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SC INFORMATION LETTER #87-5

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DATE: August 20, 1987

SUBJECT: Changes in Bingo License Statutes

REFERENCE: S.C. Code Sections 12-21-2590 and 12-21-2600

AUTHORITY: S.C. Code Section 12-3-140

SCOPE: An Information Letter is a temporary document issued for the purpose of disseminating general tax information and to respond to technical questions from within the Commission which are not related to a specific set of facts.

The legislature has made significant changes to the bingo statutes, effective September 1, 1987 (See Attached).

An Attorney General's Opinion dated August 20, 1987 provides the following guidelines:

1. Organizations presently holding Class "A" or Class "B" bingo licenses that do not expire until after September 1, 1987 are not required to obtain new licenses. Bingo may be conducted under such licenses after September 1, 1987, however, subject to the limitations imposed by the 1987 Act.
2. Bingo games authorized under the Class "A" or Class "B" licenses cannot after September 1, 1987 exceed the limitations imposed by the 1987 Act. No other license can be issued the holder of a Class "A" or Class "B" licenses until the expiration date of the present license.