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By: **Delegate G. Clagett** Introduced and read first time: October 29, 2007 Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Public School Construction – Funding – Video Lottery Terminals

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Lottery Commission to regulate the operation 4 of certain video lottery terminals at certain horse racetracks in the State; 5 requiring the Governor to appoint a member of the State Racing Commission as 6 a liaison to the State Lottery Commission; altering the membership of the State 7 Lottery Commission; specifying certain requirements for members of the State 8 Lottery Commission; requiring the Governor to appoint a member of the State 9 Lottery Commission as a liaison to the State Racing Commission; providing that 10 members of the State Lottery Commission may be compensated as provided in 11 the State budget; authorizing the operation of video lottery terminals connected to a certain central computer that allows the State Lottery Commission to 12 monitor a video lottery terminal and that has certain capabilities; prohibiting 13 14 access to the central computer to certain licensees with a certain exception; 15providing that only a person with a certain video lottery operation license may 16 offer a video lottery terminal for public use in the State; providing that this Act 17is statewide and exclusive in its effect and that certain laws do not apply to 18 video lottery terminals authorized under this Act; authorizing the State Lottery 19 Commission to conduct certain investigations and hearings; requiring the State 20Lottery Commission to adopt certain regulations; authorizing the State Lottery 21Commission to require a certain bond and collect certain fees, civil penalties, 22and taxes; authorizing the State Lottery Commission to inspect and seize 23certain equipment, financial information, and records without notice or $\mathbf{24}$ warrant; authorizing the State Lottery Commission to issue a certain number of video lottery operation licenses under certain circumstances; requiring certain 25video lottery terminal manufacturers, video lottery operators, video lottery 2627employees, and other individuals as determined by the State Lottery 28Commission to be licensed; providing for the application and licensing process; 29establishing certain eligibility criteria and disqualifying criteria for a video 30 lottery operation license; requiring certain video lottery operation licensees to 31maintain certain numbers of live racing days; providing that the license of

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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certain video lottery operation licensees may be revoked if a certain horse racing 1 event or trade names and other items related to the event are transferred $\mathbf{2}$ 3 outside the State; requiring a certain licensee to conduct a certain annual race 4 with certain exceptions; requiring certain video lottery operation licensees to $\mathbf{5}$ submit to the State Lottery Commission a certain plan to improve the quality 6 and marketing of horse racing; requiring certain video lottery operation 7 licensees to offer for sale a certain percentage of equity ownership to certain 8 individuals under certain circumstances; requiring certain applicants and 9 licensees to comply with certain provisions of law relating to minority business 10 participation; specifying that certain collective bargaining agreements do not 11 negate certain provisions of this Act; providing for the monitoring of certain provisions of this Act by the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs; providing for 1213certain eligibility criteria and disqualifying criteria for certain licenses; providing for certain waivers of certain licensing requirements under certain 14 circumstances; providing for certain license terms; stating the intent of the 15General Assembly relating to video lottery operation licenses; prohibiting a 16 17video lottery operation license from being transferred or pledged as collateral; 18 prohibiting certain licensees from selling or otherwise transferring more than a certain percentage of the legal or beneficial interest unless certain conditions 19 20 are met; requiring that the transfer of a certain interest in a person that holds a video lottery operation license be approved by the State Lottery Commission; 21requiring the Department of State Police to conduct certain background 2223investigations in a certain manner; requiring the State Lottery Commission to $\mathbf{24}$ buy or lease the video lottery terminals, associated equipment, and central computer authorized under this Act; specifying limits on the number of video 25lottery terminals allowed at certain facilities; providing the minimum payout for 2627video lottery terminals and authorizing the State Lottery Commission to adopt certain video lottery terminal payouts; providing for the hours of operation of 2829 video lottery terminals; prohibiting the State Lottery Commission from issuing 30 certain licenses under certain circumstances; prohibiting a video lottery 31operation licensee from offering food or beverages at no cost with a certain 32exception or from offering food and beverages below certain prices; requiring the 33 State Lottery Commission to adopt certain regulations to reduce or mitigate the effects of problem gambling; authorizing the State Lottery Commission to 34reprimand a licensee or deny, suspend, or revoke certain licenses under certain 35 36 circumstances: requiring the Comptroller to collect and distribute certain money 37 in specified ways; establishing the Public School Construction Fund; requiring certain distributions from video lottery proceeds to the Public School 38 39 Construction Fund to be used for a certain purpose; establishing a Purse Dedication Fund under the authority of the State Racing Commission; providing 40 for a certain distribution from video lottery proceeds to the Purse Dedication 41 Fund for horse racing; providing for certain distributions from the Purse 42Dedication Fund for horse racing in a certain manner; authorizing the State to 43pay certain transportation costs; requiring the Department of Transportation to 44 facilitate certain negotiations; requiring a certain transportation plan to be 45developed by certain counties; providing for the creation of certain local 46 47development councils; providing for appointment and membership of certain local development councils; requiring certain counties to develop certain plans 48

to be reviewed by certain local development councils; specifying that certain 1 $\mathbf{2}$ local development grants should be used for certain purposes; authorizing 3 certain fees and providing for a certain distribution from certain fees to the 4 Compulsive Gambling Fund; creating a Compulsive Gambling Fund in the 5 Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; providing for certain disbursements 6 from the Compulsive Gambling Fund for certain purposes; expanding the types 7 of funds that a certain fire, rescue, and ambulance special fund may receive; exempting a certain procurement by the State Lottery Commission from certain 8 9 provisions of law; requiring the State Lottery Commission to make a certain annual report by a certain date; requiring the Department of Transportation to 10 conduct a certain study and make a certain report by a certain date; requiring a 11 certain certification entity to conduct certain studies and make certain reports: 1213making the provisions of this Act severable; providing for the staggering of the terms of certain new members of the State Lottery Commission; defining certain 14 terms; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; providing 15that certain provisions of this Act are contingent on the termination of another 16 Act; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act; and 1718 generally relating to the operation of video lottery terminals at certain locations 19 in the State.

- 20 BY adding to
- 21 Article Business Regulation
- 22 Section 11–202(g)
- 23 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 24 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
- 25 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 26 Article State Government
- 27 Section 9–105 and 9–108(d)
- 28 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 29 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
- 30 BY adding to
- 31 Article State Government
- Section 9–1A–01 through 9–1A–33 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 1A.
 Video Lottery Terminals"
- 34 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 35 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
- 36 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 37 Article Public Safety
- 38 Section 8–102
- 39 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 40 (2003 Volume and 2007 Supplement)
- 41 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 42 Article State Finance and Procurement
- 43 Section 11–203(a)(1)(xvi) and (xvii) and (b)(3)

$egin{array}{c} 1 \ 2 \end{array}$	Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
3 4 5 6 7	BY adding to Article – State Finance and Procurement Section 11–203(a)(1)(xviii) Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – State Finance and Procurement Section 11–203(b)(2) Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
13	(As enacted by Chapter 402 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003)
14 15 16 17 18 19	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Public Safety Section 8–102(d) Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Volume and 2007 Supplement) (As enacted by Chapter 497 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007)
$\begin{array}{c} 20\\ 21 \end{array}$	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
22	Article – Business Regulation
23	11–202.
24 25 26	(G) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT ONE MEMBER OF THE Commission to serve as a liaison to the State Lottery Commission established under Title 9 of the State Government Article.
27	Article – State Government
28	9–105.
29 30	(a) The Commission consists of [5] NINE members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.
$\begin{array}{c} 31\\ 32 \end{array}$	(b) (1) [Each] AT THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT, EACH member of the Commission [must be a resident and citizen of the State.] SHALL BE:
33	(I) AT LEAST 25 YEARS OLD;

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1 (II) A RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO HAS RESIDED IN THE $\mathbf{2}$ STATE FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS; 3 (III) A QUALIFIED VOTER OF THE STATE; AND 4 (IV) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS NOT BEEN CONVICTED OF OR $\mathbf{5}$ GRANTED PROBATION BEFORE JUDGMENT FOR A SERIOUS CRIME OR A CRIME 6 THAT INVOLVES MORAL TURPITUDE OR GAMBLING. 7 (2) A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION MAY NOT: 8 **(I)** HAVE A DIRECT OR INDIRECT FINANCIAL INTEREST IN 9 **VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS;** 10 **(II)** HAVE AN OFFICIAL RELATIONSHIP TO A PERSON WHO HOLDS A LICENSE UNDER SUBTITLE 1A OF THIS TITLE; OR 11 12 (III) HOLD ANY STOCKS, BONDS, OR OTHER FINANCIAL 13 INTEREST IN A PERSON HOLDING A LICENSE UNDER SUBTITLE 1A OF THIS 14 TITLE. 15NO MORE THAN SIX MEMBERS MAY BE OF THE SAME (3) 16 POLITICAL PARTY. (4) 17THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION SHALL REFLECT THE 18 GEOGRAPHIC, RACIAL, AND GENDER MAKEUP OF THE STATE. 19 **(C) THE COMMISSION SHALL INCLUDE:** 20 (1) **ONE MEMBER WITH EXPERIENCE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT;** 21**(2)** ONE MEMBER WITH EXPERIENCE IN A FIELD RELATING TO 22FINANCE OR INVESTMENTS; 23(3) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT; AND 24(4) ONE MEMBER WITH EXPERIENCE IN A FIELD OF INFORMATION 25TECHNOLOGY. 26 [(c)] (D) (1)The term of a member is 4 years. 27The terms of members are staggered [as required by the terms (2)28provided for members of the Commission on October 1, 1984].

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$rac{1}{2}$	(3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
$\frac{3}{4}$	(4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
5 6	[(d)] (E) (1) Subject to the hearing requirements of this subsection, the Governor may remove a member for cause.
7 8	(2) Before the Governor removes a member, the Governor shall give the member notice and an opportunity for a public hearing.
9 10 11	(F) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT ONE MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION TO SERVE AS A LIAISON TO THE STATE RACING COMMISSION ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 11 OF THE BUSINESS REGULATION ARTICLE.
12	9–108.
13	(d) As provided in the State budget, a member of the Commission:
$\begin{array}{c} 14 \\ 15 \end{array}$	(1) may receive compensation [as payment for attendance at Commission meetings or other lottery functions in the amount of:
16 17	(i) \$125 per meeting attended, not to exceed \$1,500 annually for a Commission member who is not the chairman; and
18 19	(ii) $$165$ per meeting attended, not to exceed $$2,000$ annually for the Commission chairman]; and
$\begin{array}{c} 20\\ 21 \end{array}$	(2) is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of the duties as a member.
22	SUBTITLE 1A. VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS.
23	9–1A–01.
$\begin{array}{c} 24 \\ 25 \end{array}$	(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
26 27	(B) "APPLICANT" MEANS A PERSON WHO APPLIES FOR ANY LICENSE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.
28 29 30	(C) "ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT" MEANS HARDWARE LOCATED ON THE LICENSEE'S PREMISES THAT IS CONNECTED TO THE VIDEO LOTTERY SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF PERFORMING COMMUNICATION, VALIDATION, OR OTHER

1FUNCTIONS, BUT NOT INCLUDING THE COMMUNICATION FACILITIES OF A2REGULATED UTILITY OR THE VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS.

3 (D) "AVERAGE ANNUAL PAYOUT PERCENTAGE" MEANS THE AVERAGE
 4 ANNUAL PERCENTAGE OF MONEY USED BY PLAYERS TO PLAY A VIDEO LOTTERY
 5 TERMINAL THAT IS RETURNED TO PLAYERS OF THAT VIDEO LOTTERY
 6 TERMINAL.

7 (E) "BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION" MEANS A SECURITY, CRIMINAL,
8 AND CREDIT INVESTIGATION OF A PERSON WHO APPLIES FOR OR WHO IS
9 GRANTED A LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

10 (F) "CAREER OFFENDER" MEANS A PERSON WHOSE BEHAVIOR IS 11 PURSUED IN AN OCCUPATIONAL MANNER OR CONTEXT FOR THE PURPOSE OF 12 ECONOMIC GAIN AND WHO UTILIZES METHODS THAT ARE DEEMED BY THE 13 COMMISSION AS CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS INIMICAL TO THE INTEREST OF THE 14 STATE.

15(G) "CAREER OFFENDER CARTEL" MEANS A GROUP OF PERSONS WHO16OPERATE TOGETHER AS CAREER OFFENDERS.

17 (H) "CENTRAL COMPUTER" MEANS A CENTRAL SITE COMPUTER
 18 PROVIDED TO AND CONTROLLED BY THE COMMISSION TO WHICH VIDEO
 19 LOTTERY TERMINALS COMMUNICATE FOR PURPOSES OF:

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(1) INFORMATION RETRIEVAL;

21(2) RETRIEVAL OF THE WIN AND LOSS DETERMINATION FROM22VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS; AND

23(3) PROGRAMS TO ACTIVATE AND DISABLE VIDEO LOTTERY24TERMINALS.

25 (I) "COMMISSION" MEANS THE STATE LOTTERY COMMISSION.

26 (J) "CONTROL" MEANS THE AUTHORITY TO DIRECT THE MANAGEMENT 27 AND POLICIES OF AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE.

(K) "COSTS" MEANS, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES, THE
 EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE COMMISSION IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS
 SUBTITLE, INCLUDING:

1 (1) THE COSTS OF LEASING OR THE CAPITALIZED COST OF 2 PURCHASING THE VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, AND 3 CENTRAL COMPUTER;

4 (2) THE COSTS TO REPAIR AND MAINTAIN THE VIDEO LOTTERY 5 TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, AND CENTRAL COMPUTER TO THE 6 EXTENT THESE COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE COSTS OF LEASING OR 7 PURCHASING THE VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, AND 8 CENTRAL COMPUTER;

9 (3) THE COSTS OF TESTING AND EXAMINATION OF VIDEO 10 LOTTERY TERMINALS; AND

11(4) THE COSTS OF PERFORMING BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS12AND OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES.

13 "FAMILY" MEANS SPOUSE, PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, CHILDREN, (L) 14 UNCLES, GRANDCHILDREN, SIBLINGS, AUNTS, NEPHEWS, NIECES, 15FATHERS-IN-LAW, MOTHERS-IN-LAW, DAUGHTERS-IN-LAW, SONS-IN-LAW, 16 BROTHERS-IN-LAW, AND SISTERS-IN-LAW, WHETHER BY WHOLE BLOOD OR 17HALF BLOOD, BY MARRIAGE, ADOPTION, OR NATURAL RELATIONSHIP.

