

CHAPTER 98-230

House Bill No. 3289

An act relating to the state lottery; amending s. 24.105, F.S., relating to player activated vending machines; requiring a certain number of clerks to be on duty at certain lottery retailer locations; amending s. 24.111, F.S.; deleting the requirement that the Department of the Lottery lease all instant vending machines for a specified initial evaluation period; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (10) of section 24.105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

24.105 Powers and duties of department.—The department shall:

(10) Adopt rules governing the establishment and operation of the state lottery, including:

(a) The type of lottery games to be conducted, except that:

1. No name of an elected official shall appear on the ticket or play slip of any lottery game or on any prize or on any instrument used for the payment of prizes, unless such prize is in the form of a state warrant.

2. No coins or currency shall be dispensed from any electronic computer terminal or device used in any lottery game.

3. Other than as provided in subparagraph 4., no terminal or device may be used for any lottery game which may be operated solely by the player without the assistance of the retailer.

4. The only player-activated machine which may be utilized is a machine which dispenses instant lottery game tickets following the insertion of a coin or currency by a ticket purchaser. To be authorized a machine must: be under the supervision and within the direct line of sight of the lottery retailer to ensure that the machine is monitored and only operated by persons at least 18 years of age; be capable of being electronically deactivated by the retailer to prohibit use by persons less than 18 years of age through the use of a lockout device that maintains the machine's deactivation for a period of no less than 5 minutes; and be designed to prevent its use or conversion for use in any manner other than the dispensing of instant lottery tickets. Authorized machines may dispense change to players purchasing tickets but may not be utilized for paying the holders of winning tickets of any kind. At least one clerk ~~two clerks~~ must be on duty at the lottery retailer while the machine is in operation. However, at least two clerks must be on duty at any lottery location which has violated s. 24.1055.

Section 2. Paragraph (h) of subsection (2) of section 24.111, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

24.111 Vendors; disclosure and contract requirements.—

(2) The department shall investigate the financial responsibility, security, and integrity of each vendor with which it intends to negotiate a contract for major procurement. Such investigation may include an investigation of the financial responsibility, security, and integrity of any or all persons whose names and addresses are required to be disclosed pursuant to paragraph (a). Any person who submits a bid, proposal, or offer as part of a major procurement must, at the time of submitting such bid, proposal, or offer, provide the following:

(h) The department shall lease all instant ticket vending machines ~~for an initial evaluation period of 18 months.~~

The department shall not contract with any vendor who fails to make the disclosures required by this subsection, and any contract with a vendor who has failed to make the required disclosures shall be unenforceable. Any contract with any vendor who does not comply with such requirements for periodically updating such disclosures during the tenure of such contract as may be specified in such contract may be terminated by the department. This subsection shall be construed broadly and liberally to achieve the ends of full disclosure of all information necessary to allow for a full and complete evaluation by the department of the competence, integrity, background, and character of vendors for major procurements.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Became a law without the Governor's approval May 27, 1998.

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