

# HOUSE BILL 1218

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By: **Delegates Patterson, Fennell, and Kaiser**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2024

Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Lottery – Internet Sales Authorization and Distribution of Proceeds**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to allow a  
4 person to purchase a State lottery ticket through an electronic device that connects  
5 to the Internet; altering the distribution of certain lottery proceeds; and generally  
6 relating to the State lottery.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
8 Article – State Government  
9 Section 9–101(a) and (b)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article – State Government  
14 Section 9–111(e) and 9–120(b)(1)(xii) and (xiii)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

17 BY adding to  
18 Article – State Government  
19 Section 9–120(b)(1)(xiii)  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

24 **Article – State Government**

25 9–101.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

2 (b) “Agency” means the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency.

3 9–111.

4 (e) **(1)** The Agency may [not] allow the establishment of any system or  
5 program that allows a person to purchase a State lottery ticket through an electronic device  
6 that connects to the Internet, such as a personal computer or mobile device.

7 **(2) THE AGENCY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS**  
8 **SUBSECTION.**

9 9–120.

10 (b) (1) By the end of the month following collection, the Comptroller shall  
11 deposit, cause to be deposited, or pay:

12 (xii) after June 30, 2023, into the Prince George’s County Blue Line  
13 Corridor Facility Fund established under § 10–657.6 of the Economic Development Article  
14 from the money that remains in the State Lottery Fund from the proceeds of all lotteries  
15 after the distributions under subsection (a) of this section and items (i) through (xi) of this  
16 paragraph, an amount not to exceed \$27,000,000 to be paid in two installments not later  
17 than November 1 and June 1 of each fiscal year; [and]

18 **(XIII) AFTER JUNE 30, 2025, INTO THE PROBLEM GAMBLING**  
19 **FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 9–1A–33 OF THIS TITLE, 1% OF THE MONEY THAT**  
20 **REMAINS IN THE STATE LOTTERY FUND FROM THE PROCEEDS OF ALL LOTTERIES**  
21 **EACH FISCAL YEAR, EXCEPT FROM THE INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES**  
22 **UNDER § 9–112 OF THIS SUBTITLE, AFTER THE DISTRIBUTIONS UNDER SUBSECTION**  
23 **(A) OF THIS SECTION AND ITEMS (I) THROUGH (XII) OF THIS PARAGRAPH; AND**

24 [(xiii)] **(XIV)** into the General Fund of the State the money that remains  
25 in the State Lottery Fund from the proceeds of all lotteries after the distributions under  
26 subsection (a) of this section and items (i) through [(xii)] **(XIII)** of this paragraph.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
28 1, 2024.