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**LAWS OF:** 2018                    **CHAPTER:** 79

**NJSA:** 5:8-51.6 (Permits conduct of raffles at large sporting venues.)

**BILL NO:** A2178                    (Substituted for S1231)

**SPONSOR(S)** Schaer and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 1/29/2018

**COMMITTEE:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** Tourism, Gaming & the Arts

**SENATE:** ---

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** Yes

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** 6/25/2018

**SENATE:** 6/25/2018

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** 8/10/2018

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL** (Second Reprint enacted) Yes

**A2178**

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:** (Begins on page 4 of introduced bill) Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** Yes

**SENATE:** No

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**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:** Yes

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** No

**S1231**

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P.L. 2018, CHAPTER 79, *approved August 10, 2018*  
Assembly, No. 2178 (*Second Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning the conduct of raffles at large sporting venues  
2 and supplementing P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-50 et seq.).  
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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:  
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7 1. a. It shall be lawful for an organization eligible to conduct  
8 raffles in accordance with section 2 of P.L.1954, c.5 <sup>1</sup>**[(C.5:8-1)]**  
9 **(C.5:8-51)**<sup>1</sup> and registered and licensed with the Legalized Games of  
10 Chance Control Commission to conduct raffles in a large sporting  
11 venue located in a municipality where the provisions of the “Raffles  
12 Licensing Law,” P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-50 et seq.), are operative,  
13 provided that all other requirements to conduct raffles are met. To the  
14 extent any conflict exists between this act, P.L. , c. (C. )  
15 (pending before the Legislature as this bill), and the “Raffles Licensing  
16 Law,” P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-50 et seq.), then the provisions set forth in  
17 this act shall govern.

18 An organization conducting a raffle at a large sporting venue is  
19 subject to the following requirements:

20 (1) The organization conducting the raffle, in conjunction with the  
21 large sporting venue, shall announce the winner or winners of a raffle  
22 during the ticketed event in which the raffle is occurring. The  
23 organization and the large sporting venue shall post each winning  
24 raffle ticket <sup>2</sup>number<sup>2</sup> on their respective websites, if such websites  
25 have been established, for one year or until each winner claims the  
26 prize and submits any required documentation. Any prize from a  
27 raffle shall be delivered to a claimant verified to have the winning  
28 ticket within 30 days of the event in which the raffle took place;  
29 however, if no claimant verified to have the winning ticket claims the  
30 prize and signs all reasonably necessary documentation within 30 days  
31 of the event at which the raffle took place, the organization conducting  
32 the raffle at a large sporting venue shall hold the proceeds for a period  
33 of one year from the date of the raffle. If no claimant with the winning  
34 raffle ticket claims the prize and has signed all reasonably necessary  
35 documentation within one year from the date of the drawing, then the  
36 prize shall be forfeited and shall revert back to the organization for its  
37 own authorized use.

38 (2) Any daily and annual limits on the value of prizes contained in  
39 existing law or regulation shall not apply to raffles conducted at large

**EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

**Matter underlined thus is new matter.**

**Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:**

<sup>1</sup>Assembly ATG committee amendments adopted March 5, 2018.

<sup>2</sup>Assembly floor amendments adopted June 21, 2018.

1 sporting venues in accordance with this act, P.L. , c. (C. )  
2 (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

3 (3) On a quarterly basis in accordance with a schedule established  
4 by the commission, an organization conducting raffles in a large  
5 sporting venue in accordance with this act, P.L. , c. (C. )  
6 (pending before the Legislature as this bill), shall furnish to the control  
7 commission a duly verified statement showing the amount of the gross  
8 receipts derived from each <sup>2</sup>**[such game of chance]** raffle<sup>2</sup> held,  
9 operated, or conducted in the preceding quarter, which shall include  
10 receipts from the sale of shares, tickets, or rights in any manner  
11 connected with participation in the <sup>2</sup>**[game]** raffle<sup>2</sup> or the right to  
12 participate therein, each item of expense incurred or paid, and each  
13 item of expenditure made or to be made, name and address of each  
14 person to whom each such item has been or is to be paid, with a  
15 detailed description of the merchandise purchased or the services  
16 rendered therefor, the net proceeds derived from each such <sup>2</sup>**[game of**  
17 **chance]** raffle<sup>2</sup>, and the uses to which such net proceeds have been or  
18 are to be applied and a list of prizes offered or given, with the  
19 respective values thereof and it shall be the duty of each organization  
20 to maintain and keep such books and records as may be necessary to  
21 substantiate the particulars of each such report.

