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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Distribution of Lottery Proceeds - Compulsive Gambling Treatment**
3 **Programs**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Lottery Agency to distribute a certain amount
5 of proceeds from the State Lottery to certain compulsive gambling treatment
6 programs in the State; requiring that the lottery proceeds be allocated for
7 certain purposes in certain amounts; requiring the State Lottery Agency to
8 adopt regulations to govern the eligibility of compulsive gambling programs to
9 receive funds, set standards for program staff and professional services
10 rendered by compulsive gambling programs, set the eligibility requirements for
11 individuals who seek compulsive gambling services, set and assess certain fees,
12 and exercise any other power necessary to carry out this Act; and generally
13 relating to the distribution of lottery proceeds to compulsive gambling treatment
14 programs in the State.

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article - State Government
17 Section 9-120
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

20 BY adding to
21 Article - State Government
22 Section 9-120.2
23 Annotated Code of Maryland
24 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

25 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
26 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article - State Government

2 9-120.

3 (a) The Comptroller shall distribute the State Lottery Fund to pay:

4 (1) on a pro rata basis for the daily and nondaily State lottery games, the
5 expenses of administering and operating the State lottery, as authorized under this
6 subtitle and the State budget; and7 (2) then, except as provided in § 10-113.1 of the Family Law Article and
8 Article 27, § 810 of the Code, the holder of each winning ticket or share.

9 (b) (1) Promptly after the 1st day of each month, the Comptroller shall pay:

10 (i) into the Maryland Stadium Facilities Fund the money that
11 remains in the State Lottery Fund from the proceeds of the sports lotteries conducted
12 for the benefit of the Maryland Stadium Authority, after the distribution under
13 subsection (a) of this section; [and]14 (II) SUBJECT TO § 9-120.2 OF THIS SUBTITLE, TO COMPULSIVE
15 GAMBLING TREATMENT PROGRAMS IN THE STATE, AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF
16 \$450,000 FROM THE MONEY THAT REMAINS IN THE STATE LOTTERY FUND FROM THE
17 PROCEEDS OF ALL OTHER LOTTERIES AFTER THE DISTRIBUTION UNDER
18 SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION; AND19 [(ii)] (III) into the General Fund of the State the money that
20 remains in the State Lottery Fund from the proceeds of all other lotteries after the
21 [distribution under subsection (a)] DISTRIBUTIONS UNDER SUBSECTIONS (A) AND
22 (B)(1)(II) of this section.23 (2) The money paid into the General Fund under this subsection is
24 available in the fiscal year in which the money accumulates in the State Lottery
25 Fund.26 (c) The regulations of the Agency shall apportion the money in the State
27 Lottery Fund.

28 9-120.2.

29 (A) THE AMOUNT OF \$450,000 IN PROCEEDS TO WHICH COMPULSIVE
30 GAMBLING TREATMENT PROGRAMS IN THE STATE ARE ENTITLED UNDER THE
31 DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT IN § 9-120(B)(1)(II) OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE
32 ALLOCATED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:33 (1) FOR RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES WITH FAMILY
34 TREATMENT AND AFTERCARE SERVICES, \$200,000 PER FACILITY;

35 (2) FOR OUTPATIENT CARE, \$100,000;

36 (3) FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A 24-HOUR HOTLINE, \$100,000; AND

1 (4) FOR RESEARCH AND PREVENTION SERVICES, \$50,000.

2 (B) THE AGENCY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO:

3 (1) GOVERN THE ELIGIBILITY OF COMPULSIVE GAMBLING PROGRAMS
4 TO RECEIVE FUNDS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

5 (2) SET STANDARDS FOR PROGRAM STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL
6 SERVICES RENDERED BY COMPULSIVE GAMBLING PROGRAMS;

7 (3) SET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO SEEK
8 COMPULSIVE GAMBLING SERVICES;

9 (4) SET AND ASSESS REASONABLE FEES FOR COMPULSIVE GAMBLING
10 SERVICES WHILE PROVIDING THAT AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT BE DENIED A SERVICE
11 BECAUSE OF AN INABILITY TO PAY THE FEE; AND

12 (5) EXERCISE ANY OTHER POWER NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THIS
13 SECTION.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 1998.