

By Senator Galvano

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to bingo; amending s. 849.0931, F.S.;  
3           specifying that ch. 849, F.S., does not prohibit  
4           certain park or recreation districts from conducting  
5           bingo; authorizing bingo to be held on the premises of  
6           certain park or recreation districts; providing an  
7           effective date.

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

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11           Section 1. Subsection (4) and paragraph (e) of subsection  
12           (11) of section 849.0931, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:  
13           849.0931 Bingo authorized; conditions for conduct;  
14           permitted uses of proceeds; limitations.—

15           (4) This chapter does not prohibit ~~The right of a~~  
16           condominium association, a cooperative association, a  
17           homeowners' association as defined in s. 720.301, a mobile home  
18           owners' association, a group of residents of a mobile home park  
19           as defined in chapter 723, a park or recreation district that is  
20           an independent special district as defined in s. 189.403, a  
21           recreation district as defined in chapter 418, or a group of  
22           residents of a mobile home park or recreational vehicle park as  
23           defined in chapter 513 from conducting ~~to conduct~~ bingo if it  
24           ~~is~~ conditioned upon the return of the net proceeds from such games  
25           are returned to players in the form of prizes after the  
26           deduction of ~~having deducted~~ the actual business expenses for  
27           such games for articles designed for and essential to the  
28           operation, conduct, and playing of bingo. Any net proceeds  
29           remaining after paying prizes may be donated by the association

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30 to a charitable, nonprofit, or veterans' organization which is  
31 exempt from federal income tax under the provisions of s. 501(c)  
32 of the Internal Revenue Code to be used in such recipient  
33 organization's charitable, civic, community, benevolent,  
34 religious, or scholastic works or similar activities or, in the  
35 alternative, such remaining proceeds shall be used as specified  
36 in subsection (3).

37 (11) Bingo games or instant bingo may be held only on the  
38 following premises:

39 (e) With respect to bingo games conducted by a condominium  
40 association, a cooperative association, a homeowners'  
41 association as defined in s. 720.301, a mobile home owners'  
42 association, a group of residents of a mobile home park as  
43 defined in chapter 723, a park or recreation district that is an  
44 independent special district as defined in s. 189.403, a  
45 recreation district as defined in chapter 418, or a group of  
46 residents of a mobile home park or recreational vehicle park as  
47 defined in chapter 513, property owned by the association,  
48 property owned by the residents of the mobile home park or  
49 recreational vehicle park, or property which is a common area  
50 located within the condominium, mobile home park, or  
51 recreational vehicle park, property owned by a park or  
52 recreation district that is an independent special district as  
53 defined in s. 189.403, or property owned by a recreation  
54 district as defined in chapter 418.

55 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.