

1 AN ACT concerning the lottery.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 10. The Illinois Lottery Law is amended by changing
5 Sections 7.12 and 7.15 and adding Section 14.4 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 1605/7.12)

7 Sec. 7.12. Internet pilot program.

8 (a) The General Assembly finds that:

9 (1) the consumer market in Illinois has changed since
10 the creation of the Illinois State Lottery in 1974;

11 (2) the Internet has become an integral part of
12 everyday life for a significant number of Illinois
13 residents not only in regards to their professional life,
14 but also in regards to personal business and communication;
15 and

16 (3) the current practices of selling lottery tickets
17 does not appeal to the new form of market participants who
18 prefer to make purchases on the internet at their own
19 convenience.

20 It is the intent of the General Assembly to create an
21 Internet pilot program for the sale of lottery tickets to
22 capture this new form of market participant.

23 (b) The Department shall create a pilot program that allows

1 an individual 18 years of age or older to purchase lottery
2 tickets or shares on the Internet without using a Lottery
3 retailer with on-line status, as those terms are defined by
4 rule. The Department shall restrict the sale of lottery tickets
5 on the Internet to transactions initiated and received or
6 otherwise made exclusively within the State of Illinois. The
7 Department shall adopt rules, including emergency rules,
8 necessary for the administration of this program. These rules
9 shall include, among other things, requirements for marketing
10 of the Lottery to infrequent players, as well as limitations on
11 the purchases that may be made through any one individual's
12 lottery account. The provisions of this Act and the rules
13 adopted under this Act shall apply to the sale of lottery
14 tickets or shares under this program.

15 Before beginning the pilot program, the Department of the
16 Lottery must submit a request to the United States Department
17 of Justice for review of the State's plan to implement a pilot
18 program for the sale of lottery tickets on the Internet and its
19 propriety under federal law. The Department shall implement the
20 Internet pilot program only if the Department of Justice does
21 not object to the implementation of the program within a
22 reasonable period of time after its review.

23 The Department is obligated to implement the pilot program
24 set forth in this Section and Sections 7.15 and 7.16 only at
25 such time, and to such extent, that the Department of Justice
26 does not object to the implementation of the program within a

1 reasonable period of time after its review. While the Illinois
2 Lottery may only offer Lotto, ~~and~~ Mega Millions, and Powerball
3 games through the pilot program, the Department shall request
4 review from the federal Department of Justice for the Illinois
5 Lottery to sell lottery tickets on the Internet on behalf of
6 the State of Illinois that are not limited to just these games.

7 The Department shall authorize the private manager to
8 implement and administer the program pursuant to the management
9 agreement entered into under Section 9.1 and in a manner
10 consistent with the provisions of this Section. If a private
11 manager has not been selected pursuant to Section 9.1 at the
12 time the Department is obligated to implement the pilot
13 program, then the Department shall not proceed with the pilot
14 program until after the selection of the private manager, at
15 which time the Department shall authorize the private manager
16 to implement and administer the program pursuant to the
17 management agreement entered into under Section 9.1 and in a
18 manner consistent with the provisions of this Section.

19 The pilot program shall last for not less than 36 months,
20 but not more than 48 months from the date of its initial
21 operation.

22 Nothing in this Section shall be construed as prohibiting
23 the Department from implementing and operating a website portal
24 whereby individuals who are 18 years of age or older with an
25 Illinois mailing address may apply to purchase lottery tickets
26 via subscription. Nothing in this Section shall also be

1 construed as prohibiting the sale of Lotto, Mega Millions, and
2 Powerball games by a lottery licensee pursuant to the
3 Department's rules.

4 (c) There is created the Internet Lottery Study Committee
5 as an advisory body within the Department. The Department shall
6 conduct a study to determine the impact of the Internet pilot
7 program on lottery licensees. The Department shall also
8 determine the feasibility of the sale of stored value cards by
9 lottery licensees as a non-exclusive option for use by
10 individuals 18 years of age or older who purchase tickets for
11 authorized lottery games in the Internet pilot program. For the
12 purposes of this study, it is anticipated that the stored value
13 cards will have, but need not be limited to, the following
14 characteristics: (1) the cards will be available only to
15 individuals 18 years of age and older; (2) the cards will be
16 rechargeable, closed-loop cards that can only be loaded with
17 cash; (3) the cards will have unique identifying numbers to be
18 used for on-line play; (4) the cards will have on-line play
19 subtracted from the card's value; (5) the cards may have
20 on-line winnings added to them; (6) the cards will be used at
21 Lottery retailers to cash out winnings of up to \$600; and (7)
22 the cards will meet all technological, programming, and
23 security requirements mandated by the Department and the
24 governing bodies of both Mega Millions and Powerball.

