## **HOUSE BILL 1115**

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# By: Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)

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Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER

#### 1 AN ACT concerning

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### Gaming – Video Lottery Employee – Temporary License

- 3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to issue 4 a temporary video lottery employee license to an applicant for a video lottery 5 employee license under certain circumstances; requiring that the applicant make 6 certain acknowledgements in writing; providing that the temporary license may not 7 be issued to certain applicants; providing that the temporary license expires after a 8 certain number of days; authorizing the Commission to extend the temporary license 9 for a certain number of days; authorizing the Commission to terminate the 10 temporary license without a hearing under certain circumstances; requiring an 11 applicant to surrender a certain temporary license identification and cease certain 12 work if the application for a certain license is denied; and generally relating to the issuance of video lottery employee licenses. 13
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 15 Article State Government
- 16 Section 9–1A–14(a)
- Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2014 Replacement Volume)
- 19 BY adding to
- 20 Article State Government
- 21 Section 9–1A–14(d)

#### EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 2	Annotated Code of Maryland (2014 Replacement Volume)
3 4	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
5	Article - State Government
6	9–1A–14.
7 8 9 10	(a) Unless an individual holds a valid video lottery employee license OR TEMPORARY VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE issued by the Commission, the individual may not be employed by a video lottery operation licensee as a video lottery employee.
11 12 13	(D) (1) THE COMMISSION MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE THAT AUTHORIZES AN APPLICANT TO BE EMPLOYED AS A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE.
14	(2) THE COMMISSION:
15	(I) MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT WHO:
16 17	1. FILES A COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE; AND
18 19 20 21	2. ACKNOWLEDGES, IN WRITING, THAT THE STATE IS NOT FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY CONSEQUENCES RESULTING FROM TERMINATION OF THE TEMPORARY LICENSE UNDER PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION; AND
22 23	(II) MAY NOT ISSUE A TEMPORARY LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT WHO:
24 25 26 27	1. HAS AN IMMEDIATELY KNOWN PRESENT OR PRIOR ACTIVITY, CRIMINAL RECORD, REPUTATION, HABIT, OR ASSOCIATION THAT WOULD DISQUALIFY THE APPLICANT FROM HOLDING A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; OR
28 29	2. POSES A SERIOUS IMMINENT RISK OF HARM TO THE INTEGRITY, SECURITY, OR PROFITABILITY OF THE STATE'S GAMING PROGRAM.

**(3) (I)** A TEMPORARY LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION 31 EXPIRES 180 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ISSUE.

1 2	(II) THE COMMISSION MAY EXTEND A TEMPORARY LICENSE FOR AN ADDITIONAL 180 DAYS.
3 4 5	(4) NOTWITHSTANDING § 9–1A–04(A)(3) OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE COMMISSION MAY TERMINATE WITHOUT A HEARING THE TEMPORARY LICENSE OF AN APPLICANT FOR:
6	(I) FAILURE TO PAY A REQUIRED FEE;
7 8	(II) FAILURE TO SUBMIT REQUIRED INFORMATION TO THE COMMISSION;
9 10	(III) FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE COMMISSION'S STAFF REQUESTS;
11 12 13	(IV) ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT OBSTRUCTS THE COMMISSION FROM COMPLETING THE APPLICANT'S BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION; OR
14 15	(V) ANY OTHER REASON ESTABLISHED IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION.
16 17 18 19 20 21 22	(5) IF THE COMMISSION DENIES THE APPLICATION FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE OF AN APPLICANT WHO HAS BEEN ISSUED A TEMPORARY LICENSE, THE APPLICANT IMMEDIATELY SHALL SURRENDER THE APPLICANT'S TEMPORARY LICENSE IDENTIFICATION TO THE COMMISSION AND CEASE WORKING AS A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE.  SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October July 1, 2015.
	Approved:
	Governor.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.