



Texas Lottery Commission



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Director

February 11, 2020

«NAME» Representative
«ADDRESS1»
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«CITY», «STATE» «ZIP»

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2020 Bingo Prize Fee Allocations Statement

Dear «NAME» Representative,

The Texas Lottery Commission, Charitable Bingo Operations Division (Commission) is providing this notification regarding the allocation of bingo prize fees to counties and municipalities. As a reminder, during the 86th Texas Legislative Session, amendments were made to Chapter 2001.502 of the Texas Occupations Code (Bingo Enabling Act) that modified how the Texas Lottery Commission, Charitable Bingo Operations Division (Commission) executes the allocation of prize fees to counties and municipalities. County and city officials are encouraged to review Sections 2001.504 and 2001.507 of the Bingo Enabling Act as amended by House Bill (HB) 914.

Effective January 1, 2020, the Commission will no longer have a role in the disbursement of prize fees to counties and municipalities. Any prize fees generated after that date will be paid to counties and municipalities by the bingo conductors. During the month of February 2020, the Commission will make one final prize fee allocation to counties and municipalities for fees that were generated in 2019.

The Occupations Code may be viewed on the Texas Constitution and Statutes website at www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us. Additionally, the enrolled version of HB 914 may be viewed on the Texas Legislature Online website (www.legis.state.tx.us). More information is located below.

<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/OC/htm/OC.2001.htm>
<https://www.legis.state.tx.us/tlodocs/86R/billtext/html/HB00914F.HTM>

For information, specific to the Charitable Bingo Operations Division go to www.txbingo.org, or for questions related to this letter, contact us at (800) 246-4677 or via email at bingo.services@lottery.state.tx.us.

Sincerely,

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