SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 80

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES HOSKINS (Sponsor), LARGENT AND DAY (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing section 39(b) of article III of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the state lottery.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next

- following the first Monday in November, 2012, or at a special election to be called by the
- 3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for
- 4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article III of the Constitution of the state of
- 5 Missouri:

Section A. Section 39(b), article III, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 39(b), to read as follows:

Section 39(b). 1. The general assembly shall have authority to authorize a Missouri state lottery by law. If such legislation is adopted, there shall be created a "State Lottery

- 3 Commission" consisting of five members who shall be appointed by the governor with the advice
- 4 and consent of the senate and who may be removed, for cause by the governor and who shall be 5 chosen from the state at large and represent a broad geographic spectrum with no more than one
- member chosen from each federal congressional district. Each member at the time of his **or her**
- 7 appointment and qualification shall have been a resident of this state for a period of at least five
- 8 years next preceding his **or her** appointment and qualification and shall also be a qualified
- 9 elector therein and be not less than thirty years of age. No more than three members of the
- 10 commission shall be members of the same political party. Members of the commission shall
- 11 have three-year terms as provided by law. Members of the commission shall receive no salary

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but shall receive their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their responsibilities. The commission shall employ such persons as provided by law. The commission shall have the authority to join other states and jurisdictions for the purpose of conducting joint lottery games.

- 2. The money received by the Missouri State lottery commission from the sale of Missouri lottery tickets, and from all other sources, shall be deposited in the "State Lottery Fund", which is hereby created in the state treasury. No later than July 1, 2013, the state lottery commission shall develop and begin selling a "Veterans Lottery Ticket", and all net proceeds received from the sales of such tickets shall be deposited solely in the veterans' commission capital improvements trust fund, as provided by law.
- 3. [The] Except as provided in subsection 2 of section 39(b), the monies received from the Missouri state lottery shall be governed by appropriation of the general assembly. Beginning July 1, 1993, monies representing net proceeds after payment of prizes and administrative expenses shall be transferred by appropriation to the "Lottery Proceeds Fund" which is hereby created within the state treasury and such monies in the lottery proceeds fund shall be appropriated solely for public institutions of elementary, secondary and higher education.
- 4. A minimum of forty-five percent of the money received from the sale of Missouri state lottery tickets shall be awarded as prizes.
- 5. The commission shall have the authority to purchase and hold title to any securities of the United States government or its agencies and instrumentalities thereof for prizes, as provided by law.
- 6. Until July 1, 1993, any person possessing a department of revenue retail sales license as provided by law or any chartered civic, fraternal, charitable or political organization or labor organization shall be eligible to obtain a license to act as a lottery ticket sales agent except a license to act as an agent to sell lottery tickets shall not be issued to any person primarily engaged in business as a lottery ticket sales agent. Until July 1, 1993, the general assembly may impose additional qualifications on such persons to obtain a lottery ticket sales agent license as it deems appropriate. Until July 1, 1993, the commission is also authorized to sell lottery tickets at its office and at special events as provided by law. Beginning July 1, 1993, the general assembly shall enact laws governing lottery ticket sales.
- 7. Revenues produced from the conduct of a state lottery shall not be part of "total state revenues" as defined in sections 17 and 18 of article X of this constitution and the expenditure of such revenue shall not be an "expense of state government" under section 20 of article X of this constitution.

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