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H.B. No. 2442

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the use of electronic or mechanical card-minding
3 devices during a bingo occasion.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 2001.409, Occupations Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 2001.409. CARD-MINDING DEVICES. [~~(a)~~] A person may
8 not use a card-minding device:

9 (1) to generate or determine the random letters,
10 numbers, or other symbols used in playing the bingo card played with
11 the device's assistance;

12 (2) as a receptacle for the deposit of tokens or money
13 in payment for playing the bingo card played with the device's
14 assistance; or

15 (3) as a dispenser for the payment of a bingo prize,
16 including coins, paper currency, or a thing of value for the bingo
17 card played with the device's assistance.

18 [~~(b) Not more than 40 percent of the individuals attending a
19 bingo occasion, based on the average of two previously submitted
20 quarterly reports, may use electronic or mechanical card-minding
21 devices. This subsection does not apply to pull-tab bingo.]~~

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2001.