

AN ACT

relating to ticket sales for charitable raffles conducted by the charitable foundations of certain professional sports teams.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2004.004, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsections (a-1), (a-2), (a-3), and (a-4) and amending Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(a-1) Raffle tickets for a charitable raffle conducted under Subsection (a) may be sold:

(1) at the home venue or rodeo venue of the professional sports team associated with the foundation conducting the raffle; or

(2) through digital interactive media, including an Internet website of or mobile application provided by the professional sports team associated with the foundation conducting the raffle.

(a-2) Raffle tickets for a charitable raffle conducted under Subsection (a) may be sold only during the period beginning when the venue opens to attendees of the game or rodeo venue opens to attendees of the rodeo event and ending when the draw to determine the prize winners for the raffle concludes.

(a-3) Raffle tickets sold under Subsection (a-1)(2) may only be sold to individuals who at the time of the sale are physically located inside the home venue or rodeo venue of the

1 professional sports team associated with the foundation conducting
2 the raffle.

3 (a-4) Subsection (a-1)(2) does not authorize the use of an
4 Internet website or mobile application to provide a graphic or
5 dynamic animation that corresponds to the outcome of a winning or
6 losing raffle ticket.

7 (d) Only persons 18 years of age or older may purchase
8 raffle tickets in a charitable raffle conducted under this chapter.
9 A professional sports team charitable foundation that conducts a
10 charitable raffle under Subsection (a) shall contract with a
11 third-party vendor to ensure only persons 18 years of age or older
12 purchase tickets for the raffle.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1759 was passed by the House on April 28, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 94, Nays 53, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1759 on May 25, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 97, Nays 45, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1759 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 23, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 24, Nays 7.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor