

CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION
FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
CGCC-GCA-2014-01-R

HEARING DATE: *(None Scheduled or Requested)*

SUBJECT MATTER OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS: **Remote Caller Bingo; Commission Authorization of Eligible Organizations**

SECTIONS AFFECTED: California Code of Regulations, Title 4, Division 18:
Section 12505

UPDATED INFORMATION:

The Initial Statement of Reasons is included in the file and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. The information contained therein is complete and no changes have been made in the proposed action that would warrant any changes to that information.

UNDERLYING DATA:

Technical, theoretical, or empirical studies or reports relied upon:

No studies or reports were relied upon during the development of these regulations.

REQUIRED DETERMINATIONS:

Local Mandate:

A mandate is not imposed on local agencies or school districts.

BUSINESS IMPACT:

These regulations will not have a significant adverse economic impact on businesses. This initial determination is based on the following facts or evidence/documents/testimony:

The cost to do business is the same, with or without these proposed regulations. Further, these proposed regulations may benefit business by reducing the burden of waiting for Commission approval for information that has not changed. As a result, this proposed action does not impose any additional requirement upon or require any action by any business. There are no reporting or

recordkeeping requirements mandated, nor are there any performance standards imposed, technologies or equipment specified, nor specific actions or procedures prescribed.

ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT/ANALYSIS:

IMPACT ON JOBS/NEW BUSINESSES:

The Commission has determined that this regulatory proposal will not have a significant impact on the creation of new jobs or businesses, the elimination of jobs or existing businesses, or the expansion of businesses in California.

BENEFITS OF PROPOSED REGULATION:

This proposed regulation will have the benefit of creating a more streamlined and efficient process for processing the annual updates of the eligibility statements submitted by previously authorized organizations conducting or participating in remote caller bingo games.

CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES:

No reasonable alternative to the regulation would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed, would be as effective as and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

Set forth below are the alternatives that were considered and the reasons each alternative was rejected:

No reasonable alternative has been considered or otherwise identified and brought to the attention of the Commission

COMMENTS, OBJECTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS / RESPONSES:

45-DAY WRITTEN COMMENTS:

This proposed action would amend Section 12505 within Chapter 8. The amendments make the authorization process more efficient by maintaining required Commission approval of the initial application for organization authorization, but eliminating the need for Commission approval of the administrative task of reviewing subsequent annual information updates.

The following written comments/objections/recommendations were received regarding the proposed action during the 45-day comment period that commenced January 24, 2014 and ended March 10, 2014:

Susanne George, Bureau of Gambling Control: The Bureau of Gambling Control expressed support for the proposed text and recommended that no changes be made.

Response: This expression of support was accepted and considered in the adoption of the proposed action.

There were no further comments, objections or recommendations received within the 45-day public comment period regarding the proposed action.

A hearing to receive oral and written comments regarding the proposed action was not scheduled, nor was a hearing requested pursuant to Government Code section 11346.8.

COMMENTS RECEIVED OUTSIDE THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The comments listed below were not received during the abovementioned public comment period. While they are included in the rulemaking file, they have not been summarized or responded to, and were not considered in the adoption of the proposed action.

Oral comments offered by Reverend James Butler, at the May 8, 2014 Commission meeting.

There were no further written or oral comments, objections or recommendations received either during or outside the public comment period regarding the proposed action.