22 b. Notwithstanding section 9 of P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-58), an  
23 organization conducting raffles at a large sporting venue may conduct  
24 raffles on Sunday. Alcohol may be served at the sporting venue  
25 during the conduct of raffles provided that the sporting venue is the  
26 holder of a sporting facility license in accordance with R.S.33:1-12, or  
27 other appropriate license, to serve alcohol at retail for consumption on  
28 the premises by the glass or other open receptacle or in original  
29 containers. An organization conducting raffles at a large sporting  
30 venue is not required to conduct the drawings openly and in plain view  
31 of all players present.

32 c. <sup>2</sup>**[Ticketing]** Tickets<sup>2</sup> for raffles conducted at a large sporting  
33 venue may <sup>2</sup>**[include electronic]** be sold only by in-person<sup>2</sup>  
34 transactions <sup>2</sup>**[,** with payment by credit card to be permissible, but  
35 transactions shall be completed electronically on the premises through  
36 the Internet access available on, in, or surrounding] within the  
37 geographic area of<sup>2</sup> the large sporting venue <sup>2</sup>**[so long as]**  
38 electronically or by the issuance of paper tickets, and through devices  
39 operated or kiosks staffed by individuals who are employed by or  
40 represent<sup>2</sup> the organization conducting <sup>2</sup>**[raffles at a]** the raffle.  
41 Tickets for raffles may not be purchased electronically by the public  
42 other than through in-person transactions with the personnel of the  
43 organization conducting the raffle. In-person transactions between the  
44 purchaser and individuals who are employed by or otherwise represent  
45 the organization conducting the raffle may be made by cash, credit  
46 card, or other electronic payment methods, including, but not limited  
47 to, the utilization of Internet or intranet access (Wi-Fi or cellular

1 connectivity) in the<sup>2</sup> large sporting venue <sup>2</sup>【provides, either directly or  
2 through a third party, geo-fencing or other technology to restrict raffle  
3 ticket sales to those within the large sporting venue or the parking lots  
4 surrounding that venue】<sup>2</sup>. Tickets for raffles conducted in accordance  
5 with this act, P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as  
6 this bill), shall not be subject to any ticket price limits set for the  
7 general conduct of raffles. Pre-set bundles of tickets may be sold at a  
8 discount to participants.

9 d. <sup>2</sup>【In the conduct of a 50-50 on premises raffle as defined by  
10 the commission,】 Pursuant to P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before  
11 the Legislature as this bill) and notwithstanding the provisions of  
12 subsection b. of section 2 of P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-51), a 50-50 raffle  
13 shall have the raffle’s net proceeds divided between the raffle winner  
14 and the organization conducting the raffle as a prize, and<sup>2</sup> the prize  
15 may be awarded to a single participant or may be divided between a  
16 pre-determined number of participants. If the prize is to be divided  
17 between more than one participant, potential participants shall be made  
18 aware of such a division. <sup>2</sup>No more than one 50-50 raffle as described  
19 in this subsection shall be conducted during a ticketed event.<sup>2</sup>

20 e. An organization conducting a raffle at a large sporting venue  
21 may sell only traditional paper tickets, may use only electronic raffle  
22 systems, or may use a combination of paper and electronic raffle  
23 systems. <sup>2</sup>【For raffles held using only electronic raffle systems or a  
24 combination of paper and electronic raffle systems, drawings may be  
25 conducted electronically, with the winner or winners selected by  
26 electronic means.】<sup>2</sup> Drawings for all raffles <sup>2</sup>【, including those in  
27 which only paper tickets are sold,】<sup>2</sup> may be conducted either by a  
28 traditional drawing of duplicate paper tickets or electronically, with the  
29 winner or winners selected by electronic means. For raffles conducted  
30 in paper form where winners are chosen electronically or in  
31 combination of paper and electronic raffle systems, the paper tickets  
32 shall be entered into the electronic raffle system for record-keeping  
33 and for drawing purposes so that the purchases of paper tickets have an  
34 equal chance of winning as the purchases of electronic rights.

