

Senate Bill 440

By: Senator Douglas of the 17th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to bingo, so as to define certain terms; to provide that certain nonprofit
3 organizations may sell certain pull tab games of chance; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
4 other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
8 relating to bingo, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

9 "16-12-63.

10 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:

11 (1) 'Nonprofit, tax-exempt organization' means an organization, association, corporation,
12 or other legal entity which has been determined by the federal Internal Revenue Service
13 to be exempt from taxation under federal tax law and has been determined by the Georgia
14 Department of Revenue to be exempt from taxation under the tax laws of this state; which
15 is organized or incorporated in this state or authorized to do business in this state; and
16 which uses the proceeds from any pull tab games conducted by such organization solely
17 within this state.

18 (2) 'Pull tab games' means multilayered paper tickets containing symbols hidden behind
19 perforated tabs with two sides, with one side listing the winning combination of symbols,
20 the cash payout for each combination, the total number of tickets that contain each
21 winning combination, and the total number of tickets in the game. This information may
22 also be posted in a printed sheet called a flare. The other side of the ticket contains the
23 perforated tabs which, upon purchase, the player pulls to reveal his or her winnings, if
24 any.

25 (b) Any nonprofit, tax-exempt organization shall be authorized to sell pull tab games, and
26 such sale shall be exempt from the laws of this state proscribing gambling."

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SECTION 2.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.