The original instrument was prepared by James Benton. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Cathy R. Wells.

## DIGEST 2020 Regular Session

Jackson

SB 300 Reengrossed

<u>Present law</u> provides that no licensee will hold, operate, or conduct any game of chance under present law more often than on 20 days in any one calendar month.

Proposed law removes this provision.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a "session" represents authorized games of chance played within a time limit not to exceed six consecutive hours, with a minimum of 12 hours between sessions. A session of keno or bingo when the licensee possesses a special license is limited to six consecutive hours. Sessions are limited to not more than one session per calendar day per licensee.

<u>Proposed law retains present law</u> but changes the time limit <u>from six to eight consecutive hours.</u>

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes electronic video bingo machines to be available in any location licensed for charitable bingo and played in the following manner:

- (1) At commercial locations the machines may be played only during the times when an organization is licensed with a minimum of one member present on the premises. Time shall not exceed an eight hour period of time per charity when a game is not being called.
- (2) At noncommercial locations the machines may be played by the general public when call bingo is played.
- (3) At noncommercial locations the machines may also be played by the membership of the organization and the general public at times other than called bingo, not to exceed the total number of sessions for bingo authorized by the local jurisdiction.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a violation of the aforementioned provisions will result in a civil violation and fine, and possible revocation of license.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 4:714 and 740(A); adds R.S. 4:724.1)

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the original bill

- 1. Removes provisions relative to lease of premises.
- 2. Adds provisions relative to time, location, and duration of play for electronic video bingo machines.

## Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Restricts time to not more than an eight hour period of time per charity when a game is not being called at commercial locations.