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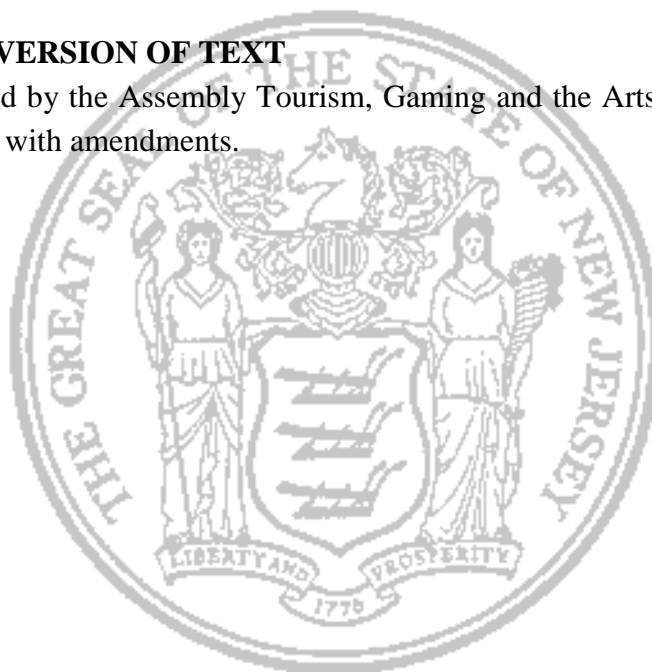
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SYNOPSIS

Permits conduct of Queen of Hearts raffle games.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Tourism, Gaming and the Arts Committee on June 5, 2023, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/20/2023)

1 AN ACT concerning the types of raffle games permitted to be
2 conducted by licensed organizations in this State and
3 supplementing the “Raffles Licensing Law,” P.L.1954, c.5
4 (C.5:8-50 et seq.).

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6 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
7 of New Jersey:

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9 1. a. The Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission
10 shall adopt regulations, pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure
11 Act,” P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), authorizing licensees to
12 hold and conduct Queen of Hearts raffle games. The control
13 commission may specify any requirement applicable to the conduct
14 of Queen of Hearts raffle games that the control commission may
15 deem necessary in accordance with this section.

16 b. A “Queen of Hearts raffle” means a raffle game utilizing a
17 Queen of Hearts raffle board onto which 54 playing cards can be
18 placed facedown, side-by-side, and held securely by a locking,
19 transparent cover, which playing cards shall be thoroughly shuffled
20 and from which the participant holding the winning raffle ticket
21 drawn at random from a raffle ticket drum or receptacle shall be
22 entitled to “Search for the Queen of Hearts” by selecting one of the
23 facedown playing cards.

24 When the playing card selected is not the Queen of Hearts, the
25 card shall be placed out of play, and the holder of the winning raffle
26 ticket selecting that card shall be immediately awarded a cash prize
27 valued according to the schedule set forth in regulation by the
28 Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission. The raffle
29 drawings shall be conducted weekly until a person selects the
30 Queen of Hearts. When the playing card selected is the Queen of
31 Hearts, the holder of the winning raffle ticket selecting that card
32 shall be awarded 50 percent of the prize, with the remainder of the
33 prize retained by the licensee as proceeds from conducting the
34 raffle.

35 ¹**[c. The licensee may use the net proceeds derived from the**
36 **conduct of Queen of Hearts raffle games in any manner allowable**
37 **by law and in accordance with State regulations.]¹**

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39 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly ATG committee amendments adopted June 5, 2023.