

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to bingo games; amending s.
3 849.0931, F.S.; authorizing the use of
4 electronics or other technology in lieu of
5 vocal verification for bingo games; providing
6 an effective date.

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

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10 Section 1. Paragraph (g) of subsection (12) of section
11 849.0931, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

12 849.0931 Bingo authorized; conditions for conduct;
13 permitted uses of proceeds; limitations.--

14 (12) Each bingo game shall be conducted in accordance
15 with the following rules:

16 (g) Numbers on the winning cards or sheets shall be
17 announced and verified in the presence of another player. Any
18 player shall be entitled at the time the winner is determined
19 to call for a verification of numbers drawn. The verification
20 shall be in the presence of the member designated to be in
21 charge of the occasion or, if such person is also the caller,
22 in the presence of an officer of the licensee. Verification
23 may also be provided through the use of electronic or other
24 commercially available technology in lieu of vocal
25 verification. Verification by other than vocal means must be
26 confined to the premises at which the bingo session is held
27 and may not be transmitted to any other location.

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