

**IN RE:**

**DECLARATORY RULING  
BY THE SOUTH DAKOTA  
LOTTERY COMMISSION**

**RULING 94-2  
NEW COMMISSIONER ORIENTATION  
MACHINES THAT SIMULATE CARD OR OTHER  
SDCL 42-7A-17; 18; AND 19**

**PURPOSE:** The South Dakota Lottery Commission is entrusted with the major responsibilities of establishing policy, promulgating rules and regulations, approving the budget, and consulting with the executive director to ensure the secure and efficient operation of the South Dakota Lottery. The legislature also placed in the power of the Commission the approval of all major lottery contracts and procurements. The Lottery Commission oversees one of the most closely scrutinized agencies in state government. It is responsible for maximizing revenues of the number two source of state general fund revenues. The Lottery Commission meets once a month. Lottery Commission members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. No member may be appointed to more than two consecutive three year terms. Each year, as terms expire, a minimum of two new commissioners will be appointed to the seven member Lottery Commission.

**POLICY RULING:** Each member appointed to the Lottery Commission accepts a major responsibility and commitment to ensure the continued secure and efficient operation of the South Dakota Lottery. Incumbent in that responsibility is gaining a working knowledge of the policies, rules, and operations of the Lottery for which they oversee. Therefore, the Lottery Commission directs that each new Lottery Commissioner attend a one day orientation conducted by the Lottery staff in Pierre. The Executive Director is responsible for arranging a time for new commissioners to attend and preparing information to provide a thorough and informative overview of all aspects of the Lottery operations, policies, and regulatory requirements. The orientation must be scheduled and attended no later than the new commissioner's second Lottery Commission meeting.

**DATED THIS 1ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1994.**

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**ELAINE EMERY, CHAIRMAN  
SOUTH DAKOTA LOTTERY COMMISSION**

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