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**SYNOPSIS**

Imposes tax on certain State lottery winnings to finance grant program for not-for-profit entities operating after school programs in certain districts.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning the provision of after school programs and  
2 supplementing Title 54 of the Revised Statutes and chapter 6 of  
3 Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. a. In addition to any other tax authorized by law, there is  
9 imposed and shall be paid a tax of 0.5% on lottery winnings from  
10 the New Jersey Lottery from a prize in an amount equal to or  
11 greater than \$600. The Director of the Division of Taxation in the  
12 Department of the Treasury shall promulgate such rules and  
13 regulations as the director determines to be necessary to effectuate  
14 the provisions of this section.

15 b. All revenue collected from the tax imposed pursuant to  
16 subsection a. of this section shall be deposited in the "After School  
17 Program Fund" established pursuant to section 2 of P.L. ,  
18 c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill), and shall  
19 not be used to supplant State funds that are allocated to support  
20 after school programs as of the effective date of P.L. , c. (C. )  
21 (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

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23 2. There is hereby established in the Department of Education a  
24 fund entitled the "After School Program Fund." The fund shall be  
25 credited with all revenue collected from the tax imposed on lottery  
26 winnings from the New Jersey Lottery pursuant to section 1 of  
27 P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill). All  
28 interest or other income or earnings derived from the investment or  
29 reinvestment of moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund.  
30 The moneys in the fund shall be dedicated to fund the grant  
31 program established by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to  
32 section 3 of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as  
33 this bill).

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35 3. The Commissioner of Education shall establish a program to  
36 annually award competitive grants to not-for-profit entities that  
37 operate after school programs in school districts in which at least  
38 40% of the students are at-risk pupils, as defined in section 3 of  
39 P.L.2007, c.260 (C.18A:7F-45). The commissioner shall issue a  
40 notice of grant opportunity that shall require an applicant to submit  
41 information including, but not limited to, the following:

42 a. the manner in which the planned after school program would  
43 serve the needs and interests of the students in the school district;

44 b. a detailed description of the recreational, academic, and  
45 civic enrichment activities that would be offered;

46 c. the background and qualifications of the personnel who will  
47 supervise the program;

- 1 d. a schedule of the days and hours that the program will  
2 operate;  
3 e. the criteria that will be used to determine student eligibility  
4 to participate in the program;  
5 f. an estimate of the total annual cost of the program;  
6 g. an estimate of the number of children who will be served;  
7 and  
8 h. any other information that the commissioner deems  
9 necessary for evaluation of the grant application.  
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11 4. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to  
12 the first State fiscal year beginning after the effective date of this  
13 act.  
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16 STATEMENT  
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18 This bill imposes a tax of 0.5 percent on New Jersey Lottery  
19 winnings that are greater than or equal to \$600. The revenue  
20 generated by this tax would be used to fund a program to provide  
21 competitive grants to not-for-profit entities that operate after school  
22 programs in school districts in which at least 40 percent of the  
23 students are considered to be at-risk pupils (under the school  
24 funding law, this includes students who live in households in which  
25 the income is no greater than 185 percent of the federal poverty  
26 threshold).