

1-1 By: McReynolds (Senate Sponsor - Staples) H.B. No. 1813
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2003;
1-3 May 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on State
1-4 Affairs; May 19, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 19, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the conduct of a raffle by a qualified nonprofit
1-9 organization.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 2002.052, Occupations Code, is amended
1-12 by adding Subsections (d), (e), and (f) to read as follows:

1-13 (d) Before selling or offering to sell tickets for a raffle,
1-14 a qualified organization shall set a date on which the organization
1-15 will award the prize or prizes in a raffle. The organization must
1-16 award the prize or prizes on that date unless the organization
1-17 becomes unable to award the prize or prizes on that date.

1-18 (e) A qualified organization that is unable to award a prize
1-19 or prizes on the date set under Subsection (d) may set another date
1-20 not later than 30 days from the date originally set on which the
1-21 organization will award the prize or prizes.

1-22 (f) If the prize or prizes are not awarded within the 30 days
1-23 as required by Subsection (e), the organization must refund or
1-24 offer to refund the amount paid by each person who purchased a
1-25 ticket for the raffle.

1-26 SECTION 2. Section 2002.055, Occupations Code, is amended
1-27 to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 2002.055. TICKET DISCLOSURES. The following
1-29 information must be printed on each raffle ticket sold or offered
1-30 for sale:

1-31 (1) the name of the organization conducting the
1-32 raffle;

1-33 (2) the address of the organization or of a named
1-34 officer of the organization;

1-35 (3) the ticket price; ~~and~~

1-36 (4) a general description of each prize having a value
1-37 of more than \$10 to be awarded in the raffle; and

1-38 (5) the date on which the raffle prize or prizes will
1-39 be awarded.

1-40 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003, and
1-41 applies only to a raffle for which tickets are initially sold or
1-42 offered for sale on or after that date. A raffle for which tickets
1-43 are sold or offered for sale before the effective date of this Act
1-44 is covered by the law in effect immediately before the effective
1-45 date, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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