

By Representative Ritter

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the state lottery; amending
3 s. 24.115, F.S.; providing for unclaimed
4 lottery prize money to be used to enhance
5 educational programs for public school students
6 in kindergarten through grade 12; providing for
7 moneys to be distributed proportionally among
8 public schools according to the number of
9 students; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 24.115, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, is amended to read:

24.115 Payment of prizes.--

(2) All unclaimed prize money shall be distributed to the public schools and used, at the principal's discretion, in consultation with faculty and parent-advisory organizations, to provide additional materials, equipment, or services to enhance the educational programs offered to students in kindergarten through grade 12 ~~added to the pool from which future prizes are to be awarded or used for special prize promotions.~~ Unclaimed prize money shall be distributed proportionally among the public schools according to the number of students in kindergarten through grade 12.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1997.

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HOUSE SUMMARY

Provides for unclaimed lottery prize money to be distributed to public schools and used, at the principal's discretion, to enhance educational programs in kindergarten through grade 12. Provides for the moneys to be distributed proportionally among the public schools according to the number of students. Deletes provisions that provide for unclaimed prize money to be used for future lottery prizes or special prize promotions.