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A LEGEND RETURNS!

(AUSTIN) – Starting today, Texas Lottery® players will find the *Lotto Texas*® game they know and love has returned! It’s “goodbye” to the bonus ball, and “hello” to picking a straight set of six numbers from a field of 54.

“No more bonus ball,” said Acting Executive Director Anthony J. Sadberry. “Along with the play style that’s a favorite among our players, the odds of winning the jackpot are better, too.”

Players win the jackpot by matching all six numbers from a *Lotto Texas* drawing held every Wednesday and Saturday night. The odds of winning the jackpot are 1 in 25.8 million. Other prizes for matching the numbers drawn include:

- Matching 5 of 6 numbers – estimated \$2,000
- Matching 4 of 6 numbers – estimated \$50
- Matching 3 of 6 numbers – guaranteed \$3

The overall odds of winning any prize are 1 in 71. All prizes are based on a pari-mutuel prize payout, except the guaranteed \$3 prize.

“Returning to the old play style distinguishes our *Lotto Texas* game from our other jackpot-driven games,” said Sadberry. “Since the *Lotto Texas* game started in 1992, there have been nearly 500 jackpot tickets sold across the state and nearly \$4.9 billion paid out to our players.”

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Wednesday's *Lotto Texas* jackpot is worth \$33 million.

For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official Texas Lottery Commission Web site at <http://www.txlottery.org>

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*Lotto Texas Prize Expense thru March 31, 2006 totaled 4,884,036,015