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A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lotteries; amending s. 24.115, F.S.; requiring the Department of the Lottery to place lottery prizes in an escrow account for 1 year under certain circumstances; requiring the appropriate state agency and the judicial branch to notify the department of specified criminal convictions; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Subsections (5) and (6) are added to section 24.115, Florida Statutes, to read:
 - 24.115 Payment of prizes.-
- (5) The department shall place the prize of a person who has been convicted of sexual battery, lewd acts, or other sexual misconduct described in chapter 800, s. 794.011, s. 827.071, s. 847.012, s. 847.0125, s. 847.013, s. 847.0133, or s. 847.0145 in an escrow account for 1 year subject to the resolution of claims filed by the victims of such acts that were committed by the prize winner.
- (6) It is the responsibility of the appropriate state agency and of the judicial branch to identify to the department, in the form and format prescribed by the department, a person who has been convicted of sexual battery, lewd acts, or other sexual misconduct as described in subsection (5), or a person owing an outstanding debt as described in subsection (4).
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.