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### **Huge Powerball Jackpot and First Drawing of new Hot Lotto Game Tonight**

TOPEKA, KAN. – The Kansas Lottery wishes all of its players good luck tonight! As lottery drawing nights go, it's going to be a thriller! Players have a chance to win or share a \$360 million [Powerball](#) jackpot. The cash option on the jackpot is an estimated \$229.2 million. To win the jackpot, players must match all numbers. In addition to the jackpot, there are eight other ways to win non-jackpot prizes, which could be as much as \$2 million if the ticket includes Power Play.

If you win the \$6.16 million [Hot Lotto](#) jackpot tonight, you'll be thrilled with your big win and also thrilled to discover that:

- You'll be paid 100% in cash.
- Initial withholding taxes will be paid on your jackpot.
- You will receive the entire advertised jackpot amount.

Changes in the Hot Lotto game are being rolled out for the first time with tonight's drawing. In addition to the jackpot changes, the game will offer bigger prizes, including:

Match 5 – Did pay \$10,000; now pays \$30,000 (\$90,000 with Sizzler)

Match 4 + 1 – Did pay \$500; now pays \$3,000 (\$9,000 with Sizzler)

“These changes in Hot Lotto mean much larger payouts for second and third prizes,” said Kansas Lottery Director Dennis Taylor. “And for the lucky person who does hit the jackpot, having the taxes paid is going to be a real joy.”

The price for Hot Lotto stays the same at \$1 per play, with the Sizzler option available for an additional \$1. Sizzler multiplies all prizes won (except for the jackpot) by three.

Players have until 8:59 p.m. to purchase tickets for tonight's drawings. The Kansas Lottery reminds players to play responsibly, and to always sign the back of their tickets!