18 (M) "LICENSE" MEANS, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES, A
 19 LICENSE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

20 (N) "LICENSEE" MEANS AN APPLICANT WHO HAS BEEN ISSUED A 21 LICENSE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

22 (O) "MANUFACTURER" MEANS A PERSON:

(1) THAT IS ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF DESIGNING,
BUILDING, CONSTRUCTING, ASSEMBLING, MANUFACTURING, OR DISTRIBUTING
A CENTRAL COMPUTER, A CENTRAL COMPUTER SOFTWARE SYSTEM, VIDEO
LOTTERY TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, THE ELECTRONIC COMPUTER
COMPONENTS OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, THE RANDOM NUMBER
GENERATOR OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, OR THE CABINET IN WHICH A
VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL IS HOUSED;

30(2)THAT PRODUCES A PRODUCT THAT IS INTENDED FOR SALE,31LEASE, OR OTHER ASSIGNMENT TO THE COMMISSION OR A LICENSEE; AND

32 (3) THAT CONTRACTS WITH THE COMMISSION OR A LICENSEE
 33 FOR THE SALE, LEASE, OR OTHER ASSIGNMENT.

1 (P) "OWN" MEANS HAVING A BENEFICIAL OR PROPRIETARY INTEREST 2 OF AT LEAST 10% IN THE PROPERTY OR BUSINESS OF AN APPLICANT OR 3 LICENSEE.

4 (Q) "PLAYER" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO PLAYS A VIDEO LOTTERY 5 TERMINAL AT A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY LICENSED BY THE COMMISSION.

6 (R) "PROCEEDS" MEANS THE PART OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY BET
7 THROUGH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS THAT IS NOT RETURNED TO SUCCESSFUL
8 PLAYERS BUT IS OTHERWISE ALLOCATED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

9 (S) "PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT" MEANS A PRIZE THAT INCREASES AS ONE 10 OR MORE VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS ARE CONNECTED TO A PROGRESSIVE 11 JACKPOT SYSTEM.

12 (T) "PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT SYSTEM" MEANS THE CAPABILITY OF THE 13 CENTRAL COMPUTER TO LINK ONE OR MORE VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS IN 14 ONE OR MORE LICENSED FACILITIES AND TO OFFER ONE OR MORE COMMON 15 PROGRESSIVE JACKPOTS.

16 (U) "VIDEO LOTTERY" MEANS GAMING OR BETTING CONDUCTED USING 17 A VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL.

18 (V) "VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE" MEANS AN EMPLOYEE OF A PERSON
 19 WHO HOLDS A LICENSE.

20(W) "VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY" MEANS A FACILITY AT WHICH PLAYERS21PLAY VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(X) "VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE" MEANS A LICENSE ISSUED
 TO A HORSE RACETRACK THAT ALLOWS PLAYERS TO OPERATE VIDEO LOTTERY
 TERMINALS.

(Y) (1) "VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL" MEANS ANY MACHINE OR
OTHER DEVICE THAT, ON INSERTION OF A BILL, COIN, TOKEN, VOUCHER,
TICKET, COUPON, OR SIMILAR ITEM, OR ON PAYMENT OF ANY CONSIDERATION:

(I) IS AVAILABLE TO PLAY OR SIMULATE THE PLAY OF ANY
GAME OF CHANCE IN WHICH THE RESULTS, INCLUDING THE OPTIONS
AVAILABLE TO THE PLAYER, ARE RANDOMLY AND IMMEDIATELY DETERMINED
BY THE MACHINE OR OTHER DEVICE; AND

32(II) BY THE ELEMENT OF CHANCE, MAY DELIVER OR33ENTITLE THE PLAYER WHO OPERATES THE MACHINE OR DEVICE TO RECEIVE

1 CASH, PREMIUMS, MERCHANDISE, TOKENS, OR ANYTHING OF VALUE, WHETHER $\mathbf{2}$ THE PAYOUT IS MADE AUTOMATICALLY FROM THE DEVICE OR IN ANY OTHER 3 MANNER. 4 (2) "VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL" INCLUDES A MACHINE OR $\mathbf{5}$ **DEVICE:** 6 **(I)** THAT DOES NOT DIRECTLY DISPENSE MONEY, TOKENS, $\mathbf{7}$ OR ANYTHING OF VALUE TO WINNING PLAYERS; AND 8 **(II)** DESCRIBED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS 9 SUBSECTION THAT USES AN ELECTRONIC CREDIT SYSTEM MAKING THE DEPOSIT 10 OF BILLS, COINS, OR TOKENS UNNECESSARY. 11 "VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL" DOES NOT INCLUDE AN (3) 12AUTHORIZED SLOT MACHINE OPERATED BY AN ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATION UNDER 13 TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 3 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE. 14 9-1A-02. 15(A) THIS SUBTITLE IS STATEWIDE AND EXCLUSIVE IN ITS EFFECT. 16 **(B)** THE COMMISSION SHALL REGULATE THE OPERATION OF VIDEO 17LOTTERY TERMINALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE. 18 **(C)** (1) THIS SUBTITLE AUTHORIZES THE OPERATION OF VIDEO 19 LOTTERY TERMINALS CONNECTED TO A CENTRAL COMPUTER THAT ALLOWS 20THE COMMISSION TO MONITOR A VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL. 21(2) THE COMMISSION SHALL PROVIDE AND OPERATE A SINGLE 22CENTRAL COMPUTER INTO WHICH ALL LICENSED VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS 23**MUST BE CONNECTED.** 24(3) THE CENTRAL COMPUTER SHALL BE CAPABLE OF: 25**(I)** CONFORMING TO THE PROTOCOLS OF THE VIDEO 26LOTTERY TERMINALS LEASED OR PURCHASED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER 27THIS SUBTITLE: 28(II) CONTINUOUSLY MONITORING, **RETRIEVING**, AND 29 AUDITING THE OPERATIONS, FINANCIAL DATA, AND PROGRAM INFORMATION OF ALL VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS; 30

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1 (III) ALLOWING THE COMMISSION TO ACCOUNT FOR ALL 2 MONEY INSERTED IN AND PAYOUTS MADE FROM ANY VIDEO LOTTERY 3 TERMINAL;

4 (IV) DISABLING FROM OPERATION OR PLAY ANY VIDEO
5 LOTTERY TERMINAL AS THE COMMISSION DEEMS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT
6 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

7(V) SUPPORTING A PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT SYSTEM8CAPABLE OF OPERATING ONE OR MORE PROGRESSIVE JACKPOTS.

9 (4) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS 10 PARAGRAPH, THE COMMISSION MAY NOT ALLOW A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION 11 LICENSEE TO HAVE ACCESS TO THE CENTRAL COMPUTER SYSTEM OR 12 INFORMATION FROM THE CENTRAL COMPUTER SYSTEM.

(II) PROVIDED THE ACCESS DOES NOT IN ANY WAY AFFECT
THE INTEGRITY OR SECURITY OF THE CENTRAL COMPUTER SYSTEM, THE
COMMISSION MAY ALLOW A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE TO HAVE
ACCESS TO INFORMATION FROM THE CENTRAL COMPUTER THAT ALLOWS THE
LICENSEE TO OPERATE A PLAYER TRACKING SYSTEM OR OBTAIN OTHER
INFORMATION PERTINENT TO THE LEGITIMATE OPERATION OF A VIDEO
LOTTERY FACILITY.

(D) ONLY A PERSON WITH A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE
ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION MAY OFFER A VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL FOR
PUBLIC USE IN THE STATE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

23 **9–1A–03.**

(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, ANY
 ADDITIONAL FORMS OR EXPANSION OF COMMERCIAL GAMING OTHER THAN AS
 EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE ARE PROHIBITED.

(B) THIS SUBTITLE, INCLUDING THE AUTHORITY PROVIDED TO THE
 COMMISSION UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, DOES NOT APPLY TO:

29 (1) LOTTERIES CONDUCTED UNDER SUBTITLE 1 OF THIS TITLE;

30(2)WAGERING ON HORSE RACING CONDUCTED UNDER TITLE 1131OF THE BUSINESS REGULATION ARTICLE;

32 (3) THE OPERATION OF SLOT MACHINES AS PROVIDED UNDER
 33 TITLES 12 AND 13 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE; OR

1 (4) OTHER GAMING CONDUCTED UNDER TITLES 12 AND 13 OF 2 THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.

3 **9–1A–04.**

4 (A) THE COMMISSION SHALL:

5 (1) HEAR AND DECIDE, PROMPTLY AND IN REASONABLE ORDER,
6 LICENSE APPLICATIONS AND CAUSES AFFECTING THE GRANTING, SUSPENSION,
7 REVOCATION, OR RENEWAL OF LICENSES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

8 (2) AFTER A HEARING, SUSPEND OR REVOKE AS APPLICABLE THE 9 LICENSE OF A LICENSEE WHO HAS A LICENSE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED IN 10 ANOTHER STATE;

11(3)CONDUCT HEARINGS CONCERNING CIVIL VIOLATIONS OF THIS12SUBTITLE OR REGULATIONS ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

13(4)COLLECT APPLICATION, LICENSE, AND OTHER FEES TO COVER14THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THIS SUBTITLE RELATING TO LICENSING;

15 (5) DEPOSIT APPLICATION, LICENSE, AND OTHER FEES TO A BANK
 ACCOUNT THAT THE STATE TREASURER DESIGNATES TO THE CREDIT OF THE
 17 STATE LOTTERY FUND TO COVER THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THIS
 18 SUBTITLE RELATING TO LICENSING;

19 (6) LEVY AND COLLECT CIVIL PENALTIES FOR CIVIL VIOLATIONS
 20 OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE OR REGULATIONS ISSUED UNDER THIS
 21 SUBTITLE;

22(7) BE PRESENT AT A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION THROUGH ITS 23EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AT ANY TIME DURING THE OPERATION OF ANY VIDEO 24LOTTERY TERMINAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF CERTIFYING REVENUE FROM THE 25VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, RECEIVING COMPLAINTS FROM THE PUBLIC, AND 26CONDUCTING ANY OTHER INVESTIGATION INTO THE OPERATION OF THE VIDEO 27LOTTERY TERMINALS AND THE MAINTENANCE OF THE VIDEO LOTTERY 28TERMINALS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT AS THE COMMISSION MAY DEEM 29 **NECESSARY AND PROPER; AND**

30 (8) REVIEW AND RULE ON ANY COMPLAINT BY A LICENSEE
 31 REGARDING ANY INVESTIGATIVE PROCEDURES OF THE COMMISSION THAT ARE
 32 UNNECESSARILY DISRUPTIVE OF VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATIONS.

- 1 (B) THE COMMISSION MAY: $\mathbf{2}$ ISSUE SUBPOENAS TO COMPEL THE ATTENDANCE OF (1) 3 WITNESSES AT ANY PLACE WITHIN THE STATE IN THE COURSE OF ANY **INVESTIGATION OR HEARING UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;** 4 5 (2) ADMINISTER OATHS AND REQUIRE TESTIMONY UNDER OATH 6 BEFORE THE COMMISSION IN THE COURSE OF ANY INVESTIGATION OR HEARING 7 **CONDUCTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE:** 8 (3) SERVE OR CAUSE TO BE SERVED ITS PROCESS OR NOTICES IN 9 A MANNER PROVIDED FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS IN CIVIL ACTIONS UNDER THE 10 MARYLAND RULES; AND 11 (4) **PROPOUND WRITTEN INTERROGATORIES.** 12(C) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE 13 COMMISSION SHALL CONDUCT A HEARING IN THE SAME MANNER AS SPECIFIED IN TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE. 14 15**(D)** THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT INCLUDE THE 16 FOLLOWING SPECIFIC PROVISIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE: 17(1) ESTABLISHING THE METHODS AND FORMS OF APPLICATION 18 THAT AN APPLICANT FOR ANY LICENSE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE 19 SHALL FOLLOW AND COMPLETE BEFORE CONSIDERATION OF THE APPLICATION 20 BY THE COMMISSION; 21(2) ESTABLISHING THE METHODS, PROCEDURES, AND FORM FOR 22DELIVERY OF INFORMATION FROM AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE CONCERNING 23ANY PERSON'S FAMILY, HABITS, CHARACTER, ASSOCIATES, CRIMINAL RECORD, 24**BUSINESS ACTIVITIES, AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS;** 25(3) ESTABLISHING THE PROCEDURES FOR THE FINGERPRINTING 26OF AN APPLICANT FOR ANY LICENSE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR 27OTHER METHODS OF IDENTIFICATION THAT MAY BE NECESSARY IN THE 28 JUDGMENT OF THE COMMISSION TO ACCOMPLISH EFFECTIVE ENFORCEMENT 29 OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE; 30 (4) ESTABLISHING THE MANNER AND PROCEDURE OF HEARINGS 31 CONDUCTED BY THE COMMISSION;
- 32 (5) ESTABLISHING THE MANNER AND METHOD OF COLLECTION
 33 OF TAXES, FEES, AND CIVIL PENALTIES;

1(6) DEFINING AND LIMITING THE AREAS OF OPERATION FOR2VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, RULES OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, ODDS FOR3VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, AND THE METHOD OF OPERATION OF THE VIDEO4LOTTERY TERMINALS;

5 (7) REGULATING THE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURES FOR 6 NEGOTIABLE TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING PLAYERS, INCLUDING LIMITATIONS ON 7 THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND AMOUNTS OF NEGOTIABLE TRANSACTIONS AND THE 8 ESTABLISHMENT OF FORMS AND PROCEDURES FOR NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENT 9 TRANSACTIONS, REDEMPTIONS, AND CONSOLIDATIONS;

10(8) PRESCRIBING THE GROUNDS AND PROCEDURES FOR11REPRIMANDS OF LICENSEES OR THE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF LICENSES12ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

13(9)GOVERNING THE MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, SALE, AND14SERVICING OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS;

15 (10) ESTABLISHING THE PROCEDURES, FORMS, AND METHODS OF
 16 MANAGEMENT CONTROLS;

17 (11) PROVIDING FOR MINIMUM UNIFORM STANDARDS OF 18 ACCOUNTANCY METHODS, PROCEDURES, AND FORMS AS ARE NECESSARY TO 19 ASSURE CONSISTENCY, COMPARABILITY, AND EFFECTIVE DISCLOSURE OF ALL 20 FINANCIAL INFORMATION, INCLUDING PERCENTAGES OF PROFIT FOR VIDEO 21 LOTTERY TERMINALS;

(12) ESTABLISHING PERIODIC FINANCIAL REPORTS AND THE
FORM OF THE REPORTS, INCLUDING AN ANNUAL AUDIT PREPARED BY A
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT LICENSED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE,
DISCLOSING WHETHER THE ACCOUNTS, RECORDS, AND CONTROL PROCEDURES
EXAMINED ARE MAINTAINED BY THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE AS
REQUIRED BY THIS SUBTITLE AND THE REGULATIONS THAT SHALL BE ISSUED
UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

29(13) REQUIRING LICENSEES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE TO30DEMONSTRATE AND MAINTAIN FINANCIAL VIABILITY;

31(14) ENSURING THAT THE OPERATION OF VIDEO LOTTERY32TERMINALS AND VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITIES IS CONDUCTED LEGALLY; AND

33(15) OTHERWISE CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS34SUBTITLE.

