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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Lottery Proceeds - Problem Gambling Council of Maryland**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a special fund created for the distribution of certain
 4 State lottery proceeds each fiscal year to the Problem Gambling Council of
 5 Maryland; requiring that the proceeds be used only to ~~pay certain operating~~
 6 ~~expenses~~ provide a grant for certain programs for Maryland residents; requiring
 7 a certain report; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating
 8 to the State lottery and the Problem Gambling Council of Maryland.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 10 Article - State Government
 11 Section 9-120
 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
 13 (2004 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article - State Government**

17 9-120.

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

19 (1) on a pro rata basis for the daily and nondaily State lottery games, the
 20 expenses of administering and operating the State lottery, as authorized under this
 21 subtitle and the State budget; and

1 (2) then, except as provided in § 10-113.1 of the Family Law Article and
2 § 11-618 of the Criminal Procedure Article, the holder of each winning ticket or share.

3 (b) (1) [Promptly] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
4 SUBSECTION, PROMPTLY after the 1st day of each month, the Comptroller shall pay:

5 (i) into the Maryland Stadium Facilities Fund the money that
6 remains in the State Lottery Fund from the proceeds of the sports lotteries conducted
7 for the benefit of the Maryland Stadium Authority, after the distribution under
8 subsection (a) of this section; and

9 (ii) into the General Fund of the State the money that remains in
10 the State Lottery Fund from the proceeds of all other lotteries after the distribution
11 under subsection (a) of this section.

12 (2) (I) FROM MONEY THAT REMAINS IN THE STATE LOTTERY FUND
13 AFTER THE DISTRIBUTION UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE
14 COMPTROLLER EACH FISCAL YEAR SHALL DISTRIBUTE \$100,000 TO A SPECIAL FUND.

15 (II) THE SPECIAL FUND SHALL BE USED ONLY TO PROVIDE A
16 GRANT TO THE PROBLEM GAMBLING COUNCIL OF MARYLAND TO PAY OPERATING
17 EXPENSES FOR PROGRAMS FOR MARYLAND RESIDENTS DEDICATED TO REDUCING
18 PROBLEM GAMBLING THROUGH RESEARCH, EDUCATION, CRISIS INTERVENTION,
19 AND SUPPORT SERVICES.

20 (III) THE PROBLEM GAMBLING COUNCIL OF MARYLAND SHALL
21 REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND HOUSE WAYS AND
22 MEANS COMMITTEE ON THE USE OF THE GRANT ESTABLISHED UNDER
23 SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, INCLUDING:

24 1. EFFORTS TO REDUCE PROBLEM GAMBLING IN
25 MARYLAND;

26 2. THE TYPES OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO PROBLEM
27 GAMBLERS; AND

28 3. THE NUMBER OF PROBLEM GAMBLERS THAT RECEIVED
29 SERVICES.

30 [(2)] (3) The money paid into the General Fund under this subsection is
31 available in the fiscal year in which the money accumulates in the State Lottery
32 Fund.

33 (c) The regulations of the Agency shall apportion the money in the State
34 Lottery Fund.

35 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
36 October 1, 2005. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of
37 September 30, 2007, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this
38 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

