

1-1 By: Kacal, Bailes (Senate Sponsor - Bettencourt) H.B. No. 2138
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 13, 2023;
 1-3 May 2, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on State
 1-4 Affairs; May 16, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 2; May 16, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	X			
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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the sale of charitable raffle tickets by certain
 1-22 nonprofit wildlife conservation associations.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 2002.054, Occupations Code, is amended
 1-25 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as
 1-26 follows:

1-27 (a) The organization may not:

1-28 (1) directly or indirectly, by the use of paid
 1-29 advertising, promote a raffle through a medium of mass
 1-30 communication, including television, radio, or newspaper;

1-31 (2) promote or advertise a raffle statewide, other
 1-32 than on the organization's Internet website or through a
 1-33 publication or solicitation, including a newsletter, social media,
 1-34 or electronic mail, provided only to previously identified
 1-35 supporters of the organization; or

1-36 (3) sell or offer to sell tickets for a raffle
 1-37 statewide, except as provided by Subsection (a-1).

1-38 (a-1) A nonprofit wildlife conservation association,
 1-39 including each local chapter, affiliate, wildlife cooperative, or
 1-40 unit, that for purposes of this chapter is a qualified nonprofit
 1-41 organization eligible under Section 2002.003(e), may use the
 1-42 organization's Internet website to sell or offer to sell tickets
 1-43 for a raffle to previously identified supporters of the
 1-44 organization.

1-45 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-46 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-47 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-48 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-49 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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