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Sponsor(s): Senators Prentice, Deccio, Gardner, Hewitt, Shin, T. Sheldon and Rasmussen

Brief Description: Providing consistency in gaming.

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Declares that within the regulatory framework established in this chapter and under the Indian gaming regulatory act of 1988, Titles 18 and 25 U.S.C., the gambling opportunities for eligible nonprofit, fraternal, and for-profit operators shall be uniform and consistent. The eligible fraternal, bona fide charitable and nonprofit, and for-profit operators shall have an equal and uniform opportunity to engage in all lawful aspects of gambling in order to be able to compete in a fair and timely manner for the amusement and entertainment of the public.

Declares that in authorizing systems of linked electronic bingo terminals, games played on such systems shall only include bingo games with electronic facsimiles of bingo displayed on the screen and with all players on the system competing against each other to match the numbers of symbols drawn in the game.

Directs the department of revenue to adopt rules for the collection of taxes generated from electronic pull-tab sales. The tax shall be set at ten percent of the net win from the sales of electronic pull-tabs. All proceeds from taxes collected under this act shall be deposited in an account in the custody of the state treasurer. This custodial account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures. Five percent of the proceeds from taxes collected under this section shall be allocated for problem gaming prevention, youth education, public awareness, training, helpline services, and to the division of alcohol and substance abuse in the department of social and health services, for treatment.

Authorizes the legislative authority of any county, city-county, city, or town, by local law and ordinance, and in accordance with this chapter and rules adopted under it, to provide for the collection of taxes generated from electronic pull-tab sales. The tax shall be set at up to five percent of the net win from the sales of electronic pull-tabs.