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An Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-13.1)

Bingo — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the By-Law amending the By-Law respecting Bingo adopted by the Société des loteries du Québec, the text of which appears below, may be submitted to the Government for approval upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of this draft regulation is to permit the addition of new Bingo games while maintaining the principle of sharing profits with non-profit organizations.

To that end, the definition of a Bingo card is broadened. Also, the amount attributed to non-profit organizations is adjusted to insure that the principle of sharing Bingo profit with such organizations is maintained when the value of the prize offered in a game is higher than 45 %. Finally, certain minor modifications are made to certain sections, without any impact to non-profit organizations.

To date, the study of the matter reveals no impact on business.

Further information can be obtained by contacting M^eMarie-Christine Tremblay, Director, Corporate Secretariat, Loto-Québec, at telephone number (514) 499-5191 or at fax number (514) 873-8999.

Any person having comments to make is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to M^o Marie-Christine Tremblay, Director, Corporate Secretariat, Loto-Québec, 500, Sherbrooke Ouest Street, bureau 2100, Montréal (Québec) H3A 3G6.

The comments will be forwarded by the company to the minister of Finance, who is responsible for the application of the Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec.

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By-law amending the By-law respecting bingo*

An Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-13.1, a. 13)

1. Section 1 of the By-law Respecting bingo is amended by replacing the second paragraph by the following:

"Bingo is played with tickets issued by the Société des loteries du Québec (the Company). Each ticket contains one or many cards containing either six horizontal rows where the first one forms the word "Bingo" and five vertical columns, either any other figure containing squares. The squares of a card are imprinted with a number, an alphanumber or with the term "Gratuit"".

- **2.** Section 16 of the said By-law is amended by replacing the words "20 % of the sales of Bingo tickets" by the words "36,4 % of the sales of Bingo tickets minus the value of the prizes paid to the winners of the game".
- **3.** Section 17 of the said By-law is amended by:
- 1. replacing the words "3 % of the total amount of the pari-mutuel Bingo ticket sales" by the words "5,45 % of the total amount of the pari-mutuel Bingo ticket sales minus the value of the prizes paid to the winners of this game".
- 2. deleting the words "to a dedicated account whose sums are to be distributed".
- **4.** Section 18 of the said By-law is amended by replacing the words "The Company pays, from this account, to an organization referred to in Section 17" by the words "From the amount referred to in Section 17, the Company pays to each organization referred to in this same Section".
- **5.** This By-law comes into force on the fifteenth day following its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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^{*} The By-law respecting Bingo approved by Order in Council 1271-97 of September 24, 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, 5113) and has not been amended since.