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Section 563.51 (3), stats., provides that a person must pay for a regular bingo card in order to participate in a special bingo game. Under the bill, progressive jackpot bingo is a special bingo game. Should a person have to purchase a regular bingo card in order to play progressive jackpot bingo?

Should the bill exempt progressive jackpot bingo from the first prohibition under s. 563.51 (10) (b), stats., — that no additional prizes shall be awarded on the basis of either a specific arrangement of the numbers or the type of card required to win a game?

Section 563.51 (21), stats., requires that the price of a card for each type of bingo game remain the same during a bingo occasion. Should the bill require that the price of a card for progressive jackpot bingo remain the same over successive bingo occasions until someone wins the progressive jackpot?

Should senior citizen centers, adult family homes, and community-based residential centers be permitted to conduct progressive jackpot bingo. The bill prohibits these organizations from conducting progressive jackpot bingo. If they should be permitted to conduct progressive background bingo, s. 563.135 (1) (d), stats., must be amended to change the aggregate prize limitation.

Section 563.53 (3), stats., limits the fee for a special bingo card to 25 cents? Do you want an exception to this limit for a progressive jackpot bingo card?

Please note that the administrative rules for the conduct of bingo games (Game 42.06) use the term “progressive bingo game” for a game in which there are several possible winning arrangements of numbers. Do you want to use a different term than “progressive jackpot bingo” in the bill?

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