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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to gambling; lawful gambling; authorizing the board to adopt rules for  
1.3 electronic pull-tab games; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 349.12,  
1.4 by adding subdivisions; 349.151, by adding a subdivision.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 349.12, is amended by adding a  
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 12b. **Electronic pull-tab device.** "Electronic pull-tab device" means a  
1.9 terminal, system, or device authorized by the board that permits, upon payment of  
1.10 consideration, the play of electronic pull-tab games.

1.11 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 349.12, is amended by adding a subdivision  
1.12 to read:

1.13 Subd. 12c. **Electronic pull-tab game.** "Electronic pull-tab game" means an  
1.14 electronically simulated game authorized by the board that is played and displayed on  
1.15 a video monitor device.

1.16 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 349.151, is amended by adding a subdivision  
1.17 to read:

1.18 Subd. 4d. **Electronic pull-tabs.** (a) The board shall by rule authorize, but not  
1.19 require, the use of electronic pull-tab devices.

1.20 (b) Rules adopted under this subdivision must follow the guidelines for what is  
1.21 currently allowed for the conduct of pull-tabs under section 349.1721 in terms of the style  
1.22 of the game and prize payout and must additionally include:

- 2.1 (1) finite number of tickets in each electronic deal;
- 2.2 (2) predetermined number of winning and losing tickets;
- 2.3 (3) serialized tracking for each deal;
- 2.4 (4) no spinning symbols which mimic a video slot machine;
- 2.5 (5) no regeneration of serialized deal;
- 2.6 (6) all deals must be sold and played on-site and cannot be transferred electronically
- 2.7 or otherwise to any other location by the licensed organization;
- 2.8 (7) serialized deals cannot be shared or commingled with any other deals or locations;
- 2.9 (8) the number of devices at any single site the organization owns or leases is
- 2.10 limited to five;
- 2.11 (9) allowance for the board to remotely monitor the operation of the electronic
- 2.12 pull-tab devices and the internal accounting systems;
- 2.13 (10) requirement that electronic pull-tab devices maintain, on nonresettable meters,
- 2.14 a printable, permanent record of all transactions involving the device; and
- 2.15 (11) authority for the board to deactivate an electronic pull-tab device without notice
- 2.16 for violation of a law or rule and to implement any other controls deemed by the board
- 2.17 necessary to ensure and maintain the integrity of electronic pull-tab games operated under
- 2.18 this subdivision.
- 2.19 (c) The board shall examine prototypes of electronic pull-tab devices. The board
- 2.20 may contract for the examination of electronic pull-tab devices and may require working
- 2.21 models of electronic pull-tab devices to be transported to the locations the board designates
- 2.22 for testing, examination, and analysis. The manufacturer shall pay all costs of any testing,
- 2.23 examination, analysis, and transportation of the model.