

# State of Wisconsin



2025 Assembly Bill 572

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## 2025 WISCONSIN ACT

AN ACT to amend 563.03 (1m) of the statutes; relating to: the definition of bingo.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** 563.03 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

563.03 (1m) "Bingo" means a game of chance in which players pay a consideration in order to participate, in which 75 numbered objects are available for selection, and those objects actually selected are selected on a random basis, and in which each player participates by means of cards sold, rented or used only at the time and place of the game, each card containing 5 rows of 5 spaces each, each space printed with a number from 1 to 75,

except the central space, which is marked "FREE". Winners are determined and prizes awarded on the basis of possessing a bingo card on which some combination of numbers are printed and conform to the numbered objects selected at random based on a predetermined winning arrangement. "Bingo" as used in this chapter ~~shall not mean any~~ does not include a game using free cards and donated prizes, if any, for which no payment of consideration is made by participants, regardless of whether the host or sponsor of the game pays consideration to another person in exchange for the prizes, supplies, equipment, or logistical support for the game.

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\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."