

1 AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 226 of the Constitution of Kentucky  
2 relating to casino gaming.

3 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

4 ➔Section 1. It is proposed that Section 226 of the Constitution of Kentucky be  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (1) The General Assembly may establish a Kentucky state lottery and may establish  
7 a state lottery to be conducted in cooperation with other states. Any lottery so established  
8 shall be operated by or on behalf of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

9 (2) The General Assembly may by general law permit charitable lotteries and  
10 charitable gift enterprises and, if it does so, it shall:

11 (a) Define what constitutes a charity or charitable organization;

12 (b) Define the types of charitable lotteries and charitable gift enterprises which may  
13 be engaged in;

14 (c) Set standards for the conduct of charitable lotteries and charitable gift  
15 enterprises by charitable organizations;

16 (d) Provide for means of accounting for the amount of money raised by lotteries and  
17 gift enterprises and for assuring its expenditure only for charitable purposes;

18 (e) Provide suitable penalties for violation of statutes relating to charitable lotteries  
19 and charitable gift enterprises; and

20 (f) Pass whatever other general laws the General Assembly deems necessary to  
21 assure the proper functioning, honesty, and integrity of charitable lotteries and charitable  
22 gift enterprises, and the charitable purposes for which the funds are expended.

23 (3) ***The General Assembly may by general law define and permit casino gaming***  
24 ***and, if it does so:***

25 ***(a) Shall provide for the oversight and control of casino gaming by an***  
26 ***administrative body funded by license fees and taxes levied on casino gaming;***

27 ***(b) Shall, prior to the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2029, allocate one hundred***

1 percent of the proceeds generated from licensing fees and taxation of casinos and  
2 casino gaming in excess of the amount required by paragraph (a) of this subsection to  
3 the Kentucky Employees Retirement System nonhazardous pension fund, the Kentucky  
4 Employees Retirement System hazardous pension fund, and the Kentucky Teachers'  
5 Retirement System pension fund in amounts the General Assembly determines best  
6 meet the needs of the respective funds at that time; and

7 (c) May, in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2029, and thereafter, allocate all  
8 proceeds generated from licensing fees and taxation of casinos and casino gaming in  
9 excess of the amount required by paragraph (a) of this subsection.

10 (4) Except as provided in this section, lotteries and gift enterprises are forbidden,  
11 and no privileges shall be granted for such purposes, and none shall be exercised, and no  
12 schemes for similar purposes shall be allowed. The General Assembly shall enforce this  
13 section by proper penalties. All lottery privileges or charters heretofore granted are  
14 revoked.

15 ➔Section 2. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the  
16 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided  
17 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution and under KRS 118.415.