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**S. 169**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

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Summary: Debit Cards used for Lottery Purchase

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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 1/14/2025 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal‑page 105)

 1/14/2025 Senate Referred to Committee on **Education** (Senate Journal‑page 105)

 2/12/2025 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Education** (Senate Journal‑page 5)

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Committee Report

February 12, 2025

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The committee on Senate Education

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 169) to amend the South Carolina Code of Laws by amending Section 59‑150‑70, relating to temporary regulations, initial availability of tickets, and alternate use for, etc., respectfully

Report:

That they have duly and carefully considered the same, and recommend that the same do pass with amendment:

 Amend the bill, as and if amended, by deleting SECTION 2.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

GREG HEMBREE for Committee.

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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59‑150‑70, RELATING TO TEMPORARY REGULATIONS, INITIAL AVAILABILITY OF TICKETS, AND ALTERNATE USE FOR NONWINNING TICKETS, SO AS TO PROHIBIT LOTTERY SALES BY CHECKS, CREDIT CARDS, CHARGE CARDS, OR OTHER FORM OF DEFERRED PAYMENT; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 59‑150‑210, RELATING TO SALES RESTRICTIONS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT ALL LOTTERY SALES MUST BE MADE IN PERSON AT LICENSED LOTTERY RETAILERS OR LOCATIONS APPROVED BY THE LOTTERY COMMISSION AND FURTHER PROHIBITING THE USE OF LOTTERY COURIER SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 59‑150‑70(D)(2) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

 (D)(2) sale price of lottery game tickets or shares and the manner of sale except that all sales must be for cash only. Payment by checks, credit cards, charge cards, or other form of deferred payment and payment by debit card are prohibited;

SECTION 2. Chapter 150, Title 59 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

 Section 59‑150‑210(G). All lottery sales must be made in person at licensed lottery retailers or locations approved by the Lottery Commission. Lottery courier services are prohibited.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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