

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs; and Senator Sebesta

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to recreational activities at facilities for elderly or disabled adults; authorizing bingo games for residents or clients of certain facilities for the elderly or disabled, and their guests; providing conditions; providing for use of proceeds; providing exemption from local regulation and fees; providing an effective date.

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

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

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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5 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
6 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
7 SB 566

8 The CS differs from the bill as filed in that it specifies
9 that prizes from bingo games authorized by this bill may only
10 be claimed by residents or clients of these facilities, or by
11 guests who are residents or clients of other similarly
12 licensed or authorized facilities.
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