Charitable Bingo

SB 76 amends existing bingo statutes by making the following amendments:

- Creates a new method of conducting “instant bingo” games as a designated call game;
- Removes the $1 charge limit for regular games of bingo;
- Raises the maximum charge for a single instant bingo ticket from $1 to $2;
- Increases the number of hours instant bingo tickets may be sold prior to the start of a regular session from one to two hours;
- Removes the $1,000 prize limit for progressive games;
- Increases the starting prize for progressive games from $250 to $400;
- Removes the three game limit of instant bingo;
- Increases the number of mini games allowed per session from 20 to 30;
- Restricts mini bingo games to begin no less than two hours prior to the first regular game of bingo, or continue not less than one hour after the last regular game;
- Excludes food offered to volunteer duty staff from being considered remuneration if it does not exceed $10 in value per volunteer;
- Clarifies that a licensee contracted by a beneficiary organization is included among licensees allowed to operate games; and
- Requires that at least one member of the licensee organization be on duty during a session, assist with the game, and be listed with the Office of Charitable Gaming.