

SENATE, No. 3959

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 218th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

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SYNOPSIS

Allows purchase of lottery tickets through decoupled debit payment method.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the purchase of lottery tickets through
2 decoupled debit as an electronic fund payment method and
3 supplementing P.L.1970, c.13 (C.5:9-1 et seq.).
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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. For the purposes of this act, P.L. , c. (C.) (pending
9 before the Legislature as this bill), “decoupled debit” means an
10 electronic fund transfer by an entity that does not hold the enrolled
11 user’s bank account and uses the automated clearing house network
12 to debit the user’s checking account for the settlement of
13 transactions.

14 b. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, rule, or
15 regulation to the contrary, a licensed lottery sales agent operating in
16 this State may accept decoupled debit as a form of payment from
17 patrons for the purchase of lottery tickets.

18 c. The State Lottery Commission shall promulgate rules and
19 regulations, pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure Act,”
20 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), as may be needed to
21 effectuate the provisions of this act.
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23 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month
24 following enactment, except that the State Lottery Commission may
25 take any anticipatory administrative action in advance as shall be
26 necessary for the implementation of this act.
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29 STATEMENT

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31 The bill permits lottery sales agents to accept decoupled debit as
32 a form of payment from patrons for the purchase of lottery tickets.
33 Under the bill, “decoupled debit” means an electronic fund transfer
34 by an entity that does not hold the enrolled user’s bank account and
35 uses the automated clearing house network to debit the user’s
36 checking account for the settlement of transactions.