

2023 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 157

BY SENATOR FOIL

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

LOTTERIES. Provides for the purchase of certain lottery tickets through the internet.
(2/3-CA12s6(A)(2)) (8/1/23)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 47:9008(A)(9) and to enact R.S. 14:90(F) and 90.3(L) and R.S.
3 47:9008(B), relative to the lottery; to provide relative to the purchase of lottery
4 tickets; to provide for the purchase of lottery tickets through the internet; to provide
5 for the duties and regulations of the Louisiana Lottery Corporation; and to provide
6 for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 14:90(F) and 90.3(L) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §90. Gambling

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11 **F. The purchase of lottery tickets through the internet, as provided in**
12 **R.S. 47:9008, shall not be considered gambling for the purposes of this Section.**

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14 §90.3. Gambling by computer

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16 **L. The purchase of lottery tickets through the internet, as provided in**
17 **R.S. 47:9008, shall not be considered gambling by computer for the purposes of**

1 **this Section.**

2 Section 2. R.S. 47:9008(A)(9) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 47:9008(B)
3 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

4 §9008. Board; lottery games; regulation

5 A. The board may adopt rules for the conduct of specific lottery games and
6 operations, including but not limited to rules specifying:

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8 (9) Any other matters necessary or desirable for the efficient and effective
9 operation of the lottery or for the convenience of the public, **including the purchase**
10 **of lottery tickets through the internet.**

11 **B. The board shall adopt rules in accordance with the Administrative**
12 **Procedure Act to implement, administer, and regulate the purchase of lottery**
13 **tickets through the internet.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

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Present law provides for the crimes of gambling and gambling by computer.

Proposed law adds an exception to the present law crimes for the purchase of lottery tickets through the internet.

Present law authorizes the board of directors for the La. Lottery Corp. to adopt rules for the conduct of specific lottery games and operations, including matters necessary or desirable for the efficient and effective operation of the lottery or the convenience of the public.

Proposed law amends present law to provide that the board may adopt rules for the purchase of lottery tickets through the internet.

Proposed law further requires the board to adopt rules to implement, administer, and regulate the purchase of lottery tickets through the internet.

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 47:9008(A)(9); adds R.S. 14:90(F) and 90.3(L) and R.S. 47:9008(B))