IN SENATE

May 12, 2010

Introduced by Sen. STACHOWSKI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Racing, Gaming and Wagering

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to eliminating the cap on the total raffle prize amount permissible for a license period

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Subdivisions 6 and 8 of section 189 of the general municipal law, subdivision 6 as amended by chapter 337 of the laws of 1998 and subdivision 8 as amended by chapter 550 of the laws of 1994, are amended to read as follows:
- 6. No authorized organization shall award a series of prizes consisting of cash or of merchandise with an aggregate value in excess of ten thousand dollars during the successive operations of any one merchandise wheel, and three thousand dollars during the successive operations of any bell jar, coin board, or merchandise board. [No series of prizes awarded by raffle shall have an aggregate value in excess of one hundred thousand dollars.] For coin boards and merchandise boards, the value of a prize shall be determined by its cost to the authorized organization or, if donated, its fair market value.
- 8. Except for merchandise wheels and raffles, no series of prizes on any one occasion shall aggregate more than four hundred dollars when the licensed authorized organization conducts five single types of games of chance during any one license period. Except for merchandise wheels, raffles and bell jars, no series of prizes on any one occasion shall aggregate more than five hundred dollars when the licensed authorized organization conducts less than five single types of games of chance, exclusive of merchandise wheels, raffles and bell jars, during any one license period. [No authorized organization shall award by raffle prizes with an aggregate value in excess of one hundred thousand dollars during any one license period.]
 - S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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