## **HOUSE BILL No. 2132**

By Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security

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AN ACT concerning the veterans benefit lottery game; establishing the veterans benefit lottery game fund; amending K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-8724 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) The Kansas commission on veterans affairs shall establish the veterans benefit lottery game fund, and such fund shall not be a part of the state treasury. All net profits received from the sale of veterans benefit lottery game tickets, materials and games, in accordance with K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-8724, and amendments thereto, shall be paid to the Kansas commission on veterans affairs for deposit in the veterans benefit lottery game fund. Distributions from the fund shall not be subject to appropriation.

- (b) On or before the fifth day of each month, the executive director of the Kansas lottery shall determine and certify to the director of accounts and reports the aggregate amount of net profits received from the sale of veterans benefit game lottery tickets, materials and games, as prescribed by rules and regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (b) of K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-8724, and amendments thereto, during the preceding month. Upon receipt of each such certification, the director of accounts and reports shall pay the amount equal to 100% of the amount certified to the Kansas commission on veterans affairs for deposit in the veterans benefit lottery game fund.
- (c) The Kansas commission on veterans affairs shall be responsible for ensuring that all expenditures from the veterans benefit lottery game fund shall be used as follows:
- (1) An amount equal to 40% of such net profits shall be expended for purposes directly benefiting members of the Kansas army and air national guard and their families to provide for Kansas national guard educational assistance act scholarships pursuant to K.S.A. 74-32,145 et seq., and amendments thereto, and, to the extent that moneys are available, for other purposes directly benefiting members of the Kansas army and air national guard and their families as provided by appropriation act;
- (2) an amount equal to 30% of such net profits shall be expended for operating expenditures and capital improvements for the use and benefit of the Kansas veterans' home, the Kansas soldiers' home and the state

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veterans cemetery system; and

- (3) an amount equal to 30% of such net profits shall be expended for a veterans enhanced service delivery program.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-8724 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-8724. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Kansas lottery commission shall establish an instant lottery scratch-off game designated as the veterans benefit game, which shall be conducted by the Kansas lottery. Tickets for the veterans benefit game established by this section shall be offered for sale year-round.
- (b) The Kansas lottery commission shall adopt rules and regulations governing the establishment of the veterans benefit game pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8710, and amendments thereto, except that subsection (b) of K.S.A. 74-8710, and amendments thereto, shall not apply to the veterans benefit game established by this section.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of K.S.A. 79-4801 et seq.; and K.S.A. 74-8711, and amendments thereto, all net profits, received from the sale of veterans benefit game lottery tickets, materials and games, as prescribed by rules and regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, shall be deposited in the state treasury and shall be used as follows: (1) An amount equal to 40% of such net profits shall be appropriated for purposes directly benefitting members of the Kansas army and air national guard and their families to provide for Kansas national guard educational assistance act scholarships pursuant to K.S.A. 74-32,145 et seq., and amendments thereto, and, to the extent that moneys are available, for other purposes directly benefitting members of the Kansas army and air national guard and their families as provided by appropriation act:
- (2) an amount equal to 30% of such net profits shall be appropriated for operating expenditures and capital improvements, or as otherwise-provided by appropriation act, for the use and benefit of the Kansas-veterans' home, the Kansas soldiers' home and the state veterans cemetery system; and
- (3) an amount equal to 30% of such net profits from: (A) July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2010, shall be appropriated for the museum of the Kansas national guard to expand the museum facility to include a 35<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Museum and a museum education center as provided by appropriation act; and (B) from and after July 1, 2010, shall be appropriated for a veterans enhanced service delivery program paid to the Kansas commission on veterans affairs for deposit in the veterans benefit lottery game fund pursuant to section 1, and amendments thereto.
- (d) The Kansas lottery commission shall change the design or theme of the veterans benefit game regularly so that the game remains competitive with the other instant lottery scratch-off games offered by

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- 1 such commission. The tickets for the instant lottery game authorized by
- this section shall clearly state that the profits derived from the game shall
- 3 be used to benefit veterans and veterans issues in this state.
- 4 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-8724 is hereby repealed.
- 5 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 6 publication in the statute book.