

# HOUSE BILL 1115

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By: **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)**

Introduced and read first time: February 18, 2015

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Gaming – Video Lottery Employee – Temporary License**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to issue  
4 a temporary video lottery employee license to an applicant for a video lottery  
5 employee license under certain circumstances; requiring that the applicant make  
6 certain acknowledgements in writing; providing that the temporary license may not  
7 be issued to certain applicants; providing that the temporary license expires after a  
8 certain number of days; authorizing the Commission to extend the temporary license  
9 for a certain number of days; authorizing the Commission to terminate the  
10 temporary license without a hearing under certain circumstances; requiring an  
11 applicant to surrender a certain temporary license identification and cease certain  
12 work if the application for a certain license is denied; and generally relating to the  
13 issuance of video lottery employee licenses.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

15 Article – State Government  
16 Section 9–1A–14(a)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2014 Replacement Volume)

19 BY adding to

20 Article – State Government  
21 Section 9–1A–14(d)  
22 Annotated Code of Maryland  
23 (2014 Replacement Volume)

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

26 **Article – State Government**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 9-1A-14.

2 (a) Unless an individual holds a valid video lottery employee license **OR**  
3 **TEMPORARY VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE** issued by the Commission, the  
4 individual may not be employed by a video lottery operation licensee as a video lottery  
5 employee.

6 **(D) (1) THE COMMISSION MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY VIDEO LOTTERY**  
7 **EMPLOYEE LICENSE THAT AUTHORIZES AN APPLICANT TO BE EMPLOYED AS A VIDEO**  
8 **LOTTERY EMPLOYEE.**

9 **(2) THE COMMISSION:**

10 **(I) MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT WHO:**

11 **1. FILES A COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR A VIDEO**  
12 **LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE; AND**

13 **2. ACKNOWLEDGES, IN WRITING, THAT THE STATE IS**  
14 **NOT FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY CONSEQUENCES RESULTING FROM**  
15 **TERMINATION OF THE TEMPORARY LICENSE UNDER PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS**  
16 **SUBSECTION; AND**

17 **(II) MAY NOT ISSUE A TEMPORARY LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT**  
18 **WHO:**

19 **1. HAS AN IMMEDIATELY KNOWN PRESENT OR PRIOR**  
20 **ACTIVITY, CRIMINAL RECORD, REPUTATION, HABIT, OR ASSOCIATION THAT WOULD**  
21 **DISQUALIFY THE APPLICANT FROM HOLDING A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE**  
22 **UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; OR**

23 **2. POSES A SERIOUS IMMINENT RISK OF HARM TO THE**  
24 **INTEGRITY, SECURITY, OR PROFITABILITY OF THE STATE'S GAMING PROGRAM.**

25 **(3) (I) A TEMPORARY LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION**  
26 **EXPIRES 180 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ISSUE.**

27 **(II) THE COMMISSION MAY EXTEND A TEMPORARY LICENSE**  
28 **FOR AN ADDITIONAL 180 DAYS.**

29 **(4) NOTWITHSTANDING § 9-1A-04(A)(3) OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE**  
30 **COMMISSION MAY TERMINATE WITHOUT A HEARING THE TEMPORARY LICENSE OF**  
31 **AN APPLICANT FOR:**

1                   (I)    FAILURE TO PAY A REQUIRED FEE;

2                   (II)   FAILURE TO SUBMIT REQUIRED INFORMATION TO THE  
3 COMMISSION;

4                   (III)   FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE COMMISSION'S STAFF  
5 REQUESTS;

6                   (IV)   ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT OBSTRUCTS THE  
7 COMMISSION FROM COMPLETING THE APPLICANT'S BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION;  
8 OR

9                   (V)    ANY OTHER REASON ESTABLISHED IN THE REGULATIONS OF  
10 THE COMMISSION.

11                   (5)    IF THE COMMISSION DENIES THE APPLICATION FOR A VIDEO  
12 LOTTERY EMPLOYEE LICENSE OF AN APPLICANT WHO HAS BEEN ISSUED A  
13 TEMPORARY LICENSE, THE APPLICANT IMMEDIATELY SHALL SURRENDER THE  
14 APPLICANT'S TEMPORARY LICENSE IDENTIFICATION TO THE COMMISSION AND  
15 CEASE WORKING AS A VIDEO LOTTERY EMPLOYEE.

16                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
17 October 1, 2015.