By:  Bell of Montgomery H.B. No. 882

     (Senate Sponsor - Kolkhorst)

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 2, 2019; May 3, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs; May 14, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 14, 2019, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

               Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Huffman         X

Hughes          X

Birdwell        X

Creighton       X

Fallon          X

Hall            X

Lucio           X

Nelson          X

Zaffirini       X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the duration of a bingo occasion.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 2001.103(b), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  A temporary license is valid for six [~~four~~] hours during any one day.

SECTION 2.  Section 2001.419(b), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  A bingo occasion may not exceed six [~~four~~] hours.

SECTION 3.  The changes in law made by this Act apply to a bingo occasion conducted under a license issued under Chapter 2001, Occupations Code, before, on, or after the effective date of this Act. The holder of an unused temporary license issued before the effective date of this Act may submit to the Texas Lottery Commission, in the manner required by the commission, a license amendment or a notification that provides the specific date and time of the bingo occasion for which the temporary license will be used, and the commission may adopt the rules and procedures necessary to accomplish that purpose.

SECTION 4.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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