

1 **H. B. 4559**

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3 (By Delegates Morgan, Craig, T. Campbell and  
4 C. Miller)

5 [Introduced February 16, 2012; referred to the  
6 Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.]  
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10 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by  
11 adding thereto a new section, designated §29-22-30, relating  
12 to authority of Lottery Commission; permitting limited charity  
13 fundraising events; defining terms and providing rule-making  
14 authority.

15 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

16 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended  
17 by adding thereto a new section, designated §29-22-30, to read as  
18 follows:

19 **ARTICLE 22. STATE LOTTERY ACT.**

20 **§29-22-30. Charitable Gaming.**

21 (a) Notwithstanding any section of this code to the contrary,  
22 the Lottery Commission shall authorize and regulate limited charity  
23 fundraising events.

1       (b) The following terms have the following meanings:

2       (1) "Charitable game" means roulette, blackjack, poker, money  
3 wheel, baccarat, pusher-type games, a dice game where the player  
4 competes against the house and any other game of chance as  
5 identified, defined and approved by legislative rule of the  
6 commission;

7       (2) "Charitable organization" has the meaning as that term is  
8 defined in subdivision two, section two, article nineteen, chapter  
9 twenty-nine of this code; and

10       (3) "Limited charity fundraising event" means any type of  
11 charity fundraising event that are commonly known as a "casino  
12 night," "Las Vegas night," or "Monte Carlo night", at which the  
13 predominant number or types of games offered for play are  
14 charitable games;

15       (c) The Lottery Commission shall propose rules for legislative  
16 approval in accordance with the provisions of article three,  
17 chapter twenty-nine-a of this code to authorize and regulate  
18 limited charity fundraising events.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to permit the Lottery Commission to authorize and regulate limited charity fundraising events and authorize rule-making authority towards this end.

This section is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.