35 f. <sup>1</sup>Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-50 et  
36 seq.), or any other law, rule, or regulation to the contrary, an  
37 organization conducting a raffle at a large sporting venue shall be  
38 permitted to deduct from gross revenues its reasonable costs and  
39 expenses of conducting the raffle.

40 g.<sup>1</sup> As used in this section, “electronic raffle systems” means  
41 hardware, software, internet <sup>2</sup>, cellular,<sup>2</sup> or Wi-Fi connected devices  
42 and associated devices that enable raffles to be conducted entirely by  
43 electronic means, with rights to participate sold electronically <sup>2</sup>by  
44 individuals who are employed by or otherwise represent the  
45 organization conducting the raffle<sup>2</sup>, that generate a unique electronic  
46 entry to the raffle that is the equivalent of a paper ticket, each an

1 electronic ticket <sup>2</sup>which may be delivered to the purchaser  
2 electronically<sup>2</sup>, at the point of sale on the premises of the large  
3 sporting venue recorded in the electronic raffle system as eligible  
4 entries or rights to participate, and winners determined by random  
5 drawing from all electronic entries or rights to participate;

6 “large sporting venue” means a stadium, arena, or similar venue  
7 with minimum seating for 8,000 spectators wherein professional, semi-  
8 professional, or collegiate athletes compete in sports or other athletic  
9 games <sup>2</sup>and including the parking lots adjacent to and serving the  
10 patrons of that venue<sup>2</sup>; and

11 “net proceeds” means the gross income from the sale of tickets or  
12 rights to participate in a raffle, less only such actual expenses incurred  
13 as are authorized in the “Raffles Licensing Law,” P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-  
14 50 et seq.), and by the commission.

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16 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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Permits conduct of raffles at large sporting venues.

**ASSEMBLY, No. 2178**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**218th LEGISLATURE**

INTRODUCED JANUARY 29, 2018

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman GARY S. SCHAER**

**District 36 (Bergen and Passaic)**

**SYNOPSIS**

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**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. It shall be lawful for an organization eligible to conduct  
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9 registered and licensed with the Legalized Games of Chance  
10 Control Commission to conduct raffles in a large sporting venue  
11 located in a municipality where the provisions of the “Raffles  
12 Licensing Law,” P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-50 et seq.), are operative,  
13 provided that all other requirements to conduct raffles are met. To  
14 the extent any conflict exists between this act, P.L. , c. (C. )  
15 (pending before the Legislature as this bill), and the “Raffles  
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25 established, for one year or until each winner claims the prize and  
26 submits any required documentation. Any prize from a raffle shall  
27 be delivered to a claimant verified to have the winning ticket within  
28 30 days of the event in which the raffle took place; however, if no  
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31 event at which the raffle took place, the organization conducting the  
32 raffle at a large sporting venue shall hold the proceeds for a period  
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34 winning raffle ticket claims the prize and has signed all reasonably  
35 necessary documentation within one year from the date of the  
36 drawing, then the prize shall be forfeited and shall revert back to the  
37 organization for its own authorized use.