1 (E) (1) THE COMMISSION MAY BY REGULATION REQUIRE AN 2 APPLICANT OR LICENSEE TO FILE A BOND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE FOR 3 THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF THE REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY THIS 4 SUBTITLE AND ANY REGULATIONS ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

5 (2) IF THE COMMISSION REQUIRES A BOND UNDER PARAGRAPH 6 (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE SHALL OBTAIN AND 7 SUBMIT SATISFACTORY PROOF OF THE BOND TO THE COMMISSION BEFORE A 8 LICENSE IS ISSUED OR REISSUED.

9 (3) THE BONDS FURNISHED MAY BE APPLIED BY THE 10 COMMISSION TO THE PAYMENT OF AN UNPAID LIABILITY OF THE LICENSEE.

11(F)(1)THE COMMISSION SHALL PROMPTLY AND THOROUGHLY12INVESTIGATE ALL APPLICATIONS AND ENFORCE THIS SUBTITLE AND13REGULATIONS THAT ARE ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

14(2)THE COMMISSION AND ITS EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS SHALL15HAVE THE AUTHORITY, WITHOUT NOTICE AND WITHOUT WARRANT, TO:

16 (I) INSPECT AND EXAMINE ALL PREMISES IN WHICH VIDEO 17 LOTTERY OPERATIONS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE ARE CONDUCTED OR ANY 18 AUTHORIZED VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, OR 19 CENTRAL COMPUTER IS DESIGNED, BUILT, CONSTRUCTED, ASSEMBLED, 20 MANUFACTURED, SOLD, DISTRIBUTED, OR SERVICED, OR IN WHICH RECORDS OF 21 THOSE ACTIVITIES ARE PREPARED OR MAINTAINED;

(II) INSPECT ANY VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED
 EQUIPMENT, OR CENTRAL COMPUTER IN, ABOUT, ON, OR AROUND THOSE
 PREMISES;

(III) SEIZE SUMMARILY AND REMOVE FROM THOSE
PREMISES AND IMPOUND, OR ASSUME PHYSICAL CONTROL OF, ANY VIDEO
LOTTERY TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, OR CENTRAL COMPUTER FOR
THE PURPOSES OF EXAMINATION AND INSPECTION;

(IV) INSPECT, EXAMINE, AND AUDIT BOOKS, RECORDS, AND
 DOCUMENTS CONCERNING A LICENSEE'S VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATIONS,
 INCLUDING THE FINANCIAL RECORDS OF A PARENT CORPORATION, SUBSIDIARY
 CORPORATION, OR SIMILAR BUSINESS ENTITY; AND

33 (V) SEIZE, IMPOUND, OR ASSUME PHYSICAL CONTROL OF
 34 BOOKS, RECORDS, LEDGERS, CASH BOXES AND THEIR CONTENTS, A COUNTING

1	ROOM OR ITS EQUIPMENT, OR OTHER PHYSICAL OBJECTS RELATING TO VIDEO
2	LOTTERY OPERATIONS.
3	(3) A LICENSEE SHALL AUTHORIZE ANY OTHER PERSON HAVING
4	FINANCIAL RECORDS RELATING TO THE LICENSEE TO PROVIDE THOSE
5	RECORDS TO THE COMMISSION.
6	9–1A–05.
7	(A) THE COMMISSION MAY ISSUE NO MORE THAN FIVE VIDEO LOTTERY
8	OPERATION LICENSES.
9	(B) THE FOLLOWING PERSONS MAY SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A
10	VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE:
11	(1) THE HOLDER OF THE LICENSE TO HOLD A RACE MEETING AT
12	LAUREL PARK IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY;
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13	(2) THE HOLDER OF THE LICENSE TO HOLD A RACE MEETING AT
14	THE PIMLICO RACE COURSE IN BALTIMORE CITY;
15	(3) THE HOLDER OF THE LICENSE TO HOLD A RACE MEETING AT
16	THE ROSECROFT RACEWAY IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY;
17	(4) THE HOLDER OF THE LICENSE TO HOLD A RACE MEETING AT A
18	HORSE RACECOURSE IN ALLEGANY COUNTY; AND
19	(5) THE HOLDER OF THE LICENSE TO HOLD A RACE MEETING AT
20	THE OCEAN DOWNS RACETRACK IN WORCESTER COUNTY.
21	(C) THE COMMISSION MAY ISSUE A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION
22	LICENSE ONLY:
23	(1) TO AN APPLICANT WHO IS THE HOLDER OF A LICENSE TO
24 25	HOLD A RACE MEETING DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION;
25	AND
26	(2) FOR A GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION IN ALLEGANY COUNTY OR FOR
27	THE GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION ON JUNE 1, 2008, OF THE HORSE RACECOURSE
28	FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT HOLDS THE LICENSE TO HOLD A RACE MEETING.

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1 (A) THE FOLLOWING PERSONS SHALL BE LICENSED UNDER THIS 2 SUBTITLE:

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(1) A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATOR;

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(2) A MANUFACTURER;

5 (3) A PERSON NOT LICENSED UNDER ITEM (1) OR (2) OF THIS
6 SUBSECTION WHO MANAGES, OPERATES, SUPPLIES, PROVIDES SECURITY FOR,
7 OR PROVIDES SERVICE, MAINTENANCE, OR REPAIRS FOR VIDEO LOTTERY
8 TERMINALS; AND

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(4) A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE.

10 (B) THE COMMISSION BY REGULATION MAY REQUIRE A PERSON THAT 11 CONTRACTS WITH A LICENSEE AND THE PERSON'S EMPLOYEES TO OBTAIN A 12 LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IF THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT THE 13 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS ARE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE 14 PUBLIC INTEREST AND ACCOMPLISH THE POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY THIS 15 SUBTITLE.

16 (C) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
17 SUBSECTION, UNLESS AN INDIVIDUAL HOLDS A VALID LICENSE ISSUED UNDER
18 THIS SUBTITLE, THE INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT BE EMPLOYED BY A LICENSEE AS A
19 VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE.

(2) THE COMMISSION BY REGULATION MAY EXEMPT CATEGORIES
 OF VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEES WHO ARE NOT DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE
 VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATIONS FROM THE REQUIREMENT UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)
 OF THIS SUBSECTION IF THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT THE
 REQUIREMENT IS NOT NECESSARY IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC
 INTEREST OR ACCOMPLISH THE POLICIES ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

26 **9–1A–07.**

27 (A) AN APPLICANT FOR A LICENSE SHALL SUBMIT TO THE COMMISSION
 28 AN APPLICATION:

- 29 (1) IN THE FORM THAT THE COMMISSION REQUIRES; AND
- 30 (2) ON OR BEFORE THE DATE SET BY THE COMMISSION.

(B) (1) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO LICENSE FEES FOR A
 VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

1 **(2)** THE COMMISSION BY REGULATION MAY ESTABLISH A FEE $\mathbf{2}$ FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE. 3 (3) IF THE COMMISSION ESTABLISHES A FEE FOR A LICENSE, AN 4 APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT THE FEE WITH THE APPLICATION. $\mathbf{5}$ (C) (1) **APPLICANTS AND LICENSEES SHALL HAVE THE AFFIRMATIVE** 6 **RESPONSIBILITY TO ESTABLISH BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE THEIR** $\mathbf{7}$ **QUALIFICATIONS.** 8 (2) **APPLICANTS AND LICENSEES SHALL PROVIDE INFORMATION** 9 REQUIRED BY THIS SUBTITLE AND SATISFY REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION 10 **RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS IN THE FORM SPECIFIED BY THE COMMISSION.** 11 (3) APPLICANTS AND LICENSEES SHALL CONSENT TO 12INSPECTIONS, SEARCHES, AND SEIZURES AUTHORIZED BY THIS SUBTITLE OR 13 **REGULATIONS ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.** 14 (4) **(I)** APPLICANTS AND LICENSEES SHALL HAVE THE 15**CONTINUING DUTY TO:** 16 1. PROVIDE ASSISTANCE OR **INFORMATION** 17**REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSION; AND** 18 2. COOPERATE IN AN INQUIRY, INVESTIGATION, OR 19 HEARING CONDUCTED BY THE COMMISSION. 20ON ISSUANCE OF A FORMAL REQUEST TO ANSWER OR **(II)** PRODUCE INFORMATION, EVIDENCE, OR TESTIMONY, IF AN APPLICANT OR 2122LICENSEE REFUSES TO COMPLY, THE APPLICATION OR LICENSE OF THE PERSON 23MAY BE DENIED, SUSPENDED, OR REVOKED BY THE COMMISSION. 24(5) IF THE APPLICANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, THE APPLICANT **(I)** SHALL BE PHOTOGRAPHED AND FINGERPRINTED FOR IDENTIFICATION AND 2526**INVESTIGATION PURPOSES.** 27**(II)** IF THE APPLICANT IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL, THE 28COMMISSION BY REGULATION MAY ESTABLISH THE CATEGORIES OF 29 INDIVIDUALS WHO SHALL BE PHOTOGRAPHED AND FINGERPRINTED FOR 30 **IDENTIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION PURPOSES.** 31(6) **(I)** APPLICANTS AND LICENSEES SHALL HAVE A DUTY TO

INFORM THE COMMISSION OF AN ACT OR OMISSION THAT THEY KNOW OR

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1 SHOULD KNOW CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE OR THE 2 REGULATIONS ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(II) APPLICANTS AND LICENSEES MAY NOT DISCRIMINATE
 AGAINST A PERSON WHO IN GOOD FAITH INFORMS THE COMMISSION OF AN ACT
 OR OMISSION THAT THE PERSON BELIEVES CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF THIS
 SUBTITLE OR THE REGULATIONS ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

7 (7) APPLICANTS AND LICENSEES SHALL PRODUCE INFORMATION,
8 DOCUMENTATION, AND ASSURANCES TO ESTABLISH THE FOLLOWING
9 QUALIFICATION CRITERIA BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE:

10(I) THE FINANCIAL STABILITY, INTEGRITY, AND11RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSEE;

12(II) THE INTEGRITY OF ANY FINANCIAL BACKERS,13INVESTORS, MORTGAGEES, BONDHOLDERS, AND HOLDERS OF OTHER14EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS THAT BEAR A RELATION TO THE APPLICATION;

(III) THE APPLICANT'S OR LICENSEE'S GOOD CHARACTER,
 HONESTY, AND INTEGRITY; AND

17(IV) SUFFICIENT BUSINESS ABILITY AND EXPERIENCE OF18THE APPLICANT OR LICENSEE.

(D) ON THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR ANY LICENSE REQUIRED
 UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AND ANY SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY
 THE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSION SHALL:

(1) REFER THE APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
POLICE TO CONDUCT A BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION UNDER § 9–1A–20 OF
THIS SUBTITLE ON THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT AND ANY PERSON
WHO IS REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF
A LICENSE; AND

(2) IF THE APPLICANT IS APPLYING FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY
 OPERATION LICENSE, CONDUCT A HEARING ON THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE
 APPLICANT AND ANY PERSON WHO IS REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS
 SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF A LICENSE.

(E) (1) AFTER RECEIVING THE RESULTS OF THE BACKGROUND
 INVESTIGATION AND CONDUCTING ANY HEARING REQUIRED UNDER THIS
 SUBTITLE, THE COMMISSION MAY EITHER GRANT A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT
 WHOM THE COMMISSION DETERMINES TO BE QUALIFIED OR DENY THE LICENSE

1 TO AN APPLICANT WHOM THE COMMISSION DETERMINES TO BE NOT QUALIFIED 2 OR DISQUALIFIED.

3 (2) IF AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE IS DENIED, THE
4 COMMISSION SHALL PREPARE AND FILE AN ORDER DENYING THE LICENSE
5 WITH A STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE DENIAL, INCLUDING THE
6 SPECIFIC FINDINGS OF FACT.

7 (F) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 9–1A–13 OF THIS SUBTITLE, IF 8 SATISFIED THAT AN APPLICANT IS QUALIFIED TO RECEIVE A LICENSE, AND ON 9 TENDER OF ALL REQUIRED APPLICATION, LICENSE, AND OTHER FEES AND 10 TAXES, AND ANY BOND REQUIRED UNDER § 9–1A–04(E) OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE 11 COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE FOR A TERM OF 1 YEAR.

