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

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

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 12 Section 1. Notwithstanding section 849.0931, Florida
 13 Statutes, bingo games for residents or clients of facilities
 14 licensed or authorized under part II, part III, or part V of
 15 chapter 400, Florida Statutes, chapter 651, Florida Statutes, or
 16 section 430.206, Florida Statutes, and for their guests, or for
 17 residents of government-financed, government-insured, or
 18 government-subsidized housing for the elderly and their guests,
 19 may be conducted if such games are held in the facility, played
 20 exclusively by residents or clients and their guests, and
 21 conducted by residents, staff, or volunteers of the facility,
 22 and if neither the facility nor any third party derives
 23 financial benefit from such games. Games conducted in a facility
 24 licensed under part II, part III, or part V of chapter 400,
 25 Florida Statutes, for residents or clients with a diagnosis of
 26 Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia may not be played with
 27 the personal funds of residents or clients and must be
 28 supervised by paid or volunteer staff. Prizes may be claimed
 29 only by residents or clients of these facilities or by guests

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30 who are residents or clients of other similarly licensed or
31 authorized facilities. Net proceeds must be returned to players
32 in the form of prizes after expenses for refreshments and bingo
33 supplies are deducted. Any county or municipality that regulates
34 the playing of bingo shall exempt bingo games conducted pursuant
35 to this section from regulation and fees.

36 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.