HOUSE BILL No. 2628

By Committee on Education

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AN ACT establishing the school district pre-kindergarten program benefit lottery game; establishing the pre-kindergarten program benefit game fund.

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

Section 1. (a) The Kansas lottery commission shall establish an instant lottery scratch-off game designated as the school district pre-kindergarten program benefit game, which shall be conducted by the Kansas lottery. Tickets for the school district pre-kindergarten program benefit game established by this section shall be offered for sale year-round. The tickets for the instant lottery game authorized by this section shall clearly and prominently state on the front of such tickets that the profits derived from the game shall be used to benefit pre-kindergarten programs provided by school districts in this state. The Kansas lottery commission shall adopt rules and regulations governing the establishment of the school district pre-kindergarten program benefit game pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8710, and amendments thereto.

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of K.S.A. 79-4801 et seq. and 74-8711, and amendments thereto, all net profits received from the sale of the school district pre-kindergarten program benefit game lottery tickets, materials and games, as prescribed by rules and regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, shall be deposited in the pre-kindergarten program benefit game fund.
- (c) K.S.A. 74-8710(b), and amendments thereto, shall not apply to the school district pre-kindergarten program benefit game established by this section.
- Sec. 2. (a) There is hereby established in the state treasury the pre-kindergarten program benefit game fund which shall be administered by the department of education. On and after July 1, 2016, all net profits received pursuant to section 1, and amendments thereto, shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the pre-kindergarten program benefit game fund. All expenditures from the pre-kindergarten program benefit game fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of

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accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the commissioner of education or the designee of the commissioner.

- (b) The state department of education shall ensure that all expenditures from the pre-kindergarten program benefit game fund are disbursed to all school districts that provide a pre-kindergarten program. At least annually, the state department of education shall disburse the funds in the pre-kindergarten program benefit game fund to each school district that provides a pre-kindergarten program on the basis of a school district's enrollment of pre-kindergarten pupils in the immediately preceding school year. If a school district did not provide for a pre-kindergarten program in the immediately preceding school year but provides a pre-kindergarten program at the time funds are disbursed, the state department of education shall disburse funds to such school district based on the average enrollment of pre-kindergarten pupils in the immediately preceding school year among school districts which provided pre-kindergarten programs.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.