12 **9–1A–08.**

(A) IN ADDITION TO OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THIS
 SUBTITLE, A BUSINESS ENTITY APPLYING FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION
 LICENSE SHALL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

16(1) THE ORGANIZATION, FINANCIAL STRUCTURE, AND NATURE OF17ALL BUSINESSES OPERATED BY THE BUSINESS ENTITY;

18(2) THE NAMES, PERSONAL EMPLOYMENT, AND CRIMINAL19HISTORIES OF THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, AND PRINCIPAL20EMPLOYEES OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY;

(3) THE NAMES OF ALL HOLDING, INTERMEDIARY, AND
 SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES OR OTHER SIMILAR BUSINESS ENTITIES OF THE
 BUSINESS ENTITY;

(4) THE ORGANIZATION, FINANCIAL STRUCTURE, AND NATURE OF
 ALL BUSINESSES OPERATED BY THE BUSINESS ENTITY'S HOLDING,
 INTERMEDIARY, AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES OR OTHER SIMILAR BUSINESS
 ENTITIES;

(5) THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES ACQUIRED BY THE HOLDERS OF
 DIFFERENT CLASSES OF AUTHORIZED SECURITIES, PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS,
 OR OTHER SIMILAR OWNERSHIP INTERESTS OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY AND ITS
 HOLDING, INTERMEDIARY, AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES OR OTHER SIMILAR
 BUSINESS ENTITIES;

1(6) THE TERMS ON WHICH THE SECURITIES, PARTNERSHIP2INTERESTS, OR OTHER SIMILAR OWNERSHIP INTERESTS HAVE BEEN OR ARE TO3BE OFFERED;

4 (7) THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ALL OUTSTANDING LOANS,
5 MORTGAGES, TRUST DEEDS, PLEDGES, OR OTHER INDEBTEDNESS OR SECURITY
6 DEVICES UTILIZED BY THE BUSINESS ENTITY;

7 (8) THE EXTENT OF THE EQUITY SECURITY HOLDING IN THE
8 BUSINESS ENTITY OF THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, AND
9 UNDERWRITERS AND THEIR REMUNERATION IN THE FORM OF SALARY, WAGES,
10 FEES, OR OTHERWISE;

(9) THE NAMES OF PERSONS OTHER THAN THE DIRECTORS AND
 OFFICERS WHO OCCUPY POSITIONS SPECIFIED BY THE COMMISSION OR WHOSE
 COMPENSATION EXCEEDS AN AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION;

14 (10) THE NAMES OF PERSONS WHO OWN OR CONTROL THE 15 BUSINESS ENTITY;

16(11) A DESCRIPTION OF ALL BONUS AND PROFIT SHARING17ARRANGEMENTS;

- 18 (12) COPIES OF MANAGEMENT AND SERVICE CONTRACTS; AND
- 19 (13) A LISTING OF STOCK OPTIONS.

(B) IF A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT APPLIES FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY
 OPERATION LICENSE IS A SUBSIDIARY, OR IF A BUSINESS ENTITY HOLDING A
 VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE IS TO BECOME A SUBSIDIARY, EACH
 HOLDING COMPANY AND EACH INTERMEDIARY COMPANY WITH RESPECT TO THE
 BUSINESS ENTITY SHALL, AS A CONDITION OF THE SUBSIDIARY ACQUIRING OR
 RETAINING A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE:

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- (1) QUALIFY TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE; OR

(2) FURNISH THE COMMISSION WITH THE INFORMATION
 REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AND OTHER INFORMATION
 THAT THE COMMISSION MAY REQUIRE.

30 (C) AN INDIVIDUAL APPLYING FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION
 31 LICENSE SHALL PROVIDE, TO THE EXTENT APPLICABLE TO AN INDIVIDUAL, THE
 32 INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION IN THE
 33 FORM REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSION.

1 (D) THE COMMISSION SHALL DENY A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION 2 LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT WHO IS DISQUALIFIED ON THE BASIS OF ANY OF THE 3 FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

4 (1) FAILURE OF THE APPLICANT TO PROVE BY CLEAR AND 5 CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT THE APPLICANT AND EACH PERSON WHO OWNS 6 OR CONTROLS THE APPLICANT ARE QUALIFIED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF 7 THIS SUBTITLE;

8 (2) FAILURE OF THE APPLICANT OR ANY PERSON REQUIRED TO 9 BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF A LICENSE TO 10 PROVIDE INFORMATION, DOCUMENTATION, AND ASSURANCES REQUIRED BY 11 THIS SUBTITLE OR REQUESTED BY THE COMMISSION;

12 (3) FAILURE OF THE APPLICANT OR ANY PERSON REQUIRED TO
 13 BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF A LICENSE TO REVEAL
 14 ANY FACT MATERIAL TO QUALIFICATION;

15 (4) SUPPLYING, BY THE APPLICANT OR ANY PERSON REQUIRED
16 TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF A LICENSE,
17 INFORMATION THAT IS UNTRUE OR MISLEADING AS TO A MATERIAL FACT
18 CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATION CRITERIA;

19 (5) CONVICTION OF THE APPLICANT OR OF ANY PERSON 20 REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF A 21 LICENSE OF AN OFFENSE UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY 22 JURISDICTION WITHIN THE UNITED STATES THAT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE 23 INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE OR A GAMBLING OFFENSE;

(6) CURRENT PROSECUTION OF THE APPLICANT OR A PERSON
WHO IS REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF
A LICENSE FOR AN OFFENSE DESCRIBED UNDER ITEM (5) OF THIS SUBSECTION;
HOWEVER, AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT, THE COMMISSION MAY DEFER
DECISION ON THE APPLICATION DURING THE PENDENCY OF THE CHARGE;

(7) PURSUIT BY THE APPLICANT OR A PERSON WHO IS REQUIRED
TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF A LICENSE OF
ECONOMIC GAIN IN AN OCCUPATIONAL MANNER OR CONTEXT THAT IS IN
VIOLATION OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE, IF THE PURSUIT CREATES A
REASONABLE BELIEF THAT PARTICIPATION OF THE APPLICANT IN VIDEO
LOTTERY OPERATIONS WOULD BE INIMICAL TO THE POLICIES OF THIS
SUBTITLE;

1 (8) IDENTIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT OR A PERSON WHO IS 2 REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF A 3 LICENSE AS A CAREER OFFENDER OR A MEMBER OF A CAREER OFFENDER 4 CARTEL OR AN ASSOCIATE OF A CAREER OFFENDER OR CAREER OFFENDER 5 CARTEL IN A MANNER THAT CREATES A REASONABLE BELIEF THAT THE 6 ASSOCIATION IS OF A NATURE AS TO BE INIMICAL TO THE POLICIES OF THIS 7 SUBTITLE;

8 (9) THE COMMISSION OF AN ACT BY THE APPLICANT OR A PERSON 9 WHO IS REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF 10 A LICENSE THAT WOULD CONSTITUTE AN OFFENSE DESCRIBED UNDER ITEM (5) 11 OF THIS SUBSECTION, EVEN IF THE ACT HAS NOT BEEN OR MAY NOT BE 12 PROSECUTED UNDER THE CRIMINAL LAWS OF THE STATE;

(10) CONTUMACIOUS DEFIANCE BY THE APPLICANT OR A PERSON
WHO IS REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF
A LICENSE OF A LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATORY BODY OR OTHER OFFICIAL
INVESTIGATORY BODY OF THE UNITED STATES OR A JURISDICTION WITHIN THE
UNITED STATES WHEN THE BODY IS ENGAGED IN THE INVESTIGATION OF
CRIMES RELATING TO GAMBLING, OFFICIAL CORRUPTION, OR ORGANIZED
CRIME ACTIVITY; AND

20(11) ANY OTHER REASON ESTABLISHED IN REGULATIONS OF THE21COMMISSION AS A REASON FOR DENYING A LICENSE.

(E) AN APPLICANT FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE, OTHER
 THAN A HORSE RACECOURSE IN ALLEGANY COUNTY OR WORCESTER COUNTY,
 SHALL MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING
 EVIDENCE:

(1) THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AT THE TRACK LOCATION FOR
THE APPLICANT'S VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY SHALL COST AT LEAST
\$150,000,000 IN DIRECT INVESTMENT BY THE APPLICANT IN CONSTRUCTION
AND RELATED COSTS; AND

30(2)(I)THE APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE THE EQUIVALENT OF31AT LEAST 500 ADDITIONAL FULL-TIME POSITIONS AT THE LOCATION OF THE32VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY; AND

(II) THE POSITIONS CREATED UNDER ITEM (I) OF THIS ITEM
 SHALL COMPLY WITH ANY LOCAL LAWS, ORDINANCES, OR REGULATIONS
 REGARDING PAYMENT OF A LIVING WAGE OR OTHER REQUIREMENTS RELATING
 TO EMPLOYMENT IN THE COUNTY WHERE THE VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY WILL
 BE LOCATED.

1(f)AN APPLICANT FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE THAT IS2A HORSE RACECOURSE IN ALLEGANY COUNTY OR AT OCEAN DOWNS SHALL3MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE:

4 (1) THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AT THE TRACK LOCATION FOR 5 THE APPLICANT'S VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY SHALL COST AT LEAST \$43,000,000 6 IN DIRECT INVESTMENT BY THE APPLICANT IN CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED 7 COSTS; AND

8 (2) (I) THE APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE THE EQUIVALENT OF 9 AT LEAST 150 ADDITIONAL FULL-TIME POSITIONS AT THE LOCATION OF THE 10 VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY; AND

(II) THE POSITIONS CREATED UNDER THIS ITEM SHALL
 COMPLY WITH ANY LOCAL LAWS, ORDINANCES, OR REGULATIONS REGARDING
 PAYMENT OF A LIVING WAGE OR OTHER REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO
 EMPLOYMENT IN ALLEGANY COUNTY OR WORCESTER COUNTY.

15 **9–1A–09.**

(A) UNLESS THE LICENSEE IS PREVENTED BY WEATHER, ACTS OF GOD,
 OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE LICENSEE, AS A
 CONDITION OF LICENSURE, A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE SHALL
 MAINTAIN AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING LIVE RACING DAYS FOR HORSE RACING:

20(1)220 DAYS FOR THE COMBINED LICENSEES AT LAUREL PARK21AND PIMLICO RACE COURSE;

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(2) 180 DAYS FOR A LICENSEE AT ROSECROFT RACEWAY;

23(3)21 DAYS FOR A LICENSEE AT A HORSE RACECOURSE IN24ALLEGANY COUNTY; AND

(4) THE SAME NUMBER OF RACING DAYS FOR A LICENSEE AT
OCEAN DOWNS RACETRACK AS WERE CONDUCTED IN 2006.

27**(B)** (1) IF VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSES HAVE BEEN ISSUED 28FOR THE PIMLICO RACE COURSE OR LAUREL PARK, THE VIDEO LOTTERY 29 OPERATION LICENSES FOR EACH LOCATION SHALL BE REVOKED IF THE NAME, 30 COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY COPYRIGHTS, SERVICE MARKS, TRADEMARKS, 31TRADE NAMES, OR HORSE RACING EVENTS THAT ARE ASSOCIATED WITH THE 32PREAKNESS STAKES OR THE WOODLAWN VASE ARE TRANSFERRED TO A 33 LOCATION OUTSIDE THE STATE.

1 (2) AS AN ADDITIONAL CONDITION OF A VIDEO LOTTERY 2 OPERATION LICENSE, THE LICENSEES DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS 3 SUBSECTION SHALL BE REQUIRED TO:

4 (I) PROMOTE AND CONDUCT THE PREAKNESS STAKES AT 5 THE PIMLICO RACE COURSE EACH YEAR; OR

6 (II) IF THE PIMLICO RACE COURSE NO LONGER EXISTS, 7 THE PREAKNESS STAKES RACE IS PREVENTED FROM BEING CONDUCTED AT 8 THE PIMLICO RACE COURSE, OR THE STATE RACING COMMISSION, UNDER § 9 11–513 OF THE BUSINESS REGULATION ARTICLE, DEEMS AN EMERGENCY 10 EXISTS, PROMOTE AND CONDUCT THE PREAKNESS STAKES RACE EACH YEAR AT 11 ANOTHER TRACK LOCATED IN THE STATE THAT IS APPROVED BY THE STATE 12 RACING COMMISSION.

13 (C) IF A LICENSEE HAS BEEN ISSUED A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION
 14 LICENSE FOR LAUREL PARK, THE LICENSEE SHALL PERMIT THE EVENT KNOWN
 15 AS THE MARYLAND MILLION TO BE RUN ANNUALLY AT LAUREL PARK UNLESS:

16(1) THE LICENSEE IS PREVENTED FROM DOING SO BY WEATHER,17ACTS OF GOD, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE18LICENSEE; OR

19(2) THE LICENSEE AND THE MARYLAND MILLION, LTD., AGREE20TO ANOTHER LOCATION THAT IS APPROVED BY THE STATE RACING21COMMISSION.

(D) (1) AS A CONDITION OF CONTINUED LICENSURE, EACH LICENSEE
 SHALL DEVELOP AND SUBMIT TO THE COMMISSION A MULTIYEAR PLAN TO
 IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND MARKETING OF HORSE RACING AT THE LOCATION
 WHERE THE LICENSE IS GRANTED.

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- (2) EACH PLAN SHALL INCLUDE:

(I) GOALS, INDICATORS, AND TIMELINES FOR SPECIFIC
 ACTIONS THAT WILL BE TAKEN BY THE LICENSEE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY
 AND MARKETING OF THE HORSE RACING INDUSTRY IN MARYLAND; AND

30(II) A MASTER PLAN FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS THAT31REFLECTS AT A MINIMUM:

321.COMMITMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE33STATE RACING COMMISSION; AND

12. AN ONGOING INVESTMENT IN THE CAPITAL2MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HORSE RACING RELATED3FACILITIES EQUAL TO AT LEAST ONE-THIRD OF THE REVENUES PROVIDED TO A4VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE UNDER § 9–1A–27 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

5 (3) THE STATE RACING COMMISSION SHALL EVALUATE THE 6 LEVEL OF REVENUES SPENT ON CAPITAL MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS 7 EVERY 5 YEARS AND SHALL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE 8 FINDINGS OF THE EVALUATION.

9 (4) (1) HOLDERS OF A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE STATE RACING 10 COMMISSION THAT RECEIVE A SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE 11 SHALL JOINTLY DEVELOP A MULTIYEAR PLAN TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND 12 MARKETING OF THE HORSE RACING INDUSTRY IN MARYLAND.

