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Present law provides for definitions relative to the licensing of certain organizations to conduct charitable raffles, bingo, and keno.

Proposed law adds the definition of "nonprofit healthcare organization" to mean any organization that provides healthcare services, together with their parent organizations, affiliates, subsidiaries and foundations, that is licensed or chartered in this state and is exempt from federal and state taxation pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code and applicable provisions of Louisiana law.

Proposed law provides that a nonprofit healthcare organization not be required to obtain a license in order to hold, operate or conduct a game of chance as defined in present law, but the organization conducting such game of chance is required to annually notify the office of charitable gaming of the names of such organizations.

Proposed law provides that the nonprofit healthcare organization not be required to obtain any license as described in present law, from a governing authority of any municipality or parish.

Effective August 1, 2026

(Amends R.S. 4:707(E)(5), (6), (7), (8) and (9); adds R.S. 4:707(E)(10) and (H)(5))