

House Bill 155

By: Representative Buck of the 135th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 16-12-53 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 bingo licensure of certain nonprofit tax-exempt organizations, so as to change certain
3 licensure qualifications; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 **SECTION 1.**

6 Code Section 16-12-53 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bingo licensure
7 of certain nonprofit tax-exempt organizations, is amended by striking subsection (a) and
8 inserting in its place a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

9 "(a) Any nonprofit, tax-exempt organization desiring to obtain a license to operate bingo
10 games shall make application to the director on forms prescribed by the Georgia Bureau
11 of Investigation and shall pay an annual fee of \$100.00. No license shall be issued to any
12 nonprofit, tax-exempt organization unless the organization has been in existence for ~~24~~ 12
13 months immediately prior to the issuance of the license. The license will expire at 12:00
14 Midnight on December 31 following the granting of the license. Renewal applications for
15 each calendar year shall be filed with the director prior to January 1 of each year and shall
16 be on a form prescribed by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.