(II) THE JOINT PLAN SHALL INCLUDE GOALS, INDICATORS,
 AND TIMELINES FOR SPECIFIC ACTIONS THAT WILL BE TAKEN BY THE
 THOROUGHBRED AND HARNESS RACING INDUSTRY TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY
 AND MARKETING OF THE HORSE RACING INDUSTRY IN MARYLAND, INCLUDING
 JOINT MARKETING EFFORTS.

18 (E) AS A PART OF THE CAPITAL MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT 19 ITEMS IN THE PLAN SUBMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION BY A 20 LICENSEE, THE LICENSEE SHALL INCLUDE ANY IMPROVEMENTS NECESSARY TO 21 ENSURE THAT THE CONDITION OF ANY PART OF THE RACETRACK FACILITY 22 WHERE INDIVIDUALS RESIDE IS SATISFACTORY FOR HUMAN HABITATION AND 23 MEETS MINIMUM HOUSING AND SANITATION STANDARDS IN THE COUNTY 24 WHERE THE FACILITY IS LOCATED.

(F) IF A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE HAS BEEN ISSUED FOR A
RACETRACK LOCATION AT THE PIMLICO RACE COURSE, IN THE PLAN
SUBMITTED BY A LICENSEE AT THE PIMLICO RACE COURSE UNDER
SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, ONE OF THE CAPITAL MAINTENANCE AND
IMPROVEMENT ITEMS IN THE PLAN SHALL BE THE CREATION OF A PREMIER
CLASSIC RACETRACK AND MUSEUM AS A PART OF THE PIMLICO RACE COURSE.

(G) THE PLANS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION
 SHALL ALSO BE PROVIDED TO THE STATE RACING COMMISSION AND TO THE
 LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

34 **9–1A–10.**

1 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "QUALIFIED INVESTOR" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL 2 WHO MEETS:

3 (1) THE QUALIFICATIONS AND CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY §§
4 9-1A-07 AND 9-1A-08 OF THIS SUBTITLE FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION
5 LICENSE;

6 (2) THE CRITERIA RELATED TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS UNDER 7 THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933; AND

8 (3) WITH THE EXCEPTION OF § 14-301(I)(3) OF THE STATE 9 FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE, THE REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE 14, 10 SUBTITLE 3 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE FOR 11 CERTIFICATION AS A MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE.

12 (B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS 13 SUBSECTION, ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 31, 2008, AN APPLICANT FOR A VIDEO 14 LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE, OTHER THAN A HORSE RACECOURSE IN 15 ALLEGANY COUNTY, SHALL OFFER FOR SALE TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS AT 16 LEAST 15% OF THE EQUITY OWNERSHIP, EITHER DIRECT OR INDIRECT, OF THE 17 ENTITY OR ENTITIES THAT HOLD OR WILL HOLD THE APPLICANT'S:

- 18(I) MILE THOROUGHBRED OR HARNESS RACING LICENSE;19AND
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(II) VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

(2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS
SUBSECTION, ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 31, 2009, AN APPLICANT FOR A VIDEO
LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE THAT IS A HORSE RACECOURSE IN ALLEGANY
COUNTY SHALL OFFER FOR SALE TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS AT LEAST 15% OF
THE EQUITY OWNERSHIP, EITHER DIRECT OR INDIRECT, OF THE ENTITY OR
ENTITIES THAT HOLD OR WILL HOLD THE APPLICANT'S:

- 27(I) MILE THOROUGHBRED OR HARNESS RACING LICENSE;28AND
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(II) VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

30 (3) IF AN APPLICANT FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE
 31 IS AN ENTITY THAT HOLDS MORE THAN ONE MILE THOROUGHBRED OR HARNESS
 32 RACING LICENSE AND IS ELIGIBLE FOR MORE THAN ONE VIDEO LOTTERY
 33 OPERATION LICENSE, THE APPLICANT FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION

LICENSE SHALL OFFER TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS AT LEAST 10% OF THE EQUITY
 OWNERSHIP OF THE ENTITY.

3 (C) IN ITS APPLICATION FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE,
 4 AN APPLICANT SHALL DESCRIBE THE PROCESS THE APPLICANT HAS
 5 DEVELOPED TO:

6 (1) MAKE THE AVAILABILITY OF THIS INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY 7 WIDELY KNOWN TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS;

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(2) SCREEN AND SELECT THE POTENTIAL INVESTORS; AND

9 (3) ENSURE, CONSISTENT WITH THE EXERCISE OF SOUND 10 BUSINESS JUDGMENT, THAT QUALIFIED INVESTORS WHO RESIDE IN MARYLAND 11 ARE PROVIDED WITH A PREFERENCE FOR SELECTION WITH A GOAL OF AT LEAST 12 50% OF QUALIFIED INVESTORS.

(D) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND TO
REGULATORY APPROVAL, PRIOR TO THE DATE A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION
LICENSE IS ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, AN APPLICANT SHALL HAVE SOLD OR
HAVE EXECUTED CONTRACTS FOR THE SALE OF THE PERCENTAGE OF THE
APPLICANT'S EQUITY OWNERSHIP INTEREST AS REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (B)
OF THIS SECTION.

19(2)(1)NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION,20AN APPLICANT MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO SELL AN EQUITY OWNERSHIP21INTEREST IN THE ENTITIES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION22FOR A PRICE THAT IS LESS THAN:

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1. FAIR MARKET VALUE; OR

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 25 PAID BY THE PRIMARY EQUITY HOLDER FOR ITS OWNERSHIP INTEREST AS
 26 EVIDENCED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE EQUITY INVESTMENT MADE OR TO BE
 27 MADE BY THE PRIMARY EQUITY HOLDER.

(II) AT THE REQUEST OF A QUALIFIED INVESTOR, THE
 COMMISSION SHALL REVIEW AND APPROVE THE PRICE DETERMINED BY THE
 APPLICANT IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I)2 OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

(E) (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE LEGISLATIVE
 POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THE NAMES OF AND
 BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE EQUITY OWNERS AND PROSPECTIVE
 EQUITY OWNERS OF AN APPLICANT FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

1 (2) THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION 2 SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE 3 GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT LEAST 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE AWARD OF A VIDEO 4 LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

5 (F) (1) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES AND PROCUREMENT 6 RELATED TO THE OPERATION OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, THE APPLICANT 7 OR LICENSEE SHALL AT A MINIMUM MEET THE SAME REQUIREMENTS OF A 8 DESIGNATED UNIT FOR MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION AS DESCRIBED 9 UNDER TITLE 14, SUBTITLE 3 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT 10 ARTICLE.

11 (2) IF THE COUNTY IN WHICH A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY WILL 12 BE LOCATED HAS HIGHER MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS 13 THAN THE STATE AS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE 14 APPLICANT SHALL MEET THE COUNTY'S MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION 15 REQUIREMENTS TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE.

16 (3) A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT OR AGREEMENTS,
 17 INCLUDING A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT OR A NEUTRALITY AGREEMENT,
 18 ENTERED INTO BY AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE MAY NOT NEGATE THE
 19 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(4) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
 AGREEMENT OR AGREEMENTS, AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE SHALL GIVE A
 PREFERENCE TO HIRING QUALIFIED EMPLOYEES FROM THE COMMUNITIES IN
 CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY.

(G) (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL ENSURE THAT A VIDEO LOTTERY
 OPERATION LICENSEE COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION
 AS A CONDITION OF HOLDING THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

27(2) THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF MINORITY AFFAIRS SHALL28MONITOR A LICENSEE'S COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

(3) THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF MINORITY AFFAIRS SHALL
 REPORT TO THE COMMISSION AT LEAST EVERY 6 MONTHS ON THE COMPLIANCE
 OF LICENSEES WITH THIS SECTION.

32 (4) IF THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
 33 REPORTS THAT A LICENSEE IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SECTION, THE
 34 COMMISSION SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO ENSURE THE COMPLIANCE OF
 35 THE LICENSEE.

1 (H) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION AND ANY REGULATIONS 2 ADOPTED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE OF NO EFFECT AND MAY NOT BE 3 ENFORCED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2011.

4 **9–1A–11.**

5 (A) (1) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2008, AN APPLICANT FOR A 6 VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE, OTHER THAN A HORSE RACECOURSE IN 7 ALLEGANY COUNTY OR AT OCEAN DOWNS RACETRACK, SHALL SUBMIT TO THE 8 COMMISSION AN APPLICATION AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE AND A 9 \$5,000,000 APPLICATION FEE.

10(2)ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2008, AN APPLICANT FOR A11VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE FOR OCEAN DOWNS RACETRACK SHALL12SUBMIT TO THE COMMISSION AN APPLICATION AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE13AND A \$1,500,000 APPLICATION FEE.

14 (3) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION,
 15 THE COMMISSION MAY NOT ACCEPT ANY APPLICATIONS FOR VIDEO LOTTERY
 16 OPERATION LICENSES OR APPLICATION FEES AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2008.

(B) (1) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2009, AN APPLICANT FOR A
VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE THAT IS A HORSE RACECOURSE IN
ALLEGANY COUNTY SHALL SUBMIT TO THE COMMISSION AN APPLICATION AS
PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE AND A \$1,500,000 APPLICATION FEE.

(2) THE COMMISSION MAY NOT ACCEPT AN APPLICATION FOR A
 VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE OR AN APPLICATION FEE FROM A HORSE
 RACECOURSE IN ALLEGANY COUNTY AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2009.

24(C)ANY VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSES NOT ISSUED FOR A25LOCATION AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL AUTOMATICALLY26REVERT TO THE STATE.

(D) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
SUBSECTION, A LICENSEE SHALL COMMENCE OPERATION OF THE VIDEO
LOTTERY TERMINALS AT THE LOCATION FOR WHICH THE VIDEO LOTTERY
OPERATION LICENSE HAS BEEN ISSUED WITHIN 18 MONTHS AFTER THE LICENSE
IS ISSUED.

32(2)(1)ON A DETERMINATION BY THE COMMISSION THAT33EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST THAT ARE BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE34LICENSEE AND HAVE PREVENTED THE LICENSEE FROM COMPLYING WITH THE

1 REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE COMMISSION 2 MAY ALLOW THE LICENSEE AN EXTENSION OF 6 MONTHS TO COMPLY WITH THE 3 REQUIREMENTS.

4 (II) THE COMMISSION MAY NOT GRANT MORE THAN TWO 5 EXTENSIONS TO A LICENSEE UNDER THIS SECTION.

6 (3) IF A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE FAILS TO COMPLY 7 WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE LICENSE ISSUED TO THE 8 LICENSEE SHALL BE REVOKED AND SHALL AUTOMATICALLY REVERT TO THE 9 STATE.

10 **9–1A–12.**

11 IF A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE CONTRACTS WITH ANOTHER 12PERSON OTHER THAN AN EMPLOYEE OF THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION 13 LICENSEE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE SERVICES RELATED TO OPERATING A VIDEO 14 LOTTERY FACILITY, EACH PERSON AND EACH OTHER PERSON WHO OWNS OR 15CONTROLS THE PERSON OR MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL AND 16 OTHER PRINCIPAL EMPLOYEES OF THE PERSON SHALL QUALIFY UNDER THE 17STANDARDS AND PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN §§ 9–1A–07 AND 9–1A–08 OF THIS 18 SUBTITLE FOR VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEES.

19 **9–1A–13.**

20 (A) THE INITIAL TERM OF A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE IS 15 21 YEARS.

(B) DURING THE INITIAL TERM OF A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION
LICENSE, THE LICENSEE SHALL PROVIDE THE COMMISSION WITH AN ANNUAL
UPDATE OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE FOR THE
ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE BY THE DATE SET BY THE COMMISSION IN
REGULATIONS AND ON THE FORM REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSION.

(C) ONE YEAR BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF THE TERM OF A VIDEO
LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE, THE LICENSEE SHALL FILE WITH THE
COMMISSION A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REAPPLY FOR THE LICENSE UNDER THIS
SUBTITLE.

(D) AT THE END OF THE INITIAL 15-YEAR LICENSE TERM, A VIDEO
 LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE MAY REAPPLY FOR A LICENSE THAT HAS A
 LICENSE TERM OF 10 YEARS AND LICENSE FEE TO BE ESTABLISHED BY
 STATUTE.

1 (E) IF A LICENSEE HAS ITS LICENSE REVOKED OR OTHERWISE 2 SURRENDERS THE LICENSE, THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE 3 REVERTS TO THE STATE.

4 **9–1A–14.**

5 (A) UNLESS AN INDIVIDUAL HOLDS A VALID VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE
6 LICENSE ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION, THE INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT BE EMPLOYED
7 BY A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE AS A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE.

8 (B) BEFORE ISSUANCE OF A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE, AN
 9 APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT INFORMATION, DOCUMENTATION, AND
 10 ASSURANCES THAT THE COMMISSION MAY REQUIRE.

