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THREE OHIO LOTTERY COMMISSION EMPLOYEES INDICTED IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY FOR THEFT IN OFFICE
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A joint investigation conducted by the Office of the Ohio Inspector General and the Ohio State Highway Patrol has resulted in criminal charges being filed against three Ohio Lottery Commission employees who made unauthorized sales of scrap metal and wooden pallets from a lottery warehouse. The investigation identified 56 instances where Ohio Lottery Commission employees Scott Kronik, Walter Liszniansky, and Jeffrey Chapman loaded materials from the lottery warehouse into a lottery-owned truck and personal vehicles and sold those materials to a scrap yard or pallet company. Proceeds from the sales were divided between the three employees.

The three employees were indicted by a Cuyahoga Grand Jury for one count of Theft in Office, a felony of the fourth degree.

The report of investigation detailing the findings of the investigation also contains three recommendations to be addressed by the Ohio Lottery Commission.

Ohio Inspector General Report of Investigation file number 2017-CA00027 is now available at:
<http://watchdog.ohio.gov/investigations/2017investigations.aspx>

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