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By: **Senators Dyson and Dorman**

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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.