
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1—COMMITTEE ON
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA YOUTH LEGISLATURE)

PREFILED DECEMBER 14, 2010

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to allow the Legislature to authorize the operation of a state lottery for the support of public education. (BDR C-68)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION—Proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to allow the Legislature to authorize the operation of a state lottery for the support of public education.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 The Nevada Constitution currently prohibits the operation of a lottery in this
2 State except for a lottery authorized by the Legislature in the form of a raffle or
3 drawing for charitable or nonprofit activities. (Nev. Const. Art. 4, § 24) This
4 resolution proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to add an additional
5 exception to this prohibition to allow the Legislature to authorize the operation of a
6 state lottery to benefit K-12 education. If the Legislature authorizes such a lottery,
7 this resolution would require the Legislature to determine the manner in which the
8 lottery would be operated and to provide for a committee to oversee the lottery.
9 This resolution also requires that all of the proceeds of the lottery, after deducting
10 the cost of operation, be disbursed to the schools districts of this State in a fair and
11 equitable manner.



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RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That Section 24 of Article 4 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to read as follows:

~~{Sec:}~~ **Sec.** 24. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, no lottery may be authorized by this State, nor may lottery tickets be sold ~~to~~

~~—2.—The~~ , and the State and the political subdivisions thereof shall not operate a lottery.

2. The Legislature may authorize ~~{persons}~~ :

(a) **Persons** engaged in charitable activities or activities not for profit to operate a lottery in the form of a raffle or drawing on their own behalf. All proceeds of the lottery, less expenses directly related to the operation of the lottery, must be used only to benefit charitable or nonprofit activities in this State. A charitable or nonprofit organization shall not employ or otherwise engage any person to organize or operate its lottery for compensation. The Legislature may provide by law for the regulation of such lotteries.

(b) *A lottery to be operated by or on behalf of the State of Nevada. If the Legislature authorizes such a lottery, the Legislature shall, by law:*

(1) *Determine the appropriate manner of operation of the lottery;*

(2) *Provide for the disbursement of all money from the proceeds of the lottery, less expenses directly related to the operation of the lottery, to the school districts in this State in a fair and equitable manner; and*

(3) *Establish a committee to oversee the operation of the lottery and the distribution of the proceeds generated by the lottery.*