38 (2) Any daily and annual limits on the value of prizes contained  
39 in existing law or regulation shall not apply to raffles conducted at  
40 large sporting venues in accordance with this act, P.L. , c. (C. )  
41 (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

42 (3) On a quarterly basis in accordance with a schedule  
43 established by the commission, an organization conducting raffles  
44 in a large sporting venue in accordance with this act, P.L. ,  
45 c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill), shall  
46 furnish to the control commission a duly verified statement showing  
47 the amount of the gross receipts derived from each such game of  
48 chance held, operated, or conducted in the preceding quarter, which

1 shall include receipts from the sale of shares, tickets, or rights in  
2 any manner connected with participation in the game or the right to  
3 participate therein, each item of expense incurred or paid, and each  
4 item of expenditure made or to be made, name and address of each  
5 person to whom each such item has been or is to be paid, with a  
6 detailed description of the merchandise purchased or the services  
7 rendered therefor, the net proceeds derived from each such game of  
8 chance, and the uses to which such net proceeds have been or are to  
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19 for consumption on the premises by the glass or other open  
20 receptacle or in original containers. An organization conducting  
21 raffles at a large sporting venue is not required to conduct the  
22 drawings openly and in plain view of all players present.

23 c. Ticketing for raffles conducted at a large sporting venue may  
24 include electronic transactions, with payment by credit card to be  
25 permissible, but transactions shall be completed electronically on  
26 the premises through the Internet access available on, in, or  
27 surrounding the large sporting venue so long as the organization  
28 conducting raffles at a large sporting venue provides, either directly  
29 or through a third party, geo-fencing or other technology to restrict  
30 raffle ticket sales to those within the large sporting venue or the  
31 parking lots surrounding that venue. Tickets for raffles conducted  
32 in accordance with this act, P.L. , c, (C. ) (pending before  
33 the Legislature as this bill), shall not be subject to any ticket price  
34 limits set for the general conduct of raffles. Pre-set bundles of  
35 tickets may be sold at a discount to participants.

36 d. In the conduct of a 50-50 on premises raffle as defined by  
37 the commission, the prize may be awarded to a single participant or  
38 may be divided between a pre-determined number of participants.  
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40 potential participants shall be made aware of such a division.

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48 those in which only paper tickets are sold, may be conducted either

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5 systems, the paper tickets shall be entered into the electronic raffle  
6 system for record-keeping and for drawing purposes so that the  
7 purchases of paper tickets have an equal chance of winning as the  
8 purchases of electronic rights.

9 f. As used in this section, “electronic raffle systems” means  
10 hardware, software, internet or Wi-Fi connected devices and  
11 associated devices that enable raffles to be conducted entirely by  
12 electronic means, with rights to participate sold electronically, that  
13 generate a unique electronic entry to the raffle that is the equivalent  
14 of a paper ticket, each an electronic ticket, at the point of sale on the  
15 premises of the large sporting venue recorded in the electronic  
16 raffle system as eligible entries or rights to participate, and winners  
17 determined by random drawing from all electronic entries or rights  
18 to participate;

19 “large sporting venue” means a stadium, arena, or similar venue  
20 with minimum seating for 8,000 spectators wherein professional,  
21 semi-professional, or collegiate athletes compete in sports or other  
22 athletic games; and

23 “net proceeds” means the gross income from the sale of tickets  
24 or rights to participate in a raffle, less only such actual expenses  
25 incurred as are authorized in the “Raffles Licensing Law,”  
26 P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-50 et seq.), and by the commission.

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28 2. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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31 STATEMENT  
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33 This bill would permit raffles to be held by organizations  
34 authorized to conduct raffles at large sporting venues. The bill  
35 defines large sporting venues as a stadium, arena, or similar venue  
36 with minimum seating for 8,000 spectators wherein professional,  
37 semi-professional, or collegiate athletes compete in sports or other  
38 athletic games.

39 Moreover, the bill provides that alcohol may be served during  
40 the conduct of raffles, as long as the venue has the right to serve  
41 alcohol. Additionally, the bill would permit the electronic sale of  
42 raffle tickets, including electronically on the premises through the  
43 Internet access available on, in, or surrounding the large sporting  
44 venue so long as the organization conducting raffles at a large  
45 sporting venue provides geo-fencing or other technology to restrict  
46 raffle ticket sales to the large sporting venue or the parking lots  
47 surrounding that venue.

