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H.B. No. 3343

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to establishing internet sales of lottery tickets.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 466, Government Code, is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

Sec. 466.257. Sale of Ticket Through Internet Computer Terminal.

(a) The commission may sell a ticket by use of computer terminals, through the internet, or by means of other electronic devices that technology may permit.

(b) The commission shall adopt rules establishing a method by which the commission shall sell a ticket by use of computer terminals, through the internet, or by means of other electronic devices that technology may permit.

(c) The commission shall create a practical method or system by which an individual eligible to purchase a ticket may purchase a ticket by use of a private or public computer terminal or other electronic means through use of a debit account or by means of an account established with the commission or by some other system that provides for a practical means for the individual to purchase a ticket by use of computer terminals, through the internet, or by means of other electronic devices that technology may permit.

SECTION 2. TRANSITION. No later than January 1, 2006, the commission shall create a method or system by which an individual

1 eligible to purchase a ticket may purchase a ticket as provided by  
2 the Act and the commission shall adopt the rules as required under  
3 this Act.

4 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect  
5 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members  
6 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas  
7 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for  
8 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2005.