

Sixty-fourth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1235

Introduced by

Representatives Maragos, Delmore, Karls

Senators Casper, Hogue, Nelson

- 1 A BILL for an Act create and enact a new section to chapter 53-06.1 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the game of electronic quick shot bingo; and to declare an emergency.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 53-06.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Bingo**Electronic quick shot bingo.

- 7 1. ~~"Bingo" means a game in which a player matches letter and number combinations on~~
8 ~~a bingo card or bingo card marking device with letter and number combinations that~~
9 ~~are called or predrawn and transmitted via radio frequency signal or wi-fi transmission.~~
10 ~~If a predetermined pattern is achieved, the player wins a prize. It is not required for~~
11 ~~each bingo game to have a winner. Bingo may be played on a bingo card or a bingo~~
12 ~~card marking device that marks an electronic card image.~~Electronic quick shot bingo is
13 a bingo game played on portable hand-held bingo devices utilizing electronic bingo
14 card images. The bingo game is played using twenty-four predrawn letters and
15 numbers and may use up to six bonus letters and numbers to achieve predetermined
16 patterns. The letters and numbers may only be drawn by the organization either
17 manually or with the use of a random number generator, once during a business day
18 and before the beginning of any session. It is not required for each bingo game to
19 have a winner. The bingo devices used in conjunction with a site operating system
20 automatically daubs the called letters and numbers via a radio frequency signal or wi-fi
21 transmission on a maximum of sixteen electronic bingo cards for an individual game.
22 The site operating system, including the point-of-sale, allows an employee to deposit
23 credits received from a player by cash, check, or debit card to a temporary credit
24 account to be used by a player for the purchase of electronic bingo cards. The devices

1 may determine a winning bingo and must accumulate the winning prize amounts in a
2 separate winnings account which may only be redeemed by an employee.

3 ~~2. If a player chooses to play using a bingo card, letter and number combinations may be~~
4 ~~called or predrawn. The player manually marks each corresponding square. An~~
5 electronic quick shot bingo marking device under subsection 1 is not a "coin-operated
6 gaming device" as defined in subsection 4 of section 12.1-28-02.

7 ~~3. If a player chooses to play using a bingo card marking device, letter and number~~
8 ~~combinations may be called or predrawn. The corresponding squares on the bingo~~
9 ~~card marking device are marked electronically, by radio frequency signal or wi-fi~~
10 ~~transmission, or manually by the player. Players may purchase bingo cards on the~~
11 ~~bingo card marking device which are then matched against the called or predrawn~~
12 ~~letter and number combinations. Card faces may not be revealed until after the sale is~~
13 ~~complete. A bingo card marking device:~~

14 ~~a. Utilizes a random number generator or a device from which bingo balls are~~
15 ~~drawn;~~

16 ~~b. Utilizes a bingo card marking device site operating system, including a~~
17 ~~point-of-sale device, which allows an employee to deposit credits received from a~~
18 ~~player by cash, check, or debit card into a temporary account that the player may~~
19 ~~use to purchase bingo cards on a bingo card marking device. All deposits must~~
20 ~~be received prior to play;~~

21 ~~c. May track the accumulation of a player's winnings which later must be redeemed~~
22 ~~by an employee; and~~

23 ~~d. Must be a portable radio frequency signal or wi-fi transmission unit. Stationary~~
24 ~~hard-wired devices may not be allowed.~~

25 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.