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Amends GS 18C-103 to (1) include a definition of *lottery supplier* and (2) amend the definition of *lottery contractor* to include the requirement that goods or services are provided on an ongoing basis. Also deletes the definition of *vendor* or *lottery vendor* and replaces it with *potential contractor*; makes conforming substitutions in GS 18C-114(a) (Commission powers and duties), GS 18C-151 (Contracts), GS 18C-152 (Investigation of lottery potential contractors), and GS 18C-151(c) (background investigations before a contract is awarded). Amends GS 18C-113 to allow only a lottery winner's name, city and state of residence, game played, amount won, and date won to be public record. Amends GS 18C-120(b) to allow the director, under the North Carolina Lottery Commission's (Commission) supervision, to conduct a background check on lottery potential contractors (was, lottery contractors) and to examine the background of potential contractors (was, vendors and contractors).

Amends GS 18C-132(h) to require any prize or portion remaining unpaid at the winner's death to be paid to the winner's estate, to a trustee of a trust established by the winner, or as designated in the winner's will (was, payment of any prize may be paid to the estate of a deceased prizewinner). Amends GS 18C-164(a) to provide that unclaimed prizes are not revenue. Amends GS 18C-134(b) to automatically enroll a claimant agency in the Commission's debt set-off program if it is enrolled in the Department of Revenue's debt set-off program and to require the Department of Revenue to provide the Commission with periodic updates to its debt set-off program. Amends GS 18C-134(e) to include the Department of Revenue as an organization that may exchange lottery information. Amends GS 18C-141(a) to make documents compiled by the director while investigating lottery retailers confidential.

Amends GS 18C-142 to pay lottery retailers 7% of the face value of the tickets (was, 7% of the retail price). Amends GS 18C-162(a)(4) to allow no more than 7% of the face value of tickets or share (was, of the total annual revenues) to be allocated for compensation paid to retailers. Amends GS 18C-151(a) to not require a competitive bid for contracts for the purchase of services, apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment requiring an estimated expenditure of \$90,000 or more before a contract may be awarded by the Commission when: (1) performance or price competition for a product are not available, (2) a needed product is available from only one source of supply, or (3) standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration. Amends GS 18C-151(f) to prohibit lottery system contractors and potential contractors (was, vendor or any applicant for a contract) from making payments or gifts to the director, members and employees of the corporation, and members of their families.

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