

By Representative Machek

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to recreational activities at  
3           facilities for elderly or disabled adults;  
4           authorizing bingo games for residents or  
5           clients of certain facilities for the elderly  
6           or disabled and their guests; providing  
7           conditions; providing for use of proceeds;  
8           providing exemption from local regulation and  
9           fees; providing an effective date.

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

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13           Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section  
14 849.0931, Florida Statutes, bingo games for residents or  
15 clients of a facility licensed or authorized under part II,  
16 part III, part V, or part XI of chapter 400, Florida Statutes,  
17 chapter 651, Florida Statutes, or section 430.206, Florida  
18 Statutes, and their guests, or for residents of  
19 government-financed or government-insured housing for the  
20 elderly and their guests may be conducted if such games are  
21 held in the facility, played exclusively by residents or  
22 clients and their guests, and conducted by residents, staff,  
23 or volunteers of the facility, and if neither the facility nor  
24 any third party derives financial benefit from such games.  
25 Prizes may be claimed only by residents or clients of these  
26 facilities or by guests who are residents or clients of other  
27 similarly licensed or authorized facilities. Any net proceeds  
28 remaining after paying prizes may be donated by residents or  
29 clients who organize the games to projects or activities of  
30 their choice. Any county or municipality that regulates the

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1 playing of bingo must exempt bingo games conducted pursuant to  
2 this section from regulation and fees.

3 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

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6 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

7 Authorizes bingo games at nursing homes, assisted living  
8 facilities, adult day care centers, intermediate care  
9 facilities for the developmentally disabled, multiservice  
10 senior centers, and certain government-financed or  
11 government-insured housing for residents or clients and  
their guests under certain conditions. Provides for  
claiming prizes and donation of proceeds. Exempts such  
games from county and municipal regulation and fees.

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