

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to fantasy contests and fantasy
 3 contest operators; providing definitions; providing
 4 that fantasy contests and fantasy contest operators
 5 are not subject to regulation by the Department of
 6 Business and Professional Regulation; providing that
 7 such contests conducted by such operators are exempt
 8 from specified provisions related to gambling;
 9 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. Fantasy contests and fantasy contest
 14 operators.-

15 (1) DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section, the term:

16 (a) "Fantasy contest" includes any fantasy or simulated
 17 game or contest, in which:

18 1. The sponsor of the game or contest is not a participant
 19 in the game or contest;

20 2. The value of all prizes and awards offered to winning
 21 participants are established and made known to the participants
 22 in advance of the contest;

23 3. All winning outcomes reflect the relative knowledge and
 24 skill of the participants and shall be determined predominantly
 25 by accumulated statistical results of the performance of

26 | individuals, including athletes in the case of sports events;
 27 | and

28 | 4. No winning outcome is based on the score, point spread,
 29 | or any performance or performances of any single actual team or
 30 | combination of such teams or solely on any single performance of
 31 | an individual athlete or player in any single actual event.

32 | (b) "Fantasy contest operator" means a person or entity
 33 | that offers fantasy contests for a cash prize or award.

34 | (2) EXEMPTION.—A fantasy contest conducted by a fantasy
 35 | contest operator is not subject to regulation by the Department
 36 | of Business and Professional Regulation and is not subject to s.
 37 | 849.01, s. 849.08, s. 849.09, s. 849.11, s. 849.14, or s.
 38 | 849.25.

39 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.