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HOUSE BILL 3134

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By Representatives Lias, Williams, Van De Wege, and Simpson

1            AN ACT Relating to regulating sports pool boards, bracket pools,  
2 and fantasy sports leagues; and amending RCW 9.46.0335.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.46.0335 and 1987 c 4 s 31 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            ~~((The legislature hereby authorizes))~~ (1) Any person, association,  
7 or organization ((to)) may conduct sports pool boards, bracket pools,  
8 and fantasy sports leagues without a license to do so from the  
9 commission but only when the outcome of which is dependent upon the  
10 score, or scores, of a certain athletic contest or upon the outcome of  
11 a contest or event not within the control of those engaged in the  
12 sports pool board, bracket pool, or fantasy sports league and which is  
13 conducted ~~((only))~~ in the following manner:

14            ~~((1))~~ (a) All money paid by entrants to enter the pool less taxes  
15 is paid out as the prize or prizes to those persons having the winning  
16 score or scores from the subject athletic contest or other outcome upon  
17 which the pool or sports league is based; and

18            (b) The sports pool board, bracket pool, or fantasy sports league

1 records are available for inspection by any person participating, the  
2 commission, or by any law enforcement agency upon demand at all times  
3 before prize payment; and

4 (c) The person or organization conducting the sports pool board,  
5 bracket pool, or fantasy sports league is conducting no other similar  
6 activity on the same event; and

7 (d) The sports pool board, bracket pool, or fantasy sports league  
8 conforms to the requirements of this chapter and any rules adopted  
9 under this chapter; and

10 (e) The total amount of wagers placed by all entrants in the sports  
11 pool board, bracket pool, or fantasy sports league does not exceed one  
12 hundred dollars.

13 (2) In addition to the requirements of subsection (1) of this  
14 section, sports pool boards must comply with the following:

15 (a) A board or piece of paper is divided into one hundred equal  
16 squares, each of which constitutes a chance to win in the ((sports))  
17 pool and each of which is offered directly to prospective contestants  
18 at one dollar or less; and

19 ((+2)) (b) The purchaser of each chance or square signs his or her  
20 name on the face of each square or chance he or she purchases; and

21 ((+3) At some time not later than prior to the start of the subject  
22 athletic contest)) (c) The pool ((is)) must be closed before the start

23 of the subject athletic contest and no further chances in the pool  
24 ((are)) may be sold; and

25 ((+4)) (d) After the pool is closed a prospective score is  
26 assigned by random drawing to each square((+)  
27 (5) All money paid by entrants to enter the pool less taxes is paid  
28 out as the prize or prizes to those persons holding squares assigned  
29 the winning score or scores from the subject athletic contest;

30 (6) The sports pool board is available for inspection by any person  
31 purchasing a chance thereon, the commission, or by any law enforcement  
32 agency upon demand at all times prior to the payment of the prize;

33 (7) The person or organization conducting the pool is conducting no  
34 other sports pool on the same athletic event; and

35 (8) The sports pool conforms to any rules and regulations of the  
36 commission applicable thereto)).

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