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Type of Rulemaking Authority: (mark one)

Chapter 14: ☒ Permanent (full process) ☐ Exempt Permanent ☐ Expedited Permanent

Game & fish laws: ☐ Exempt Permanent Fisheries ☐ Expedited Emergency Game and Fish

Rule title: Introduction of House Rule Requirements for Raffle Merchandise Prizes that Include Firearms, Alcohol, or THC.

Chapter number(s): Minnesota Rules Chapter 7861

Describe the need for the rule and provide background information: Minnesota Rules require licensed organizations to include visible “house rules”. Certain house rules are required under Minnesota Rules but organizations are free to add their own house rules as long they don’t come into conflict with existing Minnesota Statutes and Rules.

Currently, Minnesota Rules allow for organizations to use merchandise prizes in an assortment of ways. The GCB has seen instances of certain sensitive materials like firearms, alcohol, and THC products. In the past, the GCB has seen instances of winners of these sensitive merchandise prizes be ineligible to possess them as a matter of law. In such instances, the GCB and the organizations have struggled to navigate this situation without some controversy.

The proposed rule change would mandate that organizations who choose to conduct lawfully gambling events with these types of sensitive merchandise prizes include in their house rules their policy regarding merchandise prize eligibility.

Agency impact: Agency would have internal clarity on how to handle situations involving sensitive merchandise prizes whereby standardizing the expectations for the agency and licensed organizations.

If Exempt or Expedited rulemaking process is being used, please explain why:

N/A

Rulemaking authority and other relevant statutes:

Authority to adopt the rules: Minn. Stat. § 349.151, Subd. 13.

Authority to adopt the rules using expedited or exempt process: N/A

Fiscal impact for agency:

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Undetermined
