Amend **CSHB 2233** (House Committee Report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION ___. Subchapter B, Chapter 466, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 466.0145 to read as follows:

Sec. 466.0145. INTERNET TICKET SALES AND PRIZE REDEMPTION BY <u>COMMISSION.</u> (a) The commission may establish a system and procedures necessary to sale lottery tickets through an Internet debit transaction in which a player, over the Internet, authorizes payment for a ticket by using:

(1) an automatic teller machine card or debit card;

(2) a debit account;

(3) an account established with the commission; or

(4) some other system established by the commission that provides a practical means for the player to purchase a ticket over the Internet.

(b) The commission may provide for the redemption of lottery prizes over the Internet for persons who have purchased tickets under Subsection (a).

(c) Participation in a lottery under this section is not considered to be playing a lottery game by telephone under Section <u>466.015(b).</u>

SECTION ___. Section 466.3052(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits an offense if the person intentionally or knowingly sells a ticket and the person accepts anything other than the following as payment for the ticket:

United States currency;

(2) a negotiable instrument in the form of a check that meets the requirements of Section 3.104, Business & Commerce Code;

(3) a debit made through a financial institution debitcard;

(4) a coupon or voucher issued by the commission for purposes of purchasing a lottery ticket; [or]

(5) a mail order subscription on a mail order subscription form authorized by the commission; or

(6) for an Internet transaction authorized under

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Section 466.0145, a debit made to a debit account or an account established with the commission or some other payment method authorized for use with a system established by the commission under that section.

SECTION ___. Section 466.355(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Money in the state lottery account may be used only for the following purposes and shall be distributed as follows:

(1) the payment of prizes to the holders of winning tickets;

(2) the payment of costs incurred in the operation and administration of the lottery, including any fees received by a lottery operator, provided that the costs incurred in a fiscal biennium may not exceed an amount equal to 12 percent of the gross revenue accruing from the sale of tickets in that biennium;

(3) the establishment of a pooled bond fund, lottery prize reserve fund, unclaimed prize fund, and prize payment account; and

(4) the balance, after creation of a reserve sufficient to pay the amounts needed or estimated to be needed under Subdivisions (1) through (3), to be transferred [to the foundation school fund,] on or before the 15th day of each month as follows:

(A) five percent to the general revenue fund for use only to fund economic development and job training in counties that are adjacent to this state's border with the United Mexican States and that have an unemployment rate that averaged more than 10 percent for the most recent two consecutive years for which statistics are available; and

(B) the remainder to the foundation school fund.

SECTION ___. Section 481.078, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g) At least five percent of the money granted from the fund must be awarded to recipients located in counties that are adjacent to this state's border with the United Mexican States and that have an unemployment rate that averaged more than 10 percent for the most recent two consecutive years for which statistics are available.

SECTION ___. Section 303.003(e), Labor Code, is amended to

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read as follows:

(e) It is the intent of the legislature that, to the greatest extent practicable, money from the skills development fund shall be spent in all areas of this state, except that at least five percent of the money must be spent in counties that are adjacent to this state's border with the United Mexican States and that have an unemployment rate that averaged more than 10 percent for the most recent two consecutive years for which statistics are available.

SECTION ___. Subchapter C, Chapter 57, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Section 57.0478 to read as follows:

Sec. 57.0478. GRANTS AND LOANS TO CERTAIN COUNTIES. At least five percent of the money granted or loaned under this subchapter must be distributed to counties that are adjacent to this state's border with the United Mexican States and that have an unemployment rate that averaged more than 10 percent for the most recent two consecutive years for which statistics are available.

SECTION ___. Section 57.051, Utilities Code, is repealed.

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