**A2178 SCHAER**

1 Under the bill, the organizations conducting raffles would be  
2 required to submit quarterly reports to the Legalized Games of  
3 Chance Control Commission detailing its raffle activity in the  
4 preceding quarter. Moreover, the organization conducting the raffle  
5 and the sporting venue in which the raffle is conducted would be  
6 required to post each winning raffle ticket on their respective  
7 websites for a period up to one year.

8 This bill would allow charitable organizations affiliated with  
9 professional sports teams or other eligible organizations to conduct  
10 raffles in large sporting venues during sporting events.

ASSEMBLY TOURISM, GAMING AND THE ARTS  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
ASSEMBLY, No. 2178

with committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MARCH 5, 2018

The Assembly Tourism, Gaming and the Arts Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 2178.

As amended by the committee, this bill would permit raffles to be held by organizations authorized to conduct raffles at large sporting venues. The bill defines a large sporting venue as a stadium, arena, or similar venue with minimum seating for 8,000 spectators wherein professional, semi-professional, or collegiate athletes compete in sports or other athletic games. An organization conducting a raffle at a large sporting venue would be permitted to deduct from gross revenues its reasonable costs and expenses of conducting the raffle.

The bill also provides that alcohol may be served during the conduct of raffles, as long as the venue holds a sporting facility license to serve alcohol. Additionally, the bill would permit the electronic sale of raffle tickets, including electronically on the premises through the Internet access available on, in, or surrounding the large sporting venue, provided the organization conducting raffles at a large sporting venue restricts raffle ticket sales to that venue or the parking lots surrounding that venue using geo-fencing or other technology.

Under the bill, the organizations conducting raffles would be required to submit quarterly reports to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission detailing its raffle activity in the preceding quarter. Moreover, the organization conducting the raffle and the sporting venue in which the raffle is conducted would be required to post each winning raffle ticket on their respective websites for a period up to one year.

This bill would allow charitable organizations affiliated with professional sports teams or other eligible organizations to conduct raffles in large sporting venues during sporting events.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The amendments: (1) allow an organization conducting a raffle at a large sporting venue to deduct from gross revenues its reasonable costs and expenses of conducting the raffle; and (2) correct the citation to a current law section.

STATEMENT TO  
[First Reprint]  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 2178**

with Assembly Floor Amendments  
(Proposed by Assemblyman SCHAER)

ADOPTED: JUNE 21, 2018

These Assembly amendments:

(1) require organizations and large sporting venues that conduct raffles to post the winning ticket number, rather than the ticket, on their respective websites;

(2) make specific references to raffles, rather than games or games of chance more generally;

(3) provide that tickets for raffles conducted at large sporting events may be sold only by in-person transactions within the geographic area of the venue, electronically or by the issuance of paper tickets, and through devices operated or kiosks staffed by individuals who are employed by or represent the organization conducting the raffle, and may be made by cash, credit card, or other electronic payment methods, including, but not limited to, the utilization of Internet or intranet access (Wi-Fi or cellular connectivity) in the large sporting venue;

(4) require a 50-50 raffle to have the raffle's net proceeds divided between the raffle winner and the organization conducting the raffle as a prize;

(5) limit to one the number of 50-50 raffles that may be conducted during a ticketed event;

(6) include cellular devices in the definition of "electronic raffle systems;"

(7) clarify that tickets may be sold only by individuals who are employed by, or otherwise represent, the organization conducting the raffle;

(8) allow for electronic delivery of an electronic ticket to the ticket purchaser; and

(9) include in the definition of "large sporting venue" the parking lots adjacent to and serving the patrons of that venue.

