

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 523

By Miller

A RESOLUTION to urge the Multi-State Lottery Association to study the feasibility of allowing member states to share in lottery winnings.

WHEREAS, the Multi-State Lottery Association (MUSL) is a nonprofit, government-benefit association owned and operated by its member lotteries; and

WHEREAS, each MUSL member offers one or more of the games administered by MUSL, which include Powerball®, Mega Millions®, Hot Lotto®, Wildcard®, 2 by 2®, MegaHits, and All or Nothing; and

WHEREAS, all profits received from the games are retained by the individual lotteries and are used to fund projects approved by the legislature authorizing each lottery; and

WHEREAS, after the recent record-breaking Powerball® jackpot of \$1.6 billion dollars split amongst three winners in Tennessee, California, and Florida, it is important that each state is able to share in the profits of the winnings; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the Multi-State Lottery Association is urged to conduct a comprehensive study of the member states that participate in the association and study the various ways in which each member state can receive and share in the lottery winnings to benefit education and other state funded initiatives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the executive director of the Multi-State Lottery Association.