer who is involved in the conduct of electronic linked bingo, pull-tab games, tipboard games with more than 32 chances per game, or paddlewheel games conducted with a paddlewheel table at a permitted premises may not participate directly or indirectly as a player in electronic linked bingo, pull-tab, tipboard, or paddlewheel games at that premises. This restriction is in effect until two weeks after the employee or volunteer is no longer involved in the conduct of electronic linked bingo, pull-tab games, tipboard games with more than 32 chances per game, or paddlewheel games conducted with a paddlewheel table at that premises.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.19, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Accounts.** (a) Gross receipts from lawful gambling by each organization must be segregated from all other revenues of the conducting organization and placed in a separate gambling bank account.

(b) All expenditures for allowable expenses, taxes, and lawful purposes must be made from the separate account except (1) in the case of expenditures previously approved by the organization's membership for emergencies as defined by board rule, or (2) ~~as provided in subdivision 2a, or (3)~~ when restricted to one electronic fund transaction for the payment of taxes for the organization as a whole, the organization may transfer the amount of taxes related to the conduct of gambling to the general account at the time when due and payable.

(c) The name and address of the bank, the account number for the separate account, and the names of organization members authorized as signatories on the separate account must be provided to the board when the application is submitted. Changes in the information must be submitted to the board at least ten days before the change is made.

(d) Except as provided in paragraph (e), gambling receipts must be deposited into the gambling bank account within four business days of completion of the bingo occasion, deal, or game from which they are received.

(1) A deal of paper pull-tabs is considered complete when either the last pull-tab of the deal is sold or the organization does not continue the play of the deal during the next scheduled period of time in which the organization will conduct pull-tabs.

(2) A tipboard game is considered complete when the seal on the game flare is uncovered or the organization does not continue the play of the deal during the next scheduled period of time in which the organization will conduct tipboards.

(e) Gambling receipts from ~~all~~ electronic ~~pull-tab games and all linked electronic bingo games~~ gambling must be recorded on a daily basis and deposited into the gambling bank account within four business days when the total net receipts from all electronic games at the premises reach the sum of $2,000 or on or before the first day of the month immediately following the month during which the receipts were generated, whichever occurs first.

(f) Deposit records must be sufficient to allow determination of deposits made from each bingo occasion, deal, or game at each permitted premises.

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(g) The person who accounts for gambling gross receipts and profits may not be the same person who accounts for other revenues of the organization.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.19, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Reports.** (a) A licensed organization must report monthly to the board in an electronic format prescribed by the board and to its membership on its gross receipts, expenses, profits, and expenditure of profits from lawful gambling for each permitted premises. The organization must account for and report on each form of lawful gambling conducted. The organization must include a reconciliation of the organization's profit carryover with its cash balance on hand. All gambling fund expenditures must be reported to the board on the cash basis.

(b) The organization must report monthly to the commissioner of revenue as required under section 297E.06.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.211, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Progressive bingo games.** Except as provided in subdivision 1a, a prize of up to $2,000 may be awarded for a progressive bingo game, including a cover-all game. The prize for a progressive bingo game may start at up to $500 and be increased by up to $100 for each game or occasion during which the progressive bingo game is played. A consolation prize of up to $200 for a progressive bingo game may be awarded in each occasion during which the progressive bingo game is played and the accumulated prize is not won.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Sec. 22. **REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION.**

In the part referred to in column A of Minnesota Rules, the revisor of statutes shall delete the reference in column B and insert the reference in column C.

Column A	Column B	Column C
7861.0230, subpart 9, item A	7861.0320, subpart 1, item F	7861.0320, subpart 1, item D

Sec. 23. **SUPERSEDING ACT.**

Any repeal enacted in the 2015 session of the legislature to a section amended in this act is void.

Sec. 24. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 349.19, subdivision 9b, is repealed.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2015.

Presented to the governor May 15, 2015

Signed by the governor May 19, 2015, 3:54 p.m.

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