

AN ACT

relating to measures to protect the state from theft, lost lottery tickets, or other losses incurred by or in connection with lottery sales agents.

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

SECTION 1. Section 466.156, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 466.156. BOND; INSURANCE. (a) Each sales agent shall post a cash bond, surety bond, letter of credit, certificate of deposit, and/or other security approved by the executive director, including the contribution of cash to a pooled bond fund established by the executive director to protect the state from possible losses, including losses of a sales agent due to bankruptcy, theft, or loss of lottery tickets, supplies, or equipment. The amount of the security shall be determined by the executive director and must reflect the possible losses to the state from the operation of the sales agent. The total amount retained in a pooled bond fund established under this subsection may not exceed \$5 million. All losses to the state resulting from a sales agent's loss must be paid from the bond fund. The executive director may not charge a sales agent for a loss reimbursed from the bond fund.

(b) The executive director may ~~[also]~~ require a sales agent to maintain insurance ~~[if necessary]~~ to protect the interests of

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1 the state if the sales agent has not complied with the requirements
2 of Subsection (a).

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1241 was passed by the House on May 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1241 was passed by the Senate on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor