

**609.755 GAMBLING; MISDEMEANOR.**

Whoever does any of the following is guilty of a misdemeanor:

- (1) makes a bet;
- (2) sells or transfers a chance to participate in a lottery;
- (3) disseminates information about a lottery, except a lottery conducted by an adjoining state, with intent to encourage participation therein;
- (4) permits a structure or location owned or occupied by the actor or under the actor's control to be used as a gambling place; or
- (5) except where authorized by statute, possesses a gambling device.

Clause (5) does not prohibit possession of a gambling device in a person's dwelling for amusement purposes in a manner that does not afford players an opportunity to obtain anything of value.

**History:** 1963 c 753 art 1 s 609.755; 1971 c 23 s 76; 1986 c 444; 1991 c 336 art 2 s 47; 1994 c 633 art 4 s 10