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Dear Presiding Officer:

This is a synopsis of the changes that occurred to the Charity Gaming Laws during the last legislative session. These changes occurred in House Enrolled Act 1286 and Senate Enrolled Act 414, and will take affect on July 1, 2009 (unless otherwise noted). Please call 317-232-4646 if you need further clarification.

- Pull Tab, Punchboard, Tip Board winners must provide their name, signature, and date of birth for prizes awarded of \$250.00 or more (replacing the over \$50.00 or more requirement). The organization must verify the identity of the winner using any means the organization considers necessary.
- Operators may now work for up to three (3) organizations during a calendar month (replacing the one (1) per calendar month restriction). The operators must meet the membership requirements for each organization.
- A festival worker may now participate as a player in any gaming activity at the festival; provided that the worker does not participate in the game during the time the worker is conducting the game. **Exception:** a festival worker conducting a Pull Tab, Punchboard or Tip Board game may not participate as a player in the game on the same calendar day
- An organization must obtain licensed supplies from a licensed distributor; however, this requirement does not apply to reusable licensed supplies, which were (1) constructed, purchased or obtained by an organization **before January 1, 2009**; or (2) that is borrowed at any time from another qualified organization. The documentation showing that you were in possession of the equipment may be done by providing the following:
 1. A copy of the original receipt showing purchase from a licensed distributor, licensed by the Indiana Gaming Commission.
 2. A copy of the owned equipment letter from the Indiana Gaming Commission; or
 3. A copy of the grandfathered equipment letter from the Indiana Gaming Comission.

- Annual Charity Game Night Licenses: This license is now only available to organizations that are bona fide veterans or bona fide fraternal organizations (replacing bona fide civic organizations). A facility used to conduct a Charity Game Night event may only be used to conduct three (3) charity game night events on three (3) calendar days a week, and only two (2) may be consecutive. Charity Game night events may not be conducted past 11:59PM.
- Pull Tab, Punchboard and Tip Board License now allows two types of raffles: the winner take all drawing and a qualified drawing. These drawings must be conducted in the following manner:
 - The organization must collect the name, address and phone number of all the participants of the drawing.
 - The organization must have rules regarding the drawings when no winning ticket was drawn, as well as the period of time an organization will hold a prize for a winning patron who was not present at the time of the drawing (at least 72 hours).
 - If no winning ticket is drawn an organization may either carry over the prize to a later drawing or continue to draw until a winner is determined.
 - If the organization carries over the prize then it is subject to the following:
 - An unclaimed prize from a daily drawing must be carried over to the next daily drawing; an unclaimed prize from a weekly drawing must be carried over to the next weekly drawing. A monthly drawing may not be carried over; the organization must draw until they have a winner.
 - A daily drawing may be carried over up to 14 times; on the 14th day the organization must draw until they have a winner.
 - A weekly drawing may be carried over 1 time. Then the organization must draw until they have a winner.
 - If an unclaimed prize is carried over, the regularly scheduled drawing on that date may not be conducted. For example if you carry over the daily drawing to the next day you may only conduct that drawing for the day, not 2 daily drawings, but you may continue to accept additional entries for the drawings to be held on that day as long as you do not exceed the \$300.00 limit.
 - If a patron who purchased a winning ticket is not present at the time of the drawing, then the organization must hold the prize in accordance with its own rules. The organization must immediately contact the winning patron by phone and indicate how long the patron has to claim the prize (cannot be less than 72 hours). The winner must appear at the premises of the organization in a timely manner and collect the prize in person. The organization must verify the winner's identity. The organization may continue to conduct the daily, weekly and monthly drawings during the time they are holding a prize for a winner that was not present at the time of the drawing.

- If an organization reorganizes and operates under a new name and new tax ID number, it will still be considered qualified if it can demonstrate that it is continuing its mission. Evidence of continuing its mission includes continued use of a trademark or service logo, continuity of the organization's activities, or any other information considered sufficient by the commission.
- Makes drivers' license numbers and other identifying information of an operator or a worker that is submitted on an application, confidential.

If you need any further information or explanation concerning these changes or questions in general please call 317-232-4646 and any of our coordinators will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely:



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