**SENATE, No. 1231**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**218th LEGISLATURE**

INTRODUCED JANUARY 25, 2018

**Sponsored by:**  
**Senator PAUL A. SARLO**  
**District 36 (Bergen and Passaic)**

**SYNOPSIS**

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**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



S1231 SARLO

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47 the amount of the gross receipts derived from each such game of  
48 chance held, operated, or conducted in the preceding quarter, which

1 shall include receipts from the sale of shares, tickets, or rights in  
2 any manner connected with participation in the game or the right to  
3 participate therein, each item of expense incurred or paid, and each  
4 item of expenditure made or to be made, name and address of each  
5 person to whom each such item has been or is to be paid, with a  
6 detailed description of the merchandise purchased or the services  
7 rendered therefor, the net proceeds derived from each such game of  
8 chance, and the uses to which such net proceeds have been or are to  
9 be applied and a list of prizes offered or given, with the respective  
10 values thereof and it shall be the duty of each organization to  
11 maintain and keep such books and records as may be necessary to  
12 substantiate the particulars of each such report.

13 b. Notwithstanding section 9 of P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-58), an  
14 organization conducting raffles at a large sporting venue may  
15 conduct raffles on Sunday. Alcohol may be served at the sporting  
16 venue during the conduct of raffles provided that the sporting venue  
17 is the holder of a sporting facility license in accordance with  
18 R.S.33:1-12, or other appropriate license, to serve alcohol at retail  
19 for consumption on the premises by the glass or other open  
20 receptacle or in original containers. An organization conducting  
21 raffles at a large sporting venue is not required to conduct the  
22 drawings openly and in plain view of all players present.

23 c. Ticketing for raffles conducted at a large sporting venue may  
24 include electronic transactions, with payment by credit card to be  
25 permissible, but transactions shall be completed electronically on  
26 the premises through the Internet access available on, in, or  
27 surrounding the large sporting venue so long as the organization  
28 conducting raffles at a large sporting venue provides, either directly  
29 or through a third party, geo-fencing or other technology to restrict  
30 raffle ticket sales to those within the large sporting venue or the  
31 parking lots surrounding that venue. Tickets for raffles conducted  
32 in accordance with this act, P.L. , c, (C. ) (pending before  
33 the Legislature as this bill), shall not be subject to any ticket price  
34 limits set for the general conduct of raffles. Pre-set bundles of  
35 tickets may be sold at a discount to participants.

36 d. In the conduct of a 50-50 on premises raffle as defined by  
37 the commission, the prize may be awarded to a single participant or  
38 may be divided between a pre-determined number of participants.  
39 If the prize is to be divided between more than one participant,  
40 potential participants shall be made aware of such a division.

41 e. An organization conducting a raffle at a large sporting venue  
42 may sell only traditional paper tickets, may use only electronic  
43 raffle systems, or may use a combination of paper and electronic  
44 raffle systems. For raffles held using only electronic raffle systems  
45 or a combination of paper and electronic raffle systems, drawings  
46 may be conducted electronically, with the winner or winners  
47 selected by electronic means. Drawings for all raffles, including  
48 those in which only paper tickets are sold, may be conducted either

1 by a traditional drawing of duplicate paper tickets or electronically,  
2 with the winner or winners selected by electronic means. For  
3 raffles conducted in paper form where winners are chosen  
4 electronically or in combination of paper and electronic raffle  
5 systems, the paper tickets shall be entered into the electronic raffle  
6 system for record-keeping and for drawing purposes so that the  
7 purchases of paper tickets have an equal chance of winning as the  
8 purchases of electronic rights.

9 f. As used in this section, “electronic raffle systems” means  
10 hardware, software, internet or Wi-Fi connected devices and  
11 associated devices that enable raffles to be conducted entirely by  
12 electronic means, with rights to participate sold electronically, that  
13 generate a unique electronic entry to the raffle that is the equivalent  
14 of a paper ticket, each an electronic ticket, at the point of sale on the  
15 premises of the large sporting venue recorded in the electronic  
16 raffle system as eligible entries or rights to participate, and winners  
17 determined by random drawing from all electronic entries or rights  
18 to participate;

19 “large sporting venue” means a stadium, arena, or similar venue  
20 with minimum seating for 8,000 spectators wherein professional,  
21 semi-professional, or collegiate athletes compete in sports or other  
22 athletic games; and

23 “net proceeds” means the gross income from the sale of tickets  
24 or rights to participate in a raffle, less only such actual expenses  
25 incurred as are authorized in the “Raffles Licensing Law,”  
26 P.L.1954, c.5 (C.5:8-50 et seq.), and by the commission.