11(C) THE COMMISSION SHALL DENY A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE12LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT WHO IS DISQUALIFIED DUE TO:

13(1) THE APPLICANT'S FAILURE TO PROVE THE APPLICANT'S GOOD14CHARACTER, HONESTY, AND INTEGRITY;

15(2) THE APPLICANT'S LACK OF EXPERTISE OR TRAINING TO BE A16VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE;

17 (3) THE APPLICANT'S CONVICTION FOR ANY CRIME INVOLVING
 18 MORAL TURPITUDE OR GAMBLING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES
 19 OR ANY STATE;

20 (4) THE APPLICANT'S CURRENT PROSECUTION FOR ANY CRIME
21 INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE OR GAMBLING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE
22 UNITED STATES OR ANY STATE; HOWEVER, AT THE REQUEST OF THE
23 APPLICANT, THE COMMISSION MAY DEFER A DECISION ON THE APPLICATION
24 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THE CHARGE;

(5) PURSUIT BY THE APPLICANT OF ECONOMIC GAIN IN AN
OCCUPATIONAL MANNER OR CONTEXT THAT IS IN VIOLATION OF THE LAWS OF
THE STATE, IF THE PURSUIT CREATES A REASONABLE BELIEF THAT
PARTICIPATION OF THE APPLICANT IN VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATIONS WOULD BE
INIMICAL TO THE POLICIES OF THIS SUBTITLE;

30 (6) IDENTIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT AS A CAREER OFFENDER
31 OR A MEMBER OF A CAREER OFFENDER CARTEL OR AN ASSOCIATE OF A CAREER
32 OFFENDER OR CAREER OFFENDER CARTEL IN A MANNER THAT CREATES A
33 REASONABLE BELIEF THAT THE ASSOCIATION IS OF A NATURE AS TO BE
34 INIMICAL TO THE POLICIES OF THIS SUBTITLE;

1 (7) COMMISSION OF AN ACT BY THE APPLICANT THAT WOULD 2 CONSTITUTE AN OFFENSE DESCRIBED UNDER ITEM (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, 3 EVEN IF THE ACT HAS NOT BEEN OR MAY NOT BE PROSECUTED UNDER THE 4 CRIMINAL LAWS OF THE STATE;

5 (8) CONTUMACIOUS DEFIANCE BY THE APPLICANT OR A PERSON 6 WHO IS REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF 7 A LICENSE OF A LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATORY BODY OR OTHER OFFICIAL 8 INVESTIGATORY BODY OF THE UNITED STATES OR A JURISDICTION WITHIN THE 9 UNITED STATES WHEN THE BODY IS ENGAGED IN THE INVESTIGATION OF 10 CRIMES RELATING TO GAMBLING, OFFICIAL CORRUPTION, OR ORGANIZED 11 CRIME ACTIVITY; AND

12(9) ANY OTHER REASON ESTABLISHED IN THE REGULATIONS OF13THE COMMISSION AS A REASON FOR DENYING A LICENSE.

14 **9–1A–15.**

15 (A) UNLESS A MANUFACTURER HOLDS A VALID MANUFACTURER'S 16 LICENSE ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION, BEFORE CONDUCTING BUSINESS WITH A 17 LICENSEE OR THE STATE, THE MANUFACTURER MAY NOT OFFER ANY VIDEO 18 LOTTERY TERMINAL, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, CENTRAL COMPUTER, OR 19 GOODS OR SERVICES THAT DIRECTLY RELATE TO THE OPERATION OF VIDEO 20 LOTTERY TERMINALS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) EACH MANUFACTURER, AND EACH PERSON WHO OWNS OR
CONTROLS THE MANUFACTURER OR MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISORY
PERSONNEL AND OTHER PRINCIPAL EMPLOYEES OF THE MANUFACTURER,
SHALL QUALIFY UNDER THE STANDARDS AND PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN §§
9-1A-07 AND 9-1A-08 OF THIS SUBTITLE FOR VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION
LICENSEES.

(C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 9–1A–16(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE
COMMISSION MAY NOT GRANT AN EXEMPTION OR WAIVER OF ANY LICENSING
REQUIREMENT TO AN APPLICANT FOR OR HOLDER OF A MANUFACTURER'S
LICENSE.

(D) A MANUFACTURER OF THE VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS,
 ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, AND CENTRAL COMPUTER SHALL MANUFACTURE OR
 DISTRIBUTE THE VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, AND
 CENTRAL COMPUTER THAT MEET SPECIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES
 ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION.

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1 **9–1A–16.**

(A) FOR ALL LICENSES REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OTHER THAN
A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE, IF AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE HOLDS
A VALID LICENSE IN ANOTHER STATE AND THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT
THE LICENSING STANDARDS OF THE OTHER STATE ARE COMPREHENSIVE,
THOROUGH, AND PROVIDE SIMILAR ADEQUATE SAFEGUARDS TO THOSE
PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE COMMISSION MAY:

8 (1) WAIVE SOME OR ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS 9 SUBTITLE; AND

10(2)ISSUE A LICENSE TO A PERSON HAVING A SIMILAR LICENSE IN11ANOTHER STATE.

12 (B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, 13 ON THE REQUEST OF AN APPLICANT, THE COMMISSION MAY GRANT AN 14 EXEMPTION OR WAIVER OF A LICENSING REQUIREMENT OR GROUNDS FOR 15 DENIAL OF A LICENSE IF THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT THE 16 REQUIREMENT OR GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OF A LICENSE AS APPLIED TO THE 17 APPLICANT ARE NOT NECESSARY IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC INTEREST 18 OR ACCOMPLISH THE POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY THIS SUBTITLE.

19 (2) ON GRANTING TO AN APPLICANT AN EXEMPTION OR WAIVER
 20 OF A LICENSING REQUIREMENT OR GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OF A LICENSE, OR AT
 21 ANY TIME AFTER A WAIVER OR EXEMPTION HAS BEEN GRANTED, THE
 22 COMMISSION MAY:

23 (I) LIMIT OR PLACE RESTRICTIONS ON THE EXEMPTION OR
 24 WAIVER AS THE COMMISSION CONSIDERS NECESSARY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST;
 25 AND

(II) REQUIRE THE PERSON WHO IS GRANTED THE
EXEMPTION OR WAIVER TO COOPERATE WITH THE COMMISSION AND TO
PROVIDE THE COMMISSION WITH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY
THE COMMISSION AS A CONDITION OF THE WAIVER OR EXEMPTION.

30(c)THE COMMISSION MAY NOT WAIVE ANY OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF31THIS SUBTITLE FOR ISSUANCE OF A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

32 **9–1A–17.**

1 SUBJECT TO THE POWER OF THE COMMISSION TO DENY, REVOKE, OR 2 SUSPEND A LICENSE, A LICENSE IN FORCE MAY BE RENEWED BY THE 3 COMMISSION FOR THE NEXT SUCCEEDING LICENSE PERIOD ON:

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- (1) **PROPER APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL; AND**

5 (2) PAYMENT OF ALL REQUIRED APPLICATION, LICENSE, AND
 6 OTHER FEES AND TAXES.

7 **9–1A–18.**

8 BECAUSE THE PUBLIC HAS A VITAL INTEREST IN VIDEO LOTTERY (A) 9 **OPERATIONS AND HAS ESTABLISHED A LIMITED EXCEPTION TO THE POLICY OF** 10 THE STATE CONCERNING GAMBLING FOR PRIVATE GAIN, PARTICIPATION IN 11 VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATIONS BY A LICENSEE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE 12DEEMED A REVOCABLE PRIVILEGE CONDITIONED ON THE PROPER AND 13 CONTINUED QUALIFICATION OF THE LICENSEE AND ON THE DISCHARGE OF THE 14 AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH LICENSEE TO PROVIDE TO THE 15REGULATORY AND INVESTIGATORY AUTHORITIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR 16 ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, ANY ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION 17NECESSARY TO ASSURE THAT THE POLICIES DECLARED BY THIS SUBTITLE ARE 18 ACHIEVED.

19 (B) CONSISTENT WITH THE POLICY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF 20 THIS SECTION, IT IS THE INTENT OF THIS SECTION TO:

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(1) **PRECLUDE:**

22(I) THE CREATION OF ANY PROPERTY RIGHT IN ANY23LICENSE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

24(II) THE ACCRUAL OF ANY MONETARY VALUE TO THE25PRIVILEGE OF PARTICIPATION IN VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATIONS; AND

26(III) THE TRANSFER OF ANY LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS27SUBTITLE; AND

(2) REQUIRE THAT PARTICIPATION IN VIDEO LOTTERY
 OPERATIONS BE CONDITIONED SOLELY ON THE CONTINUING INDIVIDUAL
 QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PERSON WHO SEEKS THE PRIVILEGE.

31 **9–1A–19.**

32 (A) A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE MAY NOT BE:

36 **HOUSE BILL 45** 1 (1) TRANSFERRED OR ASSIGNED TO ANOTHER PERSON; OR $\mathbf{2}$ (2) PLEDGED AS COLLATERAL. 3 (1) A LICENSEE MAY NOT SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER MORE **(B)** 4 THAN 5% OF THE LEGAL OR BENEFICIAL INTERESTS OF THE PERSON UNLESS: 5 **(I)** THE PERSON NOTIFIES THE COMMISSION OF THE 6 **PROPOSED SALE OR TRANSFER; AND** 7 **(II)** THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT THE PROPOSED 8 BUYER OR TRANSFEREE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE. 9 (2) UNLESS THE COMMISSION NEEDS A LONGER TIME TO 10 DETERMINE WHETHER THE PROPOSED BUYER OR TRANSFEREE MEETS THE 11 **REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE, IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (1)** 12 OF THIS SUBSECTION ARE NOT SATISFIED, A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IS AUTOMATICALLY REVOKED 90 DAYS AFTER THE SALE OR 1314 TRANSFER. 15**9–1A–20.** 16 (A) FOR A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, THE DEPARTMENT 17 **OF STATE POLICE SHALL:** 18 (1) CONDUCT A BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION OF EACH 19 APPLICANT IN A TIMELY MANNER; AND 20(2) COOPERATE WITH THE COMMISSION IN OBTAINING AND 21PROVIDING THE NECESSARY BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION INFORMATION. 22**(B)** AN APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE (1) 23POLICE WITH ALL INFORMATION THE DEPARTMENT REQUIRES IN ORDER TO 24CONDUCT A BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION. 25**(2) FAILURE TO PROVIDE TIMELY OR ACCURATE INFORMATION IS** 26**GROUNDS FOR THE COMMISSION TO DENY AN APPLICATION.** 27THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL APPLY TO THE **(C)** (1) $\mathbf{28}$ **CENTRAL REPOSITORY FOR A STATE AND A NATIONAL CRIMINAL HISTORY** 29 **RECORDS CHECK FOR EACH APPLICANT.**

1 (2) As part of the application for a criminal history 2 RECORDS CHECK, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL SUBMIT TO THE 3 CENTRAL REPOSITORY:

4 (I) TWO COMPLETE SETS OF THE APPLICANT'S LEGIBLE 5 FINGERPRINTS TAKEN ON FORMS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE 6 CENTRAL REPOSITORY AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF 7 INVESTIGATION;

8 (II) THE FEE AUTHORIZED UNDER § 10–221(B)(7) OF THE 9 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE FOR ACCESS TO MARYLAND CRIMINAL 10 HISTORY RECORDS; AND

(III) THE MANDATORY PROCESSING FEE REQUIRED BY THE
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR A NATIONAL CRIMINAL HISTORY
 RECORDS CHECK.

(3) IN ACCORDANCE WITH §§ 10–201 THROUGH 10–234 OF THE
 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE, THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY SHALL FORWARD
 TO THE APPLICANT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE A PRINTED
 STATEMENT OF THE APPLICANT'S CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION.

18 (4) THE SUBJECT OF A CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK
19 UNDER THIS SECTION MAY CONTEST THE CONTENTS OF THE PRINTED
20 STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED IN § 10–223
21 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE.

(D) AFTER COMPLETION OF THE BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION OF AN
 APPLICANT, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL PROMPTLY FORWARD
 THE RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATION TO THE COMMISSION.

25 **9–1A–21.**

26 (A) EACH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL, THE ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, 27 AND THE CENTRAL COMPUTER SHALL BE:

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- (1) OWNED OR LEASED BY THE COMMISSION; AND
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(2) UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE COMMISSION.

(B) SUBJECT TO THE COMMISSION'S ABILITY TO CANCEL OR ALTER THE
 CONTRACT IN THE EVENT ONE OR MORE ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS FOR A VIDEO
 LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE FAIL TO OBTAIN A LICENSE, THE COMMISSION
 SHALL CONTRACT WITH ONE OR MORE LICENSED MANUFACTURERS FOR THE

1LEASE OR PURCHASE OF THE VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS, ASSOCIATED2EQUIPMENT, AND CENTRAL COMPUTER AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

3 (C) THE COMMISSION SHALL DEVELOP REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE
 4 SALE OR LEASE OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS BY THE COMMISSION UNDER
 5 THIS SUBTITLE IN A MANNER THAT PROVIDES A COMPETITIVE PROCESS AMONG
 6 LICENSED MANUFACTURERS WITH INCENTIVES TO LICENSED MANUFACTURERS
 7 BASED ON THE PERFORMANCE OF THE MANUFACTURER'S VIDEO LOTTERY
 8 TERMINALS.

9 **9–1A–22.**

10(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE11COMMISSION MAY AUTHORIZE 3,500 VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS FOR12OPERATION UNDER A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

(B) IF A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE IS AUTHORIZED AT A
HORSE RACECOURSE IN ALLEGANY COUNTY OR WORCESTER COUNTY, THE
COMMISSION MAY NOT AUTHORIZE MORE THAN 1,000 VIDEO LOTTERY
TERMINALS FOR OPERATION UNDER A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE
ISSUED FOR A LOCATION AT A HORSE RACECOURSE IN ALLEGANY COUNTY OR
WORCESTER COUNTY.

19 **9–1A–23.**

20 (A) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3) OF THIS
 21 SUBSECTION, A VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL SHALL HAVE AN AVERAGE ANNUAL
 22 PAYOUT PERCENTAGE OF 90%.

(2) THE COMMISSION MAY BY REGULATION ESTABLISH AN
 AVERAGE ANNUAL PAYOUT PERCENTAGE OF MORE THAN 90% BUT NOT MORE
 THAN 95% FOR VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS.

26 (3) THE COMMISSION MAY APPROVE AN AVERAGE ANNUAL
27 PAYOUT PERCENTAGE OF MORE THAN 95% FOR THE VIDEO LOTTERY
28 TERMINALS AT A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY.

29(B) A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY MAY OPERATE DAILY FROM 8 A.M. TO 230A.M.

31 (C) A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE
 32 FOR ALL MARKETING, ADVERTISING, AND PROMOTION FOR ITS VIDEO LOTTERY
 33 OPERATION.

1 (D) ANY STATE LOTTERY GAMES THAT ARE OFFERED BY OR THROUGH 2 THE COMMISSION MAY NOT BE OFFERED FOR SALE AT A VIDEO LOTTERY 3 FACILITY.

4 **9–1A–24.**

5 (A) THE COMMISSION SHALL ENSURE THAT A VIDEO LOTTERY 6 OPERATION LICENSEE COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION 7 AS A CONDITION OF HOLDING THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSE.

8 (B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS 9 SUBSECTION, A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE MAY NOT PROVIDE FOOD 10 OR BEVERAGES, INCLUDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TO INDIVIDUALS AT NO 11 COST.

