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H.B. No. 2138

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the sale of charitable raffle tickets by certain  
3 nonprofit wildlife conservation associations.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 2002.054, Occupations Code, is amended  
6 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as  
7 follows:

8 (a) The organization may not:

9 (1) directly or indirectly, by the use of paid  
10 advertising, promote a raffle through a medium of mass  
11 communication, including television, radio, or newspaper;

12 (2) promote or advertise a raffle statewide, other  
13 than on the organization's Internet website or through a  
14 publication or solicitation, including a newsletter, social media,  
15 or electronic mail, provided only to previously identified  
16 supporters of the organization; or

17 (3) sell or offer to sell tickets for a raffle  
18 statewide, except as provided by Subsection (a-1).

19 (a-1) A nonprofit wildlife conservation association,  
20 including each local chapter, affiliate, wildlife cooperative, or  
21 unit, that for purposes of this chapter is a qualified nonprofit  
22 organization eligible under Section 2002.003(e), may use the  
23 organization's Internet website to sell or offer to sell tickets  
24 for a raffle to previously identified supporters of the

1 organization.

2           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.