

1 **SHB 1260** - H AMD

2 By Representative Wood

3 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
4 following:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9.46 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 A bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization may conduct
8 recreational gambling events for purposes of raising funds in the form
9 of donations made by individuals attending the event. The following
10 restrictions apply to recreational gambling events:

11 (1) Only gambling activities authorized by RCW 9.46.0233 may be
12 conducted.

13 (2) Equipment used must not include any gambling equipment
14 otherwise prohibited by this title and must be rented or otherwise
15 obtained from persons licensed by the commission.

16 (3) The sponsoring organization may require a donation of up to
17 five hundred dollars per person for the opportunity to participate in
18 the event. Participants may make additional donations of up to two
19 hundred dollars and obtain additional scrip or chips during the event.
20 If prizes are awarded or if meals, entertainment, or other items of
21 value are provided in conjunction with the event, their value must be
22 identified to persons making donations to participate.

23 (4) All wagers must be made with scrip or chips with no value. At
24 the end of the event, participants may be given the opportunity to
25 purchase or otherwise redeem their scrip or chips for merchandise
26 prizes. All merchandise prizes must be donated to or provided by the
27 sponsoring organization. The value of all purchased prizes must not
28 exceed ten percent of the gross revenue from the event.

29 (5) Only members and guests of the sponsoring organization may
30 participate in the event.

31 (6) Except as provided in subsection (7) of this section, no
32 person other than a member or employee of the sponsoring organization
33 may take any part in the management or operation of the event.

34 (7) A person who has been licensed by the commission may organize
35 and conduct a recreational gambling event on behalf of the sponsoring
36 organization, but may not provide the facility for the event. These

1 persons may use paid personnel and may be compensated by a fixed fee,
2 but shall not share in the proceeds of the event.

3 (8) The gambling activity is limited to eight hours in any twenty-
4 four-hour period. No sponsoring organization may conduct more than two
5 events under this section in a twelve-month period. If an organization
6 conducts fund-raising events under RCW 9.46.0233, the organization is
7 limited to no more than two events in a twelve-month period which may
8 be: (a) Two events under this section or two events under RCW
9 9.46.0233, or (b) a combination of one event under this section and one
10 event under RCW 9.46.0233.

11 (9) The commission shall adopt rules governing the operation of
12 recreational gambling events and the licensing of persons who may
13 organize and conduct the events on behalf of charitable and nonprofit
14 organizations.-

EFFECT: Clarifies that a charitable or nonprofit organization
conducting recreational gambling events or fund-raising events,
may only conduct a total of 2 events per year in one of the
following combinations: (1) either 2 recreational gambling events
or 2 fund-raising events, or (2) 1 recreational gambling and 1
fund-raising event.