12 (2) ANY FOOD OR BEVERAGES, INCLUDING ALCOHOLIC 13 BEVERAGES, OFFERED BY A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE FOR SALE 14 TO INDIVIDUALS MAY BE OFFERED ONLY AT PRICES THAT ARE DETERMINED BY 15 THE COMMISSION TO BE COMMENSURATE WITH THE PRICE OF SIMILAR TYPES 16 OF FOOD AND BEVERAGES AT RESTAURANTS IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE 17 VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY IS LOCATED.

18 (3) A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE MAY PROVIDE FOOD
19 AT NO COST TO INDIVIDUALS TO THE SAME EXTENT ALLOWED UNDER ARTICLE
20 2B, § 12–106 OF THE CODE FOR A PERSON ENGAGED IN THE SALE OR BARTER
21 OF SPIRITUOUS, MALT, OR INTOXICATING LIQUORS AND LICENSED UNDER THE
22 LAWS OF MARYLAND.

(C) A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE SHALL ENSURE THAT
 INTOXICATED INDIVIDUALS AND INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS
 ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PLAY VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS AND ARE NOT
 PERMITTED IN AREAS OF THE VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY WHERE VIDEO
 LOTTERY TERMINALS ARE LOCATED.

(D) (1) BY REGULATION, THE COMMISSION SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE
 ESTABLISHMENT OF A LIST OF INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE TO BE MANDATORILY
 EXCLUDED OR EJECTED BY A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE FROM ANY
 VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

32 (2) THE REGULATIONS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL DEFINE
 33 THE STANDARDS FOR EXCLUSION OR EJECTION AND SHALL INCLUDE
 34 STANDARDS RELATING TO INDIVIDUALS:

1(I) WHO ARE CAREER OFFENDERS AS DEFINED BY2REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION;

3 (II) WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIMINAL OFFENSE
4 UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY JURISDICTION WITHIN THE
5 UNITED STATES THAT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
6 OR A GAMBLING OFFENSE; OR

7 (III) WHOSE PRESENCE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
8 LICENSEE WOULD BE ADVERSE TO THE INTEREST OF THE STATE, THE
9 LICENSEE, OR THE PERSON.

10 (3) THE COMMISSION MAY IMPOSE SANCTIONS ON A LICENSEE IN 11 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE IF THE LICENSEE KNOWINGLY FAILS TO 12 EXCLUDE OR EJECT FROM THE PREMISES OF THE LICENSEE AN INDIVIDUAL 13 PLACED BY THE COMMISSION ON THE LIST OF INDIVIDUALS TO BE EXCLUDED 14 OR EJECTED.

15(4) AN ORDER UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO16JUDICIAL REVIEW.

17 (5) RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN OR ANCESTRY, OR
 18 GENDER MAY NOT BE A REASON FOR PLACING THE NAME OF AN INDIVIDUAL ON
 19 THE LIST OF INDIVIDUALS TO BE EXCLUDED OR EJECTED.

(E) (1) BY REGULATION, THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT MEASURES
 THAT ARE INTENDED TO REDUCE OR MITIGATE THE EFFECTS OF PROBLEM
 GAMBLING.

(2) (1) THE REGULATIONS SHALL INCLUDE ESTABLISHMENT
 OF A VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION LIST OF INDIVIDUALS WITH GAMBLING PROBLEMS
 WHO HAVE REQUESTED TO BE EXCLUDED FROM ANY VIDEO LOTTERY
 OPERATION LICENSED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(II) THE REGULATIONS UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL
 PROVIDE A SIMPLE MECHANISM FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS SOBER AND
 INFORMED TO REQUEST PLACEMENT ON THE VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION LIST FOR
 A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME.

(III) A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE MAY NOT
 PERMIT AN INDIVIDUAL ON THE VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION LIST TO ENTER INTO
 THE VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY OR TO PLAY A VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL.

1 (IV) THE COMMISSION MAY IMPOSE SANCTIONS ON A 2 LICENSEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE IF THE LICENSEE KNOWINGLY 3 FAILS TO EXCLUDE FROM THE PREMISES OF THE LICENSEE AN INDIVIDUAL ON 4 THE VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION LIST. 5 IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC INTEREST, THE (3) 6 **REGULATIONS SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS THAT:** 7 LIMIT THE NUMBER AND LOCATION OF AND MAXIMUM **(I)** 8 WITHDRAWAL AMOUNTS FROM AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINES; 9 (II) REQUIRE PAYOUTS ABOVE AN AMOUNT ADOPTED BY 10 THE COMMISSION TO BE MADE BY CHECK; 11 (III) REQUIRE CONSPICUOUS DISCLOSURES RELATED TO 12THE ODDS AND PAYOUT OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS; 13 (IV) LIMIT THE DOLLAR AMOUNT THAT VIDEO LOTTERY 14 **TERMINALS WILL ACCEPT;** 15PROHIBIT THE USE OF SPECIFIED NEGOTIABLE **(V)** 16 INSTRUMENTS AT VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITIES AND THE USE OF CREDIT CARDS, 17DEBIT CARDS, AND SIMILAR DEVICES IN VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS; 18 (VI) PROVIDE CONSUMERS WITH A RECORD OF VIDEO 19 LOTTERY TERMINAL SPENDING LEVELS IF MARKETING MEASURES ARE 20UTILIZED THAT TRACK CONSUMER SPENDING AT VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITIES; 21AND 22(VII) PROHIBIT VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEES 23FROM ENGAGING IN OR CONTRACTING WITH ANOTHER TO ENGAGE IN 24PREDATORY MARKETING PRACTICES. 259-1A-25. 26 THE COMMISSION MAY DENY A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT, (A) REPRIMAND OR FINE A LICENSEE, OR SUSPEND OR REVOKE A LICENSE FOR A 2728 **VIOLATION OF:** 29 (1) THIS SUBTITLE; 30 (2) A REGULATION ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; OR 31A CONDITION THAT THE COMMISSION SETS. (3)

(2) SECTION SHALL BE CONSIDERED A SEPARATE VIOLATION. (3) **CONSIDER:** 8 THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE VIOLATION; **(I)** 9 **(II)** THE HARM CAUSED BY THE VIOLATION; AND 10 (III) THE GOOD FAITH OR LACK OF GOOD FAITH OF THE 11 PERSON WHO COMMITTED THE VIOLATION. 12EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, **(C)** 13 NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS SUBTITLE ABROGATES OR LIMITS THE CRIMINAL 14 LAWS OF THE STATE OR LIMITS THE AUTHORITY OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT STATUTES ESTABLISHING CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND PENALTIES **RELATING TO VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATIONS.**

179-1A-26.

18 ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE OPERATION OF VIDEO LOTTERY (A) 19 TERMINALS SHALL BE ELECTRONICALLY TRANSFERRED DAILY INTO THE STATE 20LOTTERY FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 9–118 OF THIS TITLE AND DISTRIBUTED 21AS PROVIDED UNDER § 9–1A–27 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

22THE COMMISSION SHALL ACCOUNT TO THE COMPTROLLER **(B)** (1) 23FOR ALL OF THE REVENUE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

24THE PROCEEDS FROM VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS SHALL BE (2) 25UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE COMPTROLLER AND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED AS 26 **PROVIDED UNDER § 9–1A–27 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

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28THE COMPTROLLER SHALL PAY FROM THE PROCEEDS OF VIDEO (A) 29**LOTTERY TERMINALS:**

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FOR EACH VIOLATION SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS

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- $\mathbf{2}$ SECTION, THE COMMISSION MAY IMPOSE A PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000.
- 3 EACH DAY THAT A PERSON IS IN VIOLATION UNDER THIS 4
- $\mathbf{5}$ TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF THE PENALTY IMPOSED 6 UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL 7

1 (1) 5% TO THE STATE LOTTERY AGENCY FOR COSTS AS DEFINED 2 IN § 9–1A–01 OF THIS SUBTITLE;

3 (2) ON A PROPERLY APPROVED TRANSMITTAL FROM THE
4 COMMISSION, 35% OF THE PROCEEDS FROM A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY TO
5 THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE THAT HOLDS THE LICENSE FOR THE
6 FACILITY;

7 (3) (I) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ITEM (4) OF THIS 8 SUBSECTION, ON A PROPERLY APPROVED TRANSMITTAL FROM THE 9 COMMISSION, 3% OF THE PROCEEDS FROM A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY TO THE 10 COUNTY IN WHICH THE VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY IS LOCATED TO BE USED AS A 11 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT UNDER § 9–1A–30 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

12 (II) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ITEM (4) OF THIS 13 SUBSECTION, ON A PROPERLY APPROVED TRANSMITTAL FROM THE 14 COMMISSION, 2% OF THE PROCEEDS FROM A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY TO THE 15 MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN WHICH THE VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY IS LOCATED 16 TO BE USED AS A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT UNDER § 9–1A–30 OF THIS 17 SUBTITLE;

18 (4) IF A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY OPERATION LICENSE IS ISSUED
 19 FOR LAUREL PARK, 10% OF THE PROCEEDS SHALL BE USED AS A LOCAL
 20 DEVELOPMENT GRANT THAT SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN THE FOLLOWING
 21 MANNER:

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- (I) 73% TO ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY;
- 23 (II) **17% TO HOWARD COUNTY; AND**
- 24 (III) 10% TO THE CITY OF LAUREL;

(5) 5% TO THE SENATOR WILLIAM H. AMOSS FIRE, RESCUE, AND
AMBULANCE FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 8–102 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY
ARTICLE;

(6) 10% TO THE PURSE DEDICATION FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER
 § 9–1A–28 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

30(7)40% TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FUND31ESTABLISHED UNDER § 9–1A–29 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

1 IF THE COSTS OF THE STATE LOTTERY AGENCY ARE LESS THAN 5%, **(B)** $\mathbf{2}$ ANY AMOUNT NOT DISTRIBUTED TO THE STATE LOTTERY AGENCY SHALL BE 3 **DIVIDED EQUALLY AND PAID TO:** 4 THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FUND ESTABLISHED (1) $\mathbf{5}$ UNDER § 9-1A-29 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND 6 **(2)** THE PURSE DEDICATION FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § $\mathbf{7}$ 9-1A-28 OF THIS SUBTITLE. 8 9-1A-28. 9 THERE IS A PURSE DEDICATION FUND UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF (A) 10 THE STATE RACING COMMISSION. 11 **(B)** (1) THE FUND SHALL RECEIVE MONEY AS REQUIRED UNDER § 129–1A–27 OF THIS SUBTITLE. 13 MONEY IN THE FUND SHALL BE INVESTED AND REINVESTED **(2)** 14 BY THE STATE TREASURER AND INTEREST AND EARNINGS SHALL ACCRUE TO 15THE FUND. (3) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL: 17 **(I)** ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND; AND 18 **(II)** ON A PROPERLY APPROVED TRANSMITTAL PREPARED 19 BY THE STATE RACING COMMISSION, ISSUE A WARRANT TO PAY OUT MONEY 20FROM THE FUND IN THE MANNER PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION. 21THE FUND IS A SPECIAL CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND (4) 22THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT **ARTICLE.** 2324EXPENDITURES FROM THE FUND SHALL BE MADE ONLY ON A (5) 25PROPERLY APPROVED TRANSMITTAL PREPARED BY THE STATE RACING 26 COMMISSION AS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION. 27SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTIONS (D) AND (E) OF THIS **(C)** 28SECTION, THE STATE RACING COMMISSION SHALL ALLOCATE A PERCENTAGE 29 OF THE FUNDS IN THE FUND EACH YEAR TO THE THOROUGHBRED INDUSTRY 30 AND THE STANDARDBRED INDUSTRY BASED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL 31WAGERING ON LIVE RACING AT RACETRACKS IN THE STATE THAT CAN BE

32ATTRIBUTED TO EACH INDUSTRY DURING THE PRIOR CALENDAR YEAR.

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1(D) THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THOROUGHBRED PURSES2AND THE MARYLAND-BRED RACE FUND SHALL BE ALLOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

- 3 (1) 89% TO THOROUGHBRED PURSES; AND
- 4 (2) 11% TO THE MARYLAND-BRED RACE FUND.

5 (E) THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS ALLOCATED TO STANDARDBRED PURSES 6 AND THE STANDARDBRED RACE FUND SHALL BE ALLOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

- 7 (1) 89% TO STANDARDBRED PURSES; AND
- 8
- (2) 11% TO THE STANDARDBRED RACE FUND.

9 (F) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO 10 APPLY TO THE RACECOURSE IN ALLEGANY COUNTY UNTIL HORSE RACING 11 BEGINS AT THAT RACECOURSE.

12 **9–1A–29.**

(A) THERE IS A PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FUND WHICH IS A
 SPECIAL CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7–302 OF
 THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

16 (B) (1) THERE SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL 17 CONSTRUCTION FUND ALL PROCEEDS ALLOCATED TO THE FUND UNDER § 18 9–1A–27 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

19(2) MONEY IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FUND20SHALL BE INVESTED AND REINVESTED BY THE STATE TREASURER, AND21INTEREST AND EARNINGS SHALL ACCRUE TO THE FUND.

(c) MONEY IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FUND SHALL BE
 USED ONLY TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION IN THE
 STATE.

25(D) EXPENDITURES FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FUND26SHALL BE MADE EACH FISCAL YEAR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET.

