

AN ACT concerning State government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Illinois Lottery Law is amended by adding
Section 10.8 as follows:

(20 ILCS 1605/10.8 new)

Sec. 10.8. Specialty retailers license.

(a) "Veterans service organization" means an organization
that:

(1) is formed by and for United States military
veterans;

(2) is chartered by the United States Congress and
incorporated in the State of Illinois;

(3) maintains a state headquarters office in the State
of Illinois; and

(4) is not funded by the State of Illinois or by any
county in this State.

(b) The Division shall establish a special classification
of retailer license to facilitate the year-round sale of the
instant scratch-off lottery game established by the General
Assembly in Section 21.6. The fees set forth in Section 10.2 do
not apply to a specialty retailer license.

The holder of a specialty retailer license (i) shall be a

veterans service organization, (ii) may sell only specialty lottery tickets established for the benefit of the Veterans Assistance Fund in the State treasury, (iii) is required to purchase those tickets up front at face value from the Illinois Lottery, and (iv) must sell those tickets at face value. Specialty retailers may obtain a refund from the Division for any unsold specialty tickets that they have purchased for resale, as set forth in the specialty retailer agreement.

Specialty retailers shall receive a sales commission equal to 2% of the face value of specialty game tickets purchased from the Department, less adjustments for unsold tickets returned to the Illinois Lottery for credit. Specialty retailers may not cash winning tickets, but are entitled to a 1% bonus in connection with the sale of a winning specialty game ticket having a price value of \$1,000 or more.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.