## **SENATE BILL 45**

By: **Senator Patterson** Requested: October 13, 2020

Introduced and read first time: January 13, 2021

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

|                       | A BILL ENTITLED   |
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| 1                     | AN ACT concerning   |
| 2 3                   | State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency – Gaming Study – Use of Gaming Proceeds   |
| 4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>8 | FOR the purpose of requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to conduct a certain study; requiring the Agency to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a study by the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency. |
| 9<br>10               | SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:   |
| 11                    | (a) The State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency shall study:  |
| 12<br>13              | (1) the distribution and use of local impact grants distributed under Title 9, Subtitle 1A of the State Government Article, including:  |
| 14<br>15              | (i) identifying the type of games that generate the revenue for the local impact grants; and  |
| 16<br>17<br>18        | (ii) determining whether local impact grants are being utilized as intended under State law or the multiyear plan required under § 9–1A–31(d) of the State Government Article;  |
| 19<br>20              | (2) the use of the Problem Gambling Fund established under $\S$ 9–1A–33 of the State Government Article, including:   |
| 21                    | (i) an accounting of all revenue distributed to the Fund;   |
| 22                    | (ii) the location and accessibility of any service centers established  |

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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| 1              | with money from the Fund; and  |
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| 2              | (iii) the effectiveness of the Fund in deterring problem gambling; and   |
| 3<br>4<br>5    | (3) the use of video lottery proceeds distributed to the Small, Minority, and Women–Owned Business Account established under § 5–1501 of the Economic Development Article, including:  |
| 6<br>7         | (i) an accounting of the use of any video lottery proceeds distributed to the Account;   |
| 8              | (ii) the current fund balance of the Account and amount of unused fund balance for any prior fiscal year;  |
| 10             | (iii) an analysis of the amounts awarded from the Account by location and racial classification; and   |
| 12<br>13       | (iv) a comparison of the procedures the Account uses to lend money to the procedures a bank uses to lend money.  |
| 14<br>15<br>16 | (b) On or before December 1, 2021, the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency shall report its findings to the Governor and, in accordance with $\S~2-1257$ of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.  |
| 17<br>18<br>19 | SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2021. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2022, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no |