Brief*

HB 2313 would amend the Kansas Lottery Act to allow the use of lottery ticket vending machines, amend law concerning underage purchasing of lottery tickets, and repeal the sunset provision for the Kansas Lottery in current law.

**Lottery Ticket Vending Machines**

The bill would allow the Kansas Lottery to use lottery ticket vending machines to sell lottery tickets. The bill would amend the definition of “lottery machine” by removing the term “lottery ticket vending machine” from the definition of “lottery machine.” The bill would further amend the definition of “lottery machine” to specify that lottery ticket vending machines are not considered lottery machines. Games on lottery machines are prohibited under law that would remain unchanged by the bill (KSA 2016 Supp. 74-8710).

The bill would also create a definition for “lottery ticket vending machine” as follows:

● “Lottery ticket vending machine” means a machine or similar electronic device owned or leased by the Kansas Lottery, the sole purposes of which are to:
  ○ Dispense a printed physical ticket, such as a lottery ticket, a keno ticket, a pull tab ticket, or

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an instant bingo ticket, or a coupon, the
coupon of which must be redeemed through
something other than a lottery ticket vending
machine, after a purchaser inserts cash or
other form of consideration into the machine;

- Allow purchasers to manually check the
  winning status of a Kansas Lottery ticket; and
- Display advertising, promotions, and other
  information pertaining to the Kansas Lottery.

Lottery ticket vending machines shall not:

- Provide a visual or audio representation of an
electronic gaming machine;
- Visually or functionally have the same
  characteristics of an electronic gaming machine;
- Automatically determine or display the winning
  status of any dispensed ticket;
- Extend or arrange credit for the purchase of a
  ticket;
- Dispense any winnings;
- Dispense any prize or dispense any evidence of a
  prize other than the lottery ticket, keno ticket, pull
  tab ticket, or instant bingo ticket, or any free
  Kansas Lottery ticket received as a result of the
  purchase of another Kansas Lottery ticket;
- Provide free games or any other item that can be
  redeemed for cash; or
- Dispense any other form of a prize to a purchaser.

Further, the bill would allow lottery ticket vending
machines to dispense only the printed physical lottery ticket,
keno ticket, pull tab ticket, or instant bingo ticket, including
any free Kansas Lottery ticket received as a result of the purchase of another Kansas Lottery ticket, and change from a purchase to the purchaser. Any winnings from a lottery ticket vending machine shall be redeemed only for cash or check by a lottery retailer or by cash, check, or other prize from the office of the Kansas Lottery.

Underage Purchasing of Lottery Tickets

The bill would add a new requirement to the law providing any lottery ticket or share of a ticket purchased by an individual under the age of 18 would be null and void and could not be redeemed for a prize.

Lottery Sunset Provision

The bill would repeal the sunset provision for the Kansas Lottery. Under current law, the Kansas Lottery will be abolished on July 1, 2022.

Background

The bill was introduced in the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs at the request of the Kansas Lottery. In the House Committee hearing, the Director and Executive Director of the Kansas Lottery and representatives of the Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association (PMCA) of Kansas and HyVee, Inc., appeared in support of the bill. Written-only proponent testimony was provided by Boyd Gaming Corporation; Consentino’s Food Stores; Murphy USA, Inc.; QuikTrip Corporation; Johnson’s General Stores; and QuikTrip Corporation, Kansas City Division. No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee amended the bill by adding a provision concerning underage purchasing of lottery tickets and adopting a technical amendment.
According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Kansas Lottery indicates the use of lottery ticket vending machines at lottery retailer locations has the potential to increase sales by improving product availability and efficiently delivering lottery products to its customers. The Kansas Lottery indicates 38 other lottery jurisdictions in the United States use lottery ticket vending machines and this method of dispensing lottery products to customers is often requested by lottery retailers. The Kansas Lottery indicates allowing lottery ticket vending machines is estimated to increase the Kansas Lottery’s year end transfer to the State General Fund (SGF) by $4.0 million in FY 2018 and by $8.0 million in FY 2019. The Kansas Lottery is unable to estimate the additional expenses for this program because it has not determined the most cost-efficient method to acquire lottery ticket vending machines and to place them at lottery retailer locations. In other lottery jurisdictions, lottery ticket vending machines have been purchased, leased, or acquired from a revenue-sharing agreement.

The Kansas Lottery also indicates eliminating the sunset provision would have no fiscal effect unless the sunset provision takes effect on July 1, 2022. The sunset date for the operation of the Kansas Lottery was created by the 1992 Legislature to occur on July 1, 1996, and was extended by the 1995 Legislature (until July 1, 2002), the 2001 Legislature (until July 1, 2008), and the 2007 Legislature (until July 1, 2022). The Kansas Lottery indicates if it were to be abolished on July 1, 2022, sales of online lottery games would end July 1, 2021, and instant lottery ticket sales would end January 1, 2022, to allow the required time for lottery players to redeem winning tickets. Proceeds from lottery tickets sales support economic development initiatives, prison construction and maintenance projects, local juvenile detention facilities, treatment of problem gambling and other addictions, veterans programs, and the SGF. On behalf of the State, the Kansas Lottery is also the owner of gaming operations at the four State-owned casinos and contractual obligations with Expanded Lottery Gaming Facility managers extend past the current sunset date. Proceeds from State-owned gaming
operations are used to reduce state debt, reduce KPERS actuarial liability, increase the number of engineering graduates from the state’s universities, and treat problem gambling and other addictions.

The Kansas Lottery further indicates that by eliminating the sunset date, the bill has the potential to reduce costs by allowing it to negotiate longer-term contracts with vendors. The Kansas Lottery states its vendors make significant financial investments to provide services and products to the Kansas Lottery. The sunset date may occur prior to expiration of the contract between the Kansas Lottery and its vendors or before the vendor has recovered initial upfront investments, which creates uncertainty in the contract negotiating process. Eliminating the sunset date would eliminate this uncertainty. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in The FY 2018 Governor’s Budget Report.