25 To the fullest extent possible, but subject to available
26 resources, the Department shall ensure that the study evaluates

1 and analyzes at least the following issues:

2 (1) economic benefits to the State from Internet
3 Lottery sales from stored value cards and from resulting
4 sales taxes;

5 (2) economic benefits to local governments from sales
6 taxes generated from Internet Lottery sales through stored
7 value cards;

8 (3) economic benefits to Lottery retailers from
9 Internet Lottery sales and from ancillary retail product
10 sales in connection with the same;

11 (4) enhanced player age verification from face-to-face
12 interaction;

13 (5) enhanced control of gambling addiction from
14 face-to-face interaction;

15 (6) elimination of credit card overspending through
16 the use of stored value cards and resulting reduced debt
17 issues;

18 (7) the feasibility of the utilization of existing
19 Lottery machines to dispense stored value cards;

20 (8) the technological, programming, and security
21 requirements to make stored value cards an appropriate
22 sales alternative; and

23 (9) the cost and project time estimates for
24 implementation, including adaptation of existing Lottery
25 machines, programming, and technology enhancements and
26 impact to operations.

1 The Study Committee shall consist of the Superintendent or
2 his or her designee; the chief executive officer of the
3 Lottery's private manager or his or her designee; a
4 representative appointed by the Governor's Office; 2
5 representatives of the lottery licensee community appointed by
6 the Superintendent; one representative of a statewide
7 association representing food retailers appointed by the
8 Superintendent; and one representative of a statewide
9 association representing retail merchants appointed by the
10 Superintendent.

11 Members of the Study Committee shall be appointed within 30
12 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the
13 97th General Assembly. No later than 6 months after the
14 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General
15 Assembly, the Department shall provide to the members of the
16 Study Committee the proposed findings and recommendations of
17 the study in order to solicit input from the Study Committee.
18 Within 30 calendar days thereafter, the Study Committee shall
19 convene a meeting of the members to discuss the proposed
20 findings and recommendations of the study. No later than 15
21 calendar days after meeting, the Study Committee shall submit
22 to the Department any written changes, additions, or
23 corrections the Study Committee wishes the Department to make
24 to the study. The Department shall consider the propriety of
25 and respond to each change, addition, or correction offered by
26 the Study Committee in the study. The Department shall also set

1 forth any such change, addition, or correction offered by
2 members of the Study Committee and the Department's responses
3 thereto in the appendix to the study. No later than 15 calendar
4 days after receiving the changes, additions, or corrections
5 offered by the Study Committee, the Department shall deliver
6 copies of the final study and appendices, if any, to the
7 Governor, President of the Senate, Minority Leader of the
8 Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Minority
9 Leader of the House of Representatives, and each of the members
10 of the Study Committee.

11 (Source: P.A. 96-34, eff. 7-13-09; 96-37, eff. 7-13-09; 96-840,
12 eff. 12-23-09; 97-464, eff. 10-15-11.)

13 (20 ILCS 1605/7.15)

14 Sec. 7.15. Verification for Internet program; security for
15 Internet lottery accounts. The Department must establish a
16 procedure to verify that an individual is 18 years of age or
17 older and that the sale of lottery tickets on the Internet is
18 limited to transactions that are initiated and received or
19 otherwise made exclusively within the State of Illinois, unless
20 the federal Department of Justice indicates that it is legal
21 for the transactions to originate in states other than
22 Illinois. An individual must satisfy the verification
23 procedure before he or she may establish one Internet lottery
24 account and purchase lottery tickets or shares through the
25 Internet pilot program. By rule, including by emergency rule,

1 the Department shall establish funding procedures for Internet
2 lottery accounts and shall provide a mechanism to prevent the
3 unauthorized use of Internet lottery accounts. If any
4 participant in the pilot program violates any provisions of
5 this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly or rule
6 established by the Department, the participant's winnings
7 shall be forfeited. Such forfeited winnings shall be deposited
8 in the Common School Fund.

9 (Source: P.A. 96-34, eff. 7-13-09; 96-840, eff. 12-23-09.)

10 (20 ILCS 1605/14.4 new)

11 Sec. 14.4. Investigators.

12 (a) The Department has the power to appoint investigators
13 to conduct investigations, searches, seizures, arrests, and
14 other duties required to enforce the provisions of this Act and
15 prevent the perpetration of fraud upon the Department or the
16 public. These investigators have and may exercise all the
17 powers of peace officers solely for the purpose of ensuring the
18 integrity of the lottery games operated by the Department.

19 (b) The Superintendent must authorize to each investigator
20 employed under this Section and to any other employee of the
21 Department exercising the powers of a peace officer a distinct
22 badge that, on its face, (i) clearly states that the badge is
23 authorized by the Department and (ii) contains a unique
24 identifying number. No other badge shall be authorized by the
25 Department.

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.