CALIFORNIA CODES
GOVERNMENT CODE
SECTION 8880-8880.5

8880. Citation of Chapter
   This Chapter shall be known and may be cited as the California State Lottery Act of 1984.

8880.1. Purpose and Intent
   The People of the State of California declare that the purpose of this Act is support for
   preservation of the rights, liberties and welfare of the people by providing additional
   monies to benefit education without the imposition of additional or increased taxes.
   The People of the State of California further declare that it is their intent that the net
   revenues of the California State Lottery shall not be used as substitute funds but rather
   shall supplement the total amount of money allocated for public education in California.

8880.2. Activities Not Affected
   Except for the state-operated lottery established by this Chapter, nothing in this Chapter
   shall be construed to repeal or modify existing State law with respect to the prohibition of
   casino gambling, punch boards, slot machines, dog racing, video poker or blackjack
   machines paying prizes, or any other forms of gambling.

8880.3. Prohibition on Use of State Funds
   No appropriations, loans, or other transfer of State funds shall be made to the California
   State Lottery Commission except for a temporary line of credit for initial start-up costs as
   provided in this Act.

8880.4. Revenues of the State lottery shall be allocated as follows:
   (a) Not less than 84 percent of the total annual revenues from the sale of state lottery
   tickets or shares shall be returned to the public in the form of prizes and net revenues to
   benefit public education.
   (1) Fifty percent of the total annual revenues shall be returned to the public in the form
   of prizes as described in this chapter.
   (2) At least 34 percent of the total annual revenues shall be allocated to the benefit of
   public education, as specified in Section 8880.5. However, for the 1998-99 fiscal year
   and each fiscal year thereafter, 50 percent of any increase in the amount calculated
   pursuant to this paragraph from the amount calculated in the 1997-98 fiscal year shall be
   allocated to school districts and community college districts for the purchase of
   instructional materials, on the basis of an equal amount per unit of average daily
   attendance, as defined by law, and through a fair and equitable distribution system across
   grade levels.
(3) All unclaimed prize money shall revert to the benefit of public education, as provided for in subdivision (e) of Section 8880.32.

(4) All of the interest earned upon funds held in the State Lottery Fund shall be allocated to the benefit of public education, as specified in Section 8880.5. This interest is in addition to, and shall not be considered as any part of, the 34 percent of the total annual revenues that is required to be allocated for the benefit of public education as specified in paragraph (2).

(5) No more than 16 percent of the total annual revenues shall be allocated for payment of expenses of the lottery as described in this chapter. To the extent that expenses of the lottery are less than 16 percent of the total annual revenues, any surplus funds also shall be allocated to the benefit of public education, as specified in this section or in Section 8880.5.

(b) Funds allocated for the benefit of public education pursuant to subdivision (a) are in addition to other funds appropriated or required under existing constitutional reservations for educational purposes. No program shall have the amount appropriated to support that program reduced as a result of funds allocated pursuant to subdivision (a). Funds allocated for the benefit of public education pursuant to subdivision (a) shall not supplant funds committed for child development programs.

(c) None of the following shall be considered revenues for the purposes of this section:

(1) Revenues recorded as a result of a nonmonetary exchange. "Nonmonetary exchange" means a reciprocal transfer, in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles, between the lottery and another entity that results in the lottery acquiring assets or services and the lottery providing assets or services.

(2) Reimbursements received by the lottery for the cost of goods or services provided by the lottery that are less than or equal to the cost of the same goods or services provided by the lottery.

(d) Reimbursements received in excess of the cost of the same goods and services provided by the lottery, as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (c), are not a part of the 34 percent of total annual revenues required to be allocated for the benefit of public education, as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a). However, this amount shall be allocated for the benefit of public education as specified in Section 8880.5.

8880.5. Allocations for education:

The California State Lottery Education Fund is created within the State Treasury, and is continuously appropriated for carrying out the purposes of this chapter. The Controller shall draw warrants on this fund and distribute them quarterly in the following manner, provided that the payments specified in subdivisions (a) to (g), inclusive, shall be equal per capita amounts.

(a) Payments shall be made directly to public school districts, including county superintendents of schools, serving kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, or any part thereof, on the basis of an equal amount for each unit of average daily attendance, as defined by law and adjusted pursuant to subdivision (l).

(b) Payments shall also be made directly to public school districts serving community colleges, on the basis of an equal amount for each unit of average daily attendance, as defined by law.
(c) Payments shall also be made directly to the Board of Trustees of the California State University on the basis of an amount for each unit of equivalent full-time enrollment. Funds received by the trustees shall be deposited in and expended from the California State University Lottery Education Fund, which is hereby created or, at the discretion of the trustees, deposited in local trust accounts in accordance with subdivision (j) of Section 89721 of the Education Code.

(d) Payments shall also be made directly to the Regents of the University of California on the basis of an amount for each unit of equivalent full-time enrollment.

(e) Payments shall also be made directly to the Board of Directors of the Hastings College of the Law on the basis of an amount for each unit of equivalent full-time enrollment.

(f) Payments shall also be made directly to the Department of the Youth Authority for educational programs serving kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, or any part thereof, on the basis of an equal amount for each unit of average daily attendance, as defined by law.

(g) Payments shall also be made directly to the two California Schools for the Deaf, the California School for the Blind, and the three Diagnostic Schools for Neurologically Handicapped Children, on the basis of an amount for each unit of equivalent full-time enrollment.

(h) Payments shall also be made directly to the State Department of Developmental Services and the State Department of Mental Health for clients with developmental or mental disabilities who are enrolled in state hospital education programs, including developmental centers, on the basis of an equal amount for each unit of average daily attendance, as defined by law.

(i) No Budget Act or other statutory provision shall direct that payments for public education made pursuant to this chapter be used for purposes and programs (including workload adjustments and maintenance of the level of service) authorized by Chapters 498, 565, and 1302 of the Statutes of 1983, Chapter 97 or 258 of the Statutes of 1984, or Chapter 1 of the Statutes of the 1983-84 Second Extraordinary Session.

(j) School districts and other agencies receiving funds distributed pursuant to this chapter may at their option utilize funds allocated by this chapter to provide additional funds for those purposes and programs prescribed by subdivision (i) for the purpose of enrichment or expansion.

(k) As a condition of receiving any moneys pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b), each district and county superintendent of schools shall establish a separate account for the receipt and expenditure of those moneys, which account shall be clearly identified as a lottery education account.

(l) Commencing with the 1998-99 fiscal year, and each year thereafter, for the purposes of subdivision (a), average daily attendance shall be increased by the statewide average rate of excused absences for the 1996-97 fiscal year as determined pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 855 of the Statutes of 1997. The statewide average excused absence rate, and the corresponding adjustment factor required for the operation of this subdivision, shall be certified to the State Controller by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(m) It is the intent of this chapter that all funds allocated from the California State Lottery Education Fund shall be used exclusively for the education of pupils and students
and no funds shall be spent for acquisition of real property, construction of facilities, financing of research, or any other noninstructional purpose.

Additional sections to the Lottery Act of 1984 may be obtained from the California Law website at http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html under Government Code 8880.