



To Whom It May Concern:

A public hearing will be held by the Office of Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 9:30AM in the Large Conference Room in the Rhodes State Office Tower, Floor 17, 30 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215.

The purpose of the hearing is to solicit comment on Ohio Administrative Code Rules 109:1-1-03, Group or consolidated registration; and, 109:1-3-02, Requirements for charitable bingo license application for charitable organizations previously licensed to play bingo games. Specifically, Rule 109:1-1-03 is being amended to remove a portion that is no longer relevant; and Rule 109:1-3-02 is being amended to conform with the office's application form and requirements.

The specific amended language of the rules are as follows:

**109:1-1-03 Group or consolidated registration.**

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(B) Yearly, a charitable trust which files a group registration form shall provide a list of all chapters or charitable trusts that are included as subordinate organizations within the group exemption letter issued by the internal revenue service and that are incorporated or otherwise organized in Ohio, ~~filed a return or other document with the internal revenue service indicating that the chapter or charitable trust is located in Ohio,~~ conduct program services in Ohio or have assets in Ohio, and include the employer identification number of each individual chapter or charitable trust in the group. For the purpose of this paragraph, "assets" includes cash, inventory, equipment, real estate, securities, investments, financial accounts and any other property.

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**109:1-3-02 Requirements for charitable bingo license application for charitable organizations previously licensed to play bingo games.**

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(B) [. . .] (3) [. . .] ~~(d)~~

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(E) [. . .]

~~(4) A statement of the total amount of the net profit from the proceeds of the sale of instant bingo that were distributed for the organization's expenses in the conduct of instant bingo and the amounts paid for each of the following:~~

- ~~(a) The total amount paid for the organization's type II and/or type III annual license fee;~~
- ~~(b) The total amount paid for bank fees, service charges;~~
- ~~(c) The total amount paid for audit and accounting services;~~
- ~~(d) The total amount paid for safes and cash registers;~~
- ~~(e) The total amount paid for security personnel;~~

~~(f) The total amount paid for bingo advertising;~~

~~(g) The total amount paid for tables and chairs;~~

~~(h) The total amount paid for the maintenance and operation of the organization's facilities;~~

~~(i) The total amount paid for real property taxes and assessments only for the parcel where bingo is conducted.~~

(F) The charitable organization shall, at the request of the attorney general, provide documentation that proves continued charitable programming and the use of bingo proceeds to fund such charitable programming.

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing and present oral and/or written testimony. Written comments may also be submitted prior to the hearing to the attention of Andrew Hopkins, Policy & Legislation, Office of Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost, 30 East Broad Street, Floor 17, Columbus, Ohio 43215, or Andrew.Hopkins@OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov no later than Monday, March 15, 2021 by close of business. For security purposes, please also notify Andrew Hopkins if you plan to attend the hearing no later than Friday, March 12, 2021 by close of business.

Due to COVID-19 anyone attending in person is required to wear a mask. Efforts will be made to ensure appropriate social distancing can be maintained.