

1-1 By: Cyrier (Senate Sponsor - Bettencourt) H.B. No. 2757
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 19, 2021;
1-3 May 6, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on State
1-4 Affairs; May 21, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 1;
1-6 May 21, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
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1-11	X			
1-12	X			
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1-14	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 2757 By: Lucio

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the conduct and promotion of charitable raffles.
1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-23 SECTION 1. Section 2002.003(e), Occupations Code, is
1-24 amended to read as follows:
1-25 (e) A nonprofit wildlife conservation association and its
1-26 local chapters, affiliates, wildlife cooperatives, or units are
1-27 qualified nonprofit organizations under this chapter if the parent
1-28 association meets the eligibility criteria under this section other
1-29 than the requirement prescribed by Subsection (a)(3), (b)(3),
1-30 (b-1)(3), or (c)(3), as applicable. An association or a local
1-31 chapter, affiliate, wildlife cooperative, or unit that is eligible
1-32 under this subsection may not use any proceeds from a raffle
1-33 conducted under this chapter to attempt to influence legislation or
1-34 participate or intervene in a political campaign on behalf of a
1-35 candidate for public office in any manner, including by publishing
1-36 or distributing a statement or making a campaign contribution. ~~[A~~
1-37 ~~nonprofit wildlife conservation association may conduct two~~
1-38 ~~raffles each year and each local chapter, affiliate, wildlife~~
1-39 ~~cooperative, or unit may conduct two raffles each year under this~~
1-40 ~~chapter.]~~ For purposes of this section, a nonprofit wildlife
1-41 conservation association includes an association that supports
1-42 wildlife, fish, or fowl.
1-43 SECTION 2. Section 2002.052(b), Occupations Code, is
1-44 amended to read as follows:
1-45 (b) A raffle is not authorized by this chapter if the
1-46 organization ~~[sells or offers to sell tickets for or]~~ awards prizes
1-47 in the raffle in a calendar year in which the organization has
1-48 previously ~~[sold or offered to sell tickets for or]~~ awarded prizes
1-49 in four ~~[two or more]~~ other raffles. For purposes of this
1-50 subsection, a raffle conducted in a preceding calendar year for
1-51 which a prize or prizes are awarded on a later date set in
1-52 accordance with Subsection (e) that occurs in a subsequent calendar
1-53 year is not included in the number of raffles for which prizes are
1-54 awarded by the organization in that subsequent calendar year.
1-55 SECTION 3. Sections 2002.056(b) and (c), Occupations Code,
1-56 are amended to read as follows:
1-57 (b) Except as provided by Subsections (b-1) and (c), the
1-58 value of a prize offered or awarded at a raffle that is purchased by
1-59 the organization or for which the organization provides any
1-60 consideration may not exceed \$75,000 ~~[\$50,000]~~.

2-1 (c) A raffle prize may consist of one or more tickets in the
2-2 state lottery authorized by Chapter 466, Government Code, with a
2-3 face value of \$75,000 [~~\$50,000~~] or less, without regard to whether a
2-4 prize in the lottery game to which the ticket or tickets relate
2-5 exceeds \$75,000 [~~\$50,000~~].

2-6 SECTION 4. Section 2002.052(c), Occupations Code, is
2-7 repealed.

2-8 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-9 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-12 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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