27 **9–1A–30.**

28(A)LOCAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROVIDED UNDER § 9–1A–27 OF29THIS SUBTITLE SHOULD BE USED FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITIES IN

1 **IMMEDIATE PROXIMITY TO THE VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION FACILITIES AND** $\mathbf{2}$ MAY BE USED FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES: 3 (1) **INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS;** 4 **(2)** FACILITIES; 5 (3) **PUBLIC SAFETY;** 6 (4) SANITATION; 7 (5) ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING 8 HOUSING; AND 9 (6) OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES AND IMPROVEMENTS TO BENEFIT 10 THE COMMUNITIES IN IMMEDIATE PROXIMITY TO THE VIDEO LOTTERY 11 FACILITIES. 12 **(B)** (1) A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SHALL BE ESTABLISHED IN 13 EACH GEOGRAPHIC AREA WHERE A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY IS LOCATED. 14 A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF THE (2) 15FOLLOWING 15 MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE 16 COUNTY IN WHICH THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IS LOCATED, IN 17 CONSULTATION WITH THE SENATORS AND DELEGATES WHO REPRESENT THE 18 COMMUNITIES SURROUNDING THE FACILITY AND THE RESPECTIVE COUNTY 19 COUNCILS, CITY COUNCILS, OR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: 20**(I) ONE SENATOR WHO REPRESENTS THE DISTRICT WHERE** 21THE FACILITY IS LOCATED; 22**(II)** TWO DELEGATES WHO REPRESENT THE DISTRICTS 23WHERE THE COMMUNITIES SURROUNDING THE FACILITY ARE LOCATED; 24(III) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE VIDEO LOTTERY 25**OPERATION LICENSEE;** 26(IV) SEVEN RESIDENTS OF THE COMMUNITIES IN IMMEDIATE 27**PROXIMITY TO THE FACILITY; AND** $\mathbf{28}$ **(V)** OR FOUR REPRESENTATIVES OF BUSINESSES 29 INSTITUTIONS LOCATED IN IMMEDIATE PROXIMITY TO THE FACILITY.

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1	(C) (1) Prior to any expenditure of local development
2	GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED UNDER § 9-1A-27 OF THIS SUBTITLE, A COUNTY
3	SHALL DEVELOP A MULTIYEAR PLAN FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF THE LOCAL
4	DEVELOPMENT GRANT FUNDS FOR SERVICES AND IMPROVEMENTS CONSISTENT
5	WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.
6	(2) A COUNTY SHALL CONSULT WITH THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT
7	COUNCIL ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION IN
8	DEVELOPING THE PLAN REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
9	(3) A COUNTY SHALL SUBMIT THE PLAN TO THE LOCAL
10	DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT BEFORE ADOPTING THE
11	PLAN OR EXPENDING ANY GRANT FUNDS.
12	(4) THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SHALL ADVISE THE
13	COUNTY ON THE IMPACT OF THE FACILITY ON THE COMMUNITIES AND THE
14	NEEDS AND PRIORITIES OF THE COMMUNITIES IN IMMEDIATE PROXIMITY TO
15	THE FACILITY.
16	(5) (I) A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SHALL HAVE 45 DAYS
17	TO REVIEW, COMMENT, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE PLAN
18	REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
19	(II) ON THE REQUEST OF A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL,
20	THE COUNTY SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PLAN.
21	(6) A COUNTY SHALL MAKE BEST EFFORTS TO ACCOMMODATE
22	THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND ANY
23	TESTIMONY PRESENTED AT THE HEARING BEFORE ADOPTING THE PLAN
24	REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
25	(D) A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE SHALL PROVIDE TO THE
26	LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL A MASTER PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
27	THE SITE ON WHICH THE VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY WILL BE LOCATED.
28	9–1A–31.
29	(A) THE STATE MAY PAY FOR THE REASONABLE TRANSPORTATION
$\frac{1}{30}$	COSTS TO:
21	(1) MITICATE THE INDACT ON THE COMMUNITIES IN THE

31(1) MITIGATE THE IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITIES IN THE32IMMEDIATE PROXIMITY TO THE FACILITY; AND

$rac{1}{2}$	(2) MAKE EACH VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC.
3	(B) (1) A COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN SHALL BE:
4	(I) DEVELOPED BY EACH COUNTY WHERE A FACILITY IS
5	LOCATED, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
6	CREATED UNDER § 9–1A–30 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND
7	(II) APPROVED BY THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF
8	TRANSPORTATION.
9	(2) THE COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN SHALL
10	INCLUDE PROVISIONS ON ROADS AND MASS TRANSIT.
11	(C) THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL
12	FACILITATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH AFFECTED COMMUNITIES TO ENSURE THE
13	MOST PRACTICAL INGRESS TO AND EGRESS FROM THE VIDEO LOTTERY
14	FACILITY.
15	9–1A–32.
16	(A) THE COMMISSION SHALL:
$16\\17$	 (A) THE COMMISSION SHALL: (1) ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$390, TO BE PAID BY EACH
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17 18	(1) ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$390, TO BE PAID BY EACH VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE, FOR EACH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL
17 18 19	(1) ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$390, TO BE PAID BY EACH VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE, FOR EACH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL OPERATED BY THE LICENSEE DURING THE YEAR; AND
17 18 19 20	 (1) ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$390, TO BE PAID BY EACH VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE, FOR EACH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL OPERATED BY THE LICENSEE DURING THE YEAR; AND (2) DISTRIBUTE THE FEES COLLECTED UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS
17 18 19 20 21	 (1) ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$390, TO BE PAID BY EACH VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE, FOR EACH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL OPERATED BY THE LICENSEE DURING THE YEAR; AND (2) DISTRIBUTE THE FEES COLLECTED UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO THE COMPULSIVE GAMBLING FUND ESTABLISHED IN
17 18 19 20 21 22	 (1) ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$390, TO BE PAID BY EACH VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE, FOR EACH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL OPERATED BY THE LICENSEE DURING THE YEAR; AND (2) DISTRIBUTE THE FEES COLLECTED UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO THE COMPULSIVE GAMBLING FUND ESTABLISHED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.
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17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	 (1) ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$390, TO BE PAID BY EACH VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE, FOR EACH VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL OPERATED BY THE LICENSEE DURING THE YEAR; AND (2) DISTRIBUTE THE FEES COLLECTED UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO THE COMPULSIVE GAMBLING FUND ESTABLISHED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION. (B) (1) THERE IS A COMPULSIVE GAMBLING FUND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE. (2) THE COMPULSIVE GAMBLING FUND IS A SPECIAL CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7–302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE. (3) MONEY IN THE COMPULSIVE GAMBLING FUND SHALL BE

1 (4) EXPENDITURES FROM THE COMPULSIVE GAMBLING FUND 2 SHALL BE MADE ONLY: 3 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL **(I)** 4 **HYGIENE TO:** $\mathbf{5}$ 1. 24-HOUR ESTABLISH Α HOTLINE FOR 6 COMPULSIVE AND PROBLEM GAMBLERS AND TO PROVIDE COUNSELING AND 7 OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES FOR COMPULSIVE AND PROBLEM GAMBLERS; AND 8 2. DEVELOP **IMPLEMENT** AND Α **PROBLEM** 9 **GAMBLING PREVENTION PROGRAM; AND** 10 **(II)** IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN APPROPRIATION APPROVED 11 BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET OR BY THE 12BUDGET AMENDMENT PROCEDURE PROVIDED FOR IN § 7-209 OF THE STATE 13 FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE. 14 9-1A-33. 15THE COMMISSION SHALL MAKE AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2–1246 OF THIS ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY: 16 17(1) ON THE OPERATION AND FINANCES OF THE VIDEO LOTTERY; 18 AND 19 **(2)** WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND 20THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE, DETAILING THE CRIMES THAT OCCUR 21WITHIN THE COMMUNITIES SURROUNDING A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY. **Article – Public Safety** 228–102. 23There is a Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund. 24(a) (b) The purposes of the Fund are to promote: 2526 the delivery of effective and high quality fire protection, rescue, (1) $\mathbf{27}$ and ambulance services in the State; 28(2)increased financial support for fire, rescue, and ambulance 29 companies by counties; and

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$rac{1}{2}$	(3) ambulance compa	the continued financial viability of volunteer fire, rescue, and anies given the greatly increased costs of equipment.		
3	(c) (1)	The Director shall administer the Fund.		
$\begin{array}{c} 4\\ 5\\ 6\end{array}$	(2) procedures to ca requirements.	Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, the Director may adopt arry out this subtitle, including additional auditing and reporting		
7	(3)	The Director may not:		
8 9 10	precondition to subtitle; or	(i) impose training or operational requirements as a receipt of money, except as otherwise expressly provided in this		
$\begin{array}{c} 11 \\ 12 \end{array}$	have a useful life	(ii) require that capital equipment purchased with State money expectancy of greater than 1 year.		
13	(d) The	Fund consists of:		
14	(1)	money appropriated in the State budget to the Fund; AND		
15 16	(2) UNDER § 9–1A–2	MONEY FROM THE PROCEEDS OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS 27 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.		
	UNDER § 9–1A–2 (e) (1)			
16 17	(e) (1) out of the Fund to (2) subsection to the	27 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE . As authorized by the Director, the Treasurer shall make payments		
16 17 18 19 20	(e) (1) out of the Fund to (2) subsection to the	27 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE. As authorized by the Director, the Treasurer shall make payments be each county on warrant of the Comptroller. The Treasurer shall make the payments required under this e appropriate county in approximately equal amounts on or about		
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$rac{1}{2}$	(ii) for compensation or fringe benefits to employees or members of county governments, or fire, rescue, or ambulance companies;			
3	(iii) for travel or meal expenses;			
4 5	equipment;	(iv)	for fuel, utility, or routine maintenance costs of facilities or	
$6 \\ 7$	(v) to acquire new or replacement fire hydrants, water mains, c emergency alarm systems not installed at a fire, rescue, or ambulance facility;			
8	(vi) for insurance;		for insurance;	
9		(vii)	for fund-raising activities;	
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$\begin{array}{c} 12\\ 13 \end{array}$	insurance proceed	(ix) s are a	to replace or repair eligible items to the extent that vailable;	
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16		(xi)	for land or interests in land.	
17	Article – State Finance and Procurement			
18	11–203.			
19 20	(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, this Division II does not apply to:			
21	(1)	procu	rement by:	
22 23 24 25	(xvi) the Maryland Energy Administration, when negotiating or entering into grants or cooperative agreements with private entities to meet federal specifications or solicitation requirements related to energy conservation, energy efficiency, or renewable energy projects that benefit the State; [and]			
26 27 28 29	(xvii) the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Administration of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for family and individual support services, and individual family care services, as those terms are defined by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in regulation; AND			

$1 \\ 2 \\ 3$	(XVIII) THE STATE LOTTERY AGENCY FOR NEGOTIATING AND ENTERING INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE, LEASE, MANUFACTURE, REPAIR, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS;
4 5	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
6	Article – State Finance and Procurement
7	11–203.
8 9 10	(b) (3) A procurement by an entity listed in subsection $(a)(1)(i)$ through (xiii) [and (xvii)], (XVII), AND (XVIII) of this section shall be made under procedures that promote the purposes stated in § 11–201(a) of this subtitle.
$\begin{array}{c} 11 \\ 12 \end{array}$	SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
13	Article – State Finance and Procurement
14	11–203.
15 16 17	(b) (2) A procurement by an entity listed in subsection $(a)(1)(i)$ through (xiii) [and (xvii)], (XVII), AND (XVIII) of this section shall be made under procedures that promote the purposes stated in § 11–201(a) of this subtitle.
18 19	SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
20	Article – Public Safety
21	8–102.
22	(d) The Fund consists of:
23	(1) money appropriated in the State budget to the Fund; [and]
$\begin{array}{c} 24 \\ 25 \end{array}$	(2) revenue distributed to the Fund under § 16–609 of the Business Regulation Article; AND
26 27	(3) MONEY FROM THE PROCEEDS OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS UNDER § 9–1A–27 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.
28 29 30	SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other

provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the

1 invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are 2 declared severable.

3 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the intent of this Act, 4 and its various integrated provisions, is to provide for the authorization and regulation $\mathbf{5}$ of certain gaming devices for the purpose of generating State revenues and other funds for specified purposes, including funding public school construction and assisting the 6 State's racing industry. This section is not intended to detract from the application of $\mathbf{7}$ 8 the severability provision contained in Section 5 of this Act or from the ability of a 9 court of competent jurisdiction to consider and apply appropriate severability principles in the event of a judicial challenge to the validity of a specific portion or 10 11 portions of the bill.

12SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the agency designated by the Board of Public Works under § 14-303(b) of the State Finance and Procurement 13 Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the General Assembly 14 and the Office of the Attorney General, shall initiate two studies of the requirements 1516 of § 9–1A–09 of the State Government Article as enacted by Section 1 of this Act that 17evaluate the continued compliance of the requirement with any federal and constitutional requirements. In preparation for the studies, the State Lottery 18 19 Commission shall require video lottery operation license applicants and licensees to provide any information necessary to perform the studies. The studies shall also 20 evaluate race-neutral programs or other methods that can be used to address the 2122needs of minority investors and minority businesses. A final report of the first study 23shall be submitted to the Legislative Policy Committee on or before December 1, 2009, so that the General Assembly may review the report prior to the 2010 Session. A final 24report of the second study shall be submitted to the Legislative Policy Committee on or 25before September 30, 2011, so that the General Assembly may review the report in 26 $\mathbf{27}$ conjunction with the report of the study on the Minority Business Enterprise Program prior to the 2012 Session. 28

29 SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of 30 Transportation shall study the impact of the increased traffic resulting from any 31 proposed operation of video lottery terminals at Pimlico Race Course, including the 32 need for an interchange on Jones Falls Expressway between Northern Parkway and 33 Interstate 695. The Department of Transportation shall provide a final report on the 34 study required under this section to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 35 2008, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article.

36 SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not be 37 construed to affect the terms of the members of the State Lottery Commission 38 appointed before the effective date of this Act. The terms of the four new members of 39 the State Lottery Commission appointed under this Act shall expire as follows:

- $40 \qquad (1) \qquad \text{one member in 2009;}$
- 41 (2) one member in 2010; and

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(3) two members in 2011.

2 SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act 3 shall take effect June 1, 2008. It shall remain effective until the taking effect of 4 Section 3 of this Act. If Section 3 of this Act takes effect, Section 2 of this Act shall be 5 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

6 SECTION 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 3 of this Act 7 shall take effect on the expiration of Chapter 402 of the Acts of the General Assembly 8 of 2003.

9 SECTION 12. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 4 of this Act 10 shall take effect July 1, 2008, the effective date of Chapter 497 of the Acts of the 11 General Assembly of 2007. If the effective date of Chapter 497 is amended, Section 4 12 of this Act shall take effect on the taking effect of Chapter 497.

13 SECTION 13. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the 14 provisions of Sections 10, 11, and 12 of this Act, this Act shall take effect June 1, 2008.

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