

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

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### **House Bill 2204**

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to the Committee on the Judiciary.]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §29-22B-702 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,  
 2 relating to removing limitations on advertising and promotional activities by limited video  
 3 lottery retailers.

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

1 That §29-22B-702 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and  
 2 reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 22B. LIMITED VIDEO LOTTERY.**

**§29-22B-702. Additional duties of limited video lottery retailers.**

1 In addition to the general duties imposed on all licensees in section ~~22B-701~~ seven  
 2 hundred one of this article, a limited video lottery retailer shall:

3 (1) Attend all commission mandated meetings, seminars and training sessions concerning  
 4 operation of video lottery terminals, the validation and redemption of video lottery winning tickets  
 5 and the operation of all ticket validation terminals and equipment;

6 (2) Maintain all skills necessary for the accurate validation of video lottery tickets;

7 (3) Supervise video lottery operations and ticket validation procedures at the applicable  
 8 location;

9 (4) Permit no person to tamper with or interfere with the operation of any video lottery  
 10 terminal;

11 (5) Ensure that telephone lines from the commission's central control computer to the  
 12 video lottery terminals located at the approved location are at all times connected, and prevent  
 13 any person from tampering or interfering with the operation of the telephone lines;

14 (6) Ensure that video lottery terminals are within the sight and control of designated  
 15 employees of the limited video lottery retailer;

16 (7) Ensure that video lottery terminals are placed and remain placed in the specific  
 17 locations which have been approved by the commission. A video lottery terminal in a restricted

18 access adult-only facility may not be relocated within the facility without the prior written approval  
19 of the commission;

20 (8) Monitor video lottery terminals to prevent access to or play by persons who are under  
21 the age of twenty-one years or who are visibly intoxicated;

22 (9) Maintain at all times sufficient change and cash in the denominations accepted by the  
23 video lottery terminals;

24 (10) Provide no access by a player to an automated teller machine (ATM) in the restricted  
25 access adult-only facility where video lottery games are played, accept no credit card or debit  
26 card from a player for the exchange or purchase of video lottery game credits or for an advance  
27 of coins or currency to be utilized by a player to play video lottery games and extend no credit, in  
28 any manner, to a player so as to enable the player to play a video lottery game;

29 (11) Pay for all credits won upon presentment of a valid winning video lottery ticket;

30 (12) Report promptly in writing to the operator and the commission all video lottery terminal  
31 malfunctions and notify the commission in writing of the failure of an operator or service technician  
32 to provide prompt service and repair of the terminals and associated equipment;

33 ~~(13) Conduct no video lottery advertising or promotional activities;~~

34 ~~(14) Not use the words "video lottery" in the name of the approved location, or in any  
35 directions or advertising visible from outside the retailer's establishment;~~

36 ~~(15)~~ (13) Install, post and display prominently within or about the approved location signs,  
37 redemption information and other promotional material as required by the commission;

38 ~~(16)~~ (14) Permit video lottery to be played only during those hours established and  
39 approved by the commission: *Provided*, That the limited video lottery retailer shall may not permit  
40 video lottery to be played beyond the hour during which liquor may be served;

41 ~~(17)~~ (15) Contract with no more than one licensed operator for the placement of video  
42 lottery terminals at the licensed location;

43 ~~(18)~~ (16) Maintain insurance covering all losses as the result of fire, theft or vandalism to

- 44 video lottery terminals and associated equipment; and
- 45 ~~(19)~~ (17) Comply with all applicable provisions of this article and rules and orders of the
- 46 commission.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to remove the limitations on advertising and promotional activities by limited video lottery retailers.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.