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28 2. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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31 STATEMENT  
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33 This bill would permit raffles to be held by organizations  
34 authorized to conduct raffles at large sporting venues. The bill  
35 defines large sporting venues as a stadium, arena, or similar venue  
36 with minimum seating for 8,000 spectators wherein professional,  
37 semi-professional, or collegiate athletes compete in sports or other  
38 athletic games.

39 Moreover, the bill provides that alcohol may be served during  
40 the conduct of raffles, as long as the venue has the right to serve  
41 alcohol. Additionally, the bill would permit the electronic sale of  
42 raffle tickets, including electronically on the premises through the  
43 Internet access available on, in, or surrounding the large sporting  
44 venue so long as the organization conducting raffles at a large  
45 sporting venue provides geo-fencing or other technology to restrict  
46 raffle ticket sales to the large sporting venue or the parking lots  
47 surrounding that venue.

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1 Under the bill, the organizations conducting raffles would be  
2 required to submit quarterly reports to the Legalized Games of  
3 Chance Control Commission detailing its raffle activity in the  
4 preceding quarter. Moreover, the organization conducting the raffle  
5 and the sporting venue in which the raffle is conducted would be  
6 required to post each winning raffle ticket on their respective  
7 websites for a period up to one year.

8 This bill would allow charitable organizations affiliated with  
9 professional sports teams or other eligible organizations to conduct  
10 raffles in large sporting venues during sporting events.

# SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### **SENATE, No. 1231**

with committee amendments

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 18, 2018

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1231, with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill permits raffles to be held by organizations authorized to conduct raffles at large sporting venues. The bill defines large sporting venues as a stadium, arena, or similar venue with minimum seating for 8,000 spectators wherein professional, semi-professional, or collegiate athletes compete in sports or other athletic games and including the parking lots adjacent to and serving the patrons of that venue.

The bill provides that alcohol may be served during the conduct of raffles, as long as the venue has the right to serve alcohol. The bill permits tickets for the raffle to be sold only by in-person transactions within the geographical area of the large sporting venue electronically or by the issuance of paper tickets, and through devices operated or kiosks staffed by individuals who are employed by or represent the organization conducting the raffle. In-person transactions between the purchaser and individuals who are employed by or otherwise represent the organization conducting the raffle may be made by cash, credit card, or other electronic payment methods, including, but not limited to, the utilization of Internet or intranet access (Wi-Fi or cellular connectivity) in the large sporting venue.

The bill requires a 50-50 raffle to have its net proceeds divided between the raffle winner and the organization conducting the raffle as a prize. The bill restricts organizations to conducting one 50-50 raffle during a ticket event.

The bill allows an organization conducting a raffle at a large sporting venue to deduct from gross revenues its reasonable costs and expenses of conducting the raffle. The bill requires organizations conducting raffles to submit quarterly reports to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission detailing its raffle activity in the preceding quarter. Moreover, the organization conducting the raffle and the sporting venue in which the raffle is conducted is required to post each winning raffle ticket number on their respective websites for a period up to one year.

This bill allows charitable organizations affiliated with professional sports teams or other eligible organizations to conduct raffles in large sporting venues during sporting events.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The amendments require tickets for raffles to be sold only by in-person transactions within the geographical area of the large sporting venue electronically or by the issuance of paper tickets, and through devices operated or kiosks staffed by individuals who are employed by or represent the organization conducting the raffle.

The amendments clarify that the raffle's net proceeds shall be divided between the raffle winner or winners and the organization conducting the raffle and that no more than one 50-50 raffle can be conducted during a ticketed event.

The amendments allow an organization conducting a raffle at a large sporting venue to deduct from gross revenues its reasonable costs and expenses of conducting the raffle.

The amendments revise the definition of large sporting event to include the parking lots adjacent to and serving the patrons of that venue.

