



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5546

LCO No. 2525



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

AN ACT CONCERNING CHARITABLE GAMES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 7-183 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

3 Each such report [shall] may be examined by the Commissioner of
4 Consumer Protection and shall be compared with the original
5 application. The commissioner may refer any violation of sections 7-
6 170 to 7-185, inclusive, or administrative regulations issued pursuant
7 thereto found therein to the office of the state's attorney having
8 jurisdiction over the municipality in which the sponsoring
9 organization is located and, if the bazaar or raffle was located in a
10 different municipality than the municipality in which the sponsoring
11 organization is located, to the office of the state's attorney having
12 jurisdiction over the municipality in which the bazaar or raffle was
13 located. Such state's attorney office shall investigate and take such
14 action as the facts require.

15 Sec. 2. Section 7-175 of the general statutes is repealed and the

16 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

17 Permits under the provisions of sections 7-170 to 7-186, inclusive,
18 shall be of seven kinds. "Class No. 1" permits shall allow the operation
19 of a raffle which shall be consummated within three months of the
20 granting of the permit and the aggregate value of the prize or prizes
21 offered shall be not more than fifteen thousand dollars. "Class No. 2"
22 permits shall allow the operation of a raffle which shall be
23 consummated within two months of the granting of the permit and the
24 aggregate value of the prize or prizes offered shall be not more than
25 two thousand dollars. "Class No. 3" permits shall [permit] allow the
26 operation of a bazaar for a period of not more than ten consecutive
27 days, excluding legal holidays and holy days on which the bazaar is
28 not functioning. Any bazaar held under the authority of any such
29 permit shall be held within six months of the granting of such permit.
30 "Class No. 4" permits shall allow the operation of a raffle which shall
31 be consummated within one month of the granting of the permit and
32 the aggregate value of the prize or prizes offered shall be not more
33 than one hundred dollars. "Class No. 5" permits shall allow the
34 operation of a raffle which shall be consummated within nine months
35 of the granting of the permit and the aggregate value of the prize or
36 prizes offered shall be not more than fifty thousand dollars. "Class
37 No. 6" permits shall allow the operation of a raffle which shall be
38 consummated within one year of the granting of the permit and the
39 aggregate value of the prize or prizes offered shall be not more than
40 one hundred thousand dollars. "Class No. 7" permits shall allow the
41 operation of a raffle which shall be consummated within fifteen
42 months of the granting of the permit, shall allow no more than twelve
43 prize drawings on separate dates and the aggregate value of the prize
44 or prizes offered shall be not more than fifty thousand dollars. "Class
45 No. 8" permits shall allow the operation of an unlimited number of
46 single-day bazaars held during special events, including, but not
47 limited to, athletic events, conducted by the permittee. Any special
48 event bazaar held under the authority of such permit shall be held

49 within one year of the granting of such permit. No more than one
50 "Class No. 1" permit, three "Class No. 2" permits, two "Class No. 3"
51 permits, one "Class No. 4" permit, five "Class No. 5" permits, five
52 "Class No. 6" permits, or [three "Class No. 2" permits] one "Class No. 8"
53 permit shall be issued to any qualifying organization within any one
54 calendar year. The aggregate value of prizes offered under any of such
55 permits shall represent the amount paid by the applicant for the prize
56 or prizes or the retail value of the same if donated.

57 Sec. 3. Section 7-176 of the 2016 supplement to the general statutes is
58 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
59 *October 1, 2016*):

60 The fees to be charged for permits shall be as follows: A "Class No.
61 1" permit, fifty dollars, twenty-five dollars to be retained by the state at
62 the time application for the permit is made and twenty-five dollars
63 remitted to the municipality upon issuance of the permit; a "Class No.
64 2" permit, twenty dollars, ten dollars to be retained by the state at the
65 time application for the permit is made and ten dollars to be remitted
66 to the municipality upon issuance of the permit; a "Class No. 3" permit,
67 twenty dollars for each day of the bazaar, ten dollars to be retained by
68 the state at the time application for the permit is made and ten dollars
69 to be remitted to the municipality upon issuance of the permit; a "Class
70 No. 4" permit, five dollars, to be remitted to the municipality; a "Class
71 No. 5" permit, eighty dollars, forty dollars to be retained by the state at
72 the time application for the permit is made and forty dollars remitted
73 to the municipality upon issuance of the permit; a "Class No. 6" permit,
74 one hundred dollars, fifty dollars to be retained by the state at the time
75 application for the permit is made and fifty dollars remitted to the
76 municipality upon issuance of the permit; [and] a "Class No. 7" permit,
77 one hundred dollars to be retained by the state; and a "Class No. 8"
78 permit, thirty dollars, fifteen dollars to be retained by the state at the
79 time application for the permit is made and fifteen dollars to be
80 remitted to the municipality upon issuance of the permit.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	7-183
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	7-175
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	7-176

Statement of Purpose:

To (1) provide the Department of Consumer Protection with discretion in examining reports filed by organizations that hold bazaars and raffles, and (2) allow the operation of an unlimited number of single-day bazaars held during special events pursuant to a "Class No. 8" permit.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]