

# SENATE BILL 536

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By: **Senators Klausmeier, Colburn, Hooper, Kelley, and Stone**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Lottery – Compulsive Gambling Grants**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a special fund to provide grants to address the  
4 problem of compulsive gambling in the State; requiring that the Secretary of  
5 Health and Mental Hygiene issue certain grants to address the problem of  
6 compulsive gambling in the State; establishing the purpose of a certain pilot  
7 project; specifying the use of certain funds for certain services; providing for the  
8 termination of this Act; and generally relating to the State lottery and  
9 compulsive gambling in the State.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
11 Article – State Government  
12 Section 9–120  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
16 Article – Health – General  
17 Section 19–803 and 19–804  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

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



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

3 **Article – State Government**

4 9–120.

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

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

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

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

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

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

21 **(2) FROM MONEY THAT REMAINS IN THE STATE LOTTERY FUND**  
22 **AFTER THE DISTRIBUTION UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE**  
23 **COMPTROLLER EACH FISCAL YEAR SHALL DISTRIBUTE ~~\$100,000~~ \$250,000 TO A**  
24 **SPECIAL FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING GRANTS TO ADDRESS THE**  
25 **PROBLEM OF COMPULSIVE GAMBLING IN THE STATE.**

26 [(2)] **(3)** The money paid into the General Fund under this subsection  
27 is available in the fiscal year in which the money accumulates in the State Lottery  
28 Fund.

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



1           (b) Services under this subtitle shall be provided by public agencies or, under  
2 contract, by nonprofit organizations.

3           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
4 October 1, 2007. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of  
5 September 30, 2009, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act  
6 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.