The amendments correct the citation to a current section of law.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill is not certified as requiring a fiscal note.



## Newark, N.J.

# Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

08/10/2018

**TRENTON** – Governor Phil Murphy today signed the following bills into law:

**A837 (Land, Andrzejczak, DeAngelo, Mazzeo/Diegnan, Van Drew)** – Requires public utility to charge veterans' organization residential rate for service delivered to property at which veterans' organization primarily operates.

**A1531 (Zwicker, Lopez, Mukherji/Kean, Singer, Pou)** – Revises law concerning reciprocity for out-of-State professional and occupational licenses.

**A2178 (Schaer, Calabrese, Wimberly/Sarlo)** – Permits conduct of raffles at large sporting venues.

**A2189 (Lampitt, Downey, Danielsen/Ruiz, Corrado)** – Requires school districts to include instruction on consequences of distributing and soliciting sexually explicit images through electronic means as part of New Jersey Student Learning Standards in Comprehensive Health and Physical Education.

**A2193 (Jones, Benson, Lampitt/Diegnan, Ruiz)** – Directs State of Board of Education to authorize computer science endorsement to instructional certificate.

**A2366 (Vainieri Huttler, Mukherji, Benson/Weinberg, Stack)** – Requires DOH to develop New Jersey Report Card of Hospital Maternity Care.

**A3861 (Quijano, DeAngelo, Giblin/Vitale, Gopal)** – Concerns unemployment compensation and labor disputes.

**A4169 (Pintor Marin, Mukherji, Lampitt/Stack)** – Authorizes NJ Infrastructure Bank to expend certain sums to make loans for environmental infrastructure projects for FY2019.

**A4170 (Taliaferro, Carter, Caputo/Sweeney)** – Appropriates funds to DEP for environmental infrastructure projects for FY2019.

**A4210 (Armato, Freiman, Jasey/Codey, Oroho)** – Appropriates \$15,294,000 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects.

**A4211 (Reynolds-Jackson, Chiaravalloti, Andrzejczak/Greenstein, Bateman)** – Appropriates \$9.703 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues for recreation and conservation purposes to DEP for State capital and park development projects.

**A4228 (Murphy, Conaway, Space/Singleton)** – Requires SHBP and SEHBP to establish and contract for

Medicare Primary Assignment and Audit Program ensuring that all persons in SHBP and SEHBP eligible for Medicare as primary provider.

**A4255 (Andrzejczak, Land, Mazzeo/Van Drew)** – FY2019 supplemental appropriation of \$1.2 million to Shellfish and Marine Fisheries Management for Bureau of Marine Fisheries in DEP.

**S430 (Pou, Oroho/Giblin)** – Concerns certain real estate licenses.

**S647 (Beach, Cruz-Perez/Jones, Lampitt, Barclay, Taliaferro)** – Permits registered voters to receive mail-in ballots automatically for all elections under certain conditions.


**S847 (Turner, Diegnan/Jasey, Murphy)** – Requires school districts to provide daily recess period for students in grade kindergarten through 5; permits denial of recess for violation of code of student conduct but student must be provided restorative justice activities.

**S1247 (Rice, Kean/Greenwald, Mukherji)** – Authorizes certain local government utilities to impose additional connection fees; requires certain new credits and reductions for these fees.

**S2645 (Singleton/Pinkin, McKeon, Reynolds-Jackson, Murphy)** – Makes various changes to New Jersey Infrastructure Bank's enabling act.

**S2763 (Scutari/Carter, Kennedy)** – Revises special charter for City of Plainfield.

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## Bill Signings

08/10/2018

The Governor has acted on the following bills today:

### BILL SIGNINGS:

**S-430/A-2726 (Pou, Oroho/Giblin)** - Concerns certain real estate licensees

**SCS for S-647/ACS for A-1186 (Beach, Cruz-Perez/Jones, Lampitt, Taliaferro)** - Permits registered voters to receive mail-in ballots automatically for all elections under certain conditions

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