

By the Committee on Regulated Industries and Senators King,  
Silver, Brown-Waite and Forman

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to bingo; creating the Bingo  
3           Study Commission; providing for a report;  
4           providing an effective date.

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

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8           Section 1. There is created the Bingo Study Commission  
9 consisting of nine members.

10           Section 2. Five members shall be appointed by the  
11 Governor. Two members shall be appointed by the President of  
12 the Senate and two shall be appointed by the Speaker of the  
13 House of Representatives. In each case, the presiding officer  
14 shall appoint one member of the majority party and one member  
15 of the minority party.

16           Section 3. The Bingo Study Commission shall report to  
17 the Governor and the presiding officers of the Legislature by  
18 February 1, 2001. The report must make recommendations  
19 regarding the following issues:

20                   (1) Specific procedures for conducting games;

21                   (2) Who may conduct or assist with the conducting of  
22 bingo games;

23                   (3) Where or under what property arrangement bingo may  
24 be conducted and how often bingo may be conducted at any one  
25 location;

26                   (4) The lack of accountability for the use of the  
27 money collected from bingo operations;

28                   (5) The lack of uniform control or enforcement; and

29                   (6) The lack of a single official or agency specified  
30 to act as the final authority in bingo-related disputes.

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1           Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
2 law.

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4                   STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
5                   COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
6                   Senate Bill 1704

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7 The Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1704 creates a bingo  
8 study commission consisting of nine members. It provides for  
9 an appointment process and requires a report to the  
10 Legislature by February 1, 2001.

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