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H.B. No. 72

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the sale of charitable raffle tickets by certain
3 nonprofit wildlife conservation associations.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 2002.054, Occupations Code, is amended
6 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as
7 follows:

8 (a) The organization may not:

9 (1) directly or indirectly, by the use of paid
10 advertising, promote a raffle through a medium of mass
11 communication, including television, radio, or newspaper;

12 (2) promote or advertise a raffle statewide, other
13 than on the organization's Internet website or through a
14 publication or solicitation, including a newsletter, social media,
15 or electronic mail, provided only to previously identified
16 supporters of the organization; or

17 (3) sell or offer to sell tickets for a raffle
18 statewide, except as provided by Subsection (a-1).

19 (a-1) A nonprofit wildlife conservation association,
20 including each local chapter, affiliate, wildlife cooperative, or
21 unit, that for purposes of this chapter is a qualified nonprofit
22 organization eligible under Section 2002.003(e), may use the
23 organization's Internet website to sell or offer to sell tickets
24 for a raffle to previously identified supporters of the

1 organization. This subsection does not authorize the use of an
2 Internet website to:

3 (1) provide a graphic or dynamic animation of an entry
4 to a raffle; or

5 (2) provide a graphic or dynamic animation of the
6 drawing of raffle tickets.

7 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
8 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
9 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
10 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
11 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the
12 legislative session.