HOUSE BILL 1171

8lr3269 By: Delegates Kaiser and Walker Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2018 Assigned to: Ways and Means Committee Report: Favorable with amendments House action: Adopted Read second time: March 10, 2018 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Gaming - State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission - Regulation of **Reconciliation of Proceeds** FOR the purpose of altering a certain limitation on the number of days for which a reduction may be taken in the amount of proceeds received from video lottery terminals and table games on a given day; repealing a requirement that the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission adopt regulations establishing the length of time a video lottery operation licensee may reduce the amount of proceeds received from video lottery terminals and table games on a given day; and generally relating to the proceeds from certain video lottery terminals and table games. BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – State Government Section 9-1A-01(a) and (u) and 9-1A-26(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement) BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments. Article – State Government Section 9–1A–01(u) and 9–1A–26(e) Annotated Code of Maryland (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,



1 Article - State Government

- 2 9-1A-01.
- 3 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- 4 (u) (1) "Proceeds" means the part of the amount of money bet through video bottery terminals and table games that is not returned to successful players but is otherwise allocated under this subtitle.
- 7 (2) (i) "Proceeds" may be reduced consistent with regulations adopted 8 by the Commission in accordance with subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph.
- 9 (ii) If a video lottery operation licensee returns to successful players 10 more than the amount of money bet through video lottery terminals or table games on a 11 given day, the video lottery licensee may subtract that amount from the proceeds of a 12 following day UP TO 7 FOLLOWING DAYS.
- 13 (3) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, "proceeds" does 14 not include money given away by a video lottery operation licensee as free promotional play 15 and used by players to bet in a video lottery terminal or at a table game.
- (ii) After the first fiscal year of operations, the exclusion specified in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph may not exceed a percentage established by the Commission by regulation of the proceeds received from video lottery terminals and table games in the prior fiscal year by the video lottery operation licensee under § 9–1A–27(a)(2), (c)(1)(ii), and (d)(1) of this subtitle.
- 21 9-1A-26.
- 22 (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, all proceeds from the operation of video lottery terminals and table games shall be electronically transferred daily into the State Lottery Fund established under Subtitle 1 of this title and distributed as provided under § 9–1A–27 of this subtitle.
- 26 (2) The requirement under paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply on a day when State government is closed.
- 28 (3) The amount from the proceeds of video lottery terminals to be paid to video lottery operation licensees under § 9–1A–27(a)(2), (7), and (8), (b), and (c)(1)(ii) and 30 (2) of this subtitle shall be retained by the licensee.
- 31 (e) The Commission shall adopt regulations that [:
- 32 (1)] allow a video lottery operation licensee to reduce the amount of proceeds 33 when a video lottery operation licensee returns to successful players more than the amount

of money bet through video lottery terminals or table games on a given day <u>THAT ARE</u> <u>CONSISTENT WITH § 9–1A–01(U) OF THIS SUBTITLE</u> [; and
(2) establish the length of time for which a reduction under item (1) of this subsection may continue].
SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2018.
Approved:
Governor.
Speaker of the House of Delegates.
President of the Senate.