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By: **Senators Pugh, Conway, Ferguson, and McFadden** Introduced and read first time: February 18, 2011 Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Baltimore City – Video Lottery Terminals – Proceeds and Equipment

3 FOR the purpose of altering the distribution of proceeds from video lottery terminals to the video lottery operation licensee in Baltimore City under certain 4 $\mathbf{5}$ circumstances; clarifying that certain requirements regarding minority business 6 participation and employment apply to the ownership and operation of video 7lottery terminals by a video lottery operation licensee in Baltimore City; 8 authorizing the video lottery operation licensee in Baltimore City to own or 9 lease each video lottery terminal device and the associated equipment and software used in the video lottery facility; and generally relating to video lottery 10 gaming in Baltimore City. 11

- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 13 Article State Government
- 14 Section 9–1A–10(a)(1), 9–1A–21, and 9–1A–27(a)
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)
- 17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article – State Government

20 9–1A–10.

(a) (1) For the construction and procurement related to the operation of
 video lottery terminals, INCLUDING THE OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF VIDEO
 LOTTERY TERMINALS BY A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE IN
 BALTIMORE CITY UNDER § 9–1A–21(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE, the applicant or
 licensee shall at a minimum meet the same requirements of a designated unit for

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 minority business participation as described under Title 14, Subtitle 3 of the State2 Finance and Procurement Article.

3 9–1A–21.

4 (a) [Each] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, 5 EACH video lottery terminal device, the central monitor and control system, and the 6 associated equipment and software shall be:

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- (1) owned or leased by the Commission; and
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- (2) under the control of the Commission.

9 (B) THE LICENSEE ISSUED THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE IN 10 BALTIMORE CITY MAY OWN OR LEASE EACH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL DEVICE 11 AND THE ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE USED IN THE VIDEO 12 LOTTERY FACILITY IN BALTIMORE CITY.

13 [(b)](C) Subject to the Commission's ability to cancel or alter the contract 14 in the event one or more eligible applicants for a video lottery facility fail to obtain a 15 license, the Commission shall contract with one or more licensed manufacturers for 16 the lease or purchase of the video lottery terminals, central monitor and control 17 system, and associated equipment and software authorized under this subtitle.

[(c)](D) (1) The Commission shall adopt regulations governing the sale
 or lease of video lottery terminals by the Commission OR BY A VIDEO LOTTERY
 OPERATION LICENSEE IN BALTIMORE CITY under this subtitle.

(2) The Commission may adopt regulations to provide incentives to
 licensed manufacturers based on the performance of the manufacturers' video lottery
 terminals.

[(d)](E) The Commission shall establish a process enabling a licensee and
the Commission to select video lottery terminals from a list approved by the
Commission, subject to available funds, for use in the licensee's video lottery facility.

27 9–1A–27.

(a) On a properly approved transmittal prepared by the Commission, the
 Comptroller shall pay the following amounts from the proceeds of video lottery
 terminals at each video lottery facility:

31 (1) 2% to the State Lottery Agency for costs as defined in § 9–1A–01 of
32 this subtitle;

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1 (2) except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, to the video 2 lottery operation licensee, the percentage stated in the accepted application for the 3 location, not to exceed [33%]:

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(I) SUBJECT TO ITEM (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, 33%; OR

5 (II) 50% FOR THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE IN 6 BALTIMORE CITY, IF THE LICENSEE CHOOSES TO OWN OR LEASE EACH VIDEO 7 LOTTERY TERMINAL DEVICE AND THE ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE 8 USED IN THE VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY UNDER § 9–1A–21(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE;

9 (3) 5.5% in local impact grants, in accordance with § 9–1A–31 of this 10 subtitle;

(4) 7% to the Purse Dedication Account established under § 9–1A–28
of this subtitle, not to exceed a total of \$100,000,000 to the Account annually;

13 (5) (i) except as provided in item (ii) of this item, for the first 8 14 years of operations at a video lottery facility, 2.5% to the Racetrack Facility Renewal 15 Account established under § 9–1A–29 of this subtitle, not to exceed a total of 16 \$40,000,000 to the Account annually;

(ii) for the first 5 years of operations at a video lottery facility in
Allegany County, 2.5% to the video lottery operation licensee that satisfies the
requirement under subsection (b) of this section;

20 (6) 1.5% to the Small, Minority, and Women–Owned Businesses 21 Account established under § 9–1A–35 of this subtitle; and

(7) the remainder to the Education Trust Fund established under §
 9-1A-30 of this subtitle.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 25 October 1, 2011.