

HOUSE BILL 539

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By: **Delegate Ebersole**

Introduced and read first time: January 22, 2025

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Lottery – Ticket Purchase and Delivery by Third–Party Entity –**
3 **Authorization**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to allow
5 licensed agents to enter into an agreement with third–party entities to allow those
6 entities to purchase State lottery tickets on behalf of individuals in the State and
7 deliver the tickets to the purchasers; authorizing the third–party entities to charge
8 a service fee; and generally relating to the authorization of ticket purchases and
9 deliveries by third–party entities.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – State Government
12 Section 9–101(a), (b), and (g)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

15 BY adding to
16 Article – State Government
17 Section 9–111(g)
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

22 **Article – State Government**

23 9–101.

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

2 (g) “Licensed agent” means a person or governmental unit licensed by the
3 Director to act as a State lottery sales agent.

4 9–111.

5 **(G) (1) THE AGENCY MAY ALLOW A LICENSED AGENT TO ENTER INTO AN**
6 **AGREEMENT WITH A THIRD–PARTY ENTITY TO ALLOW THE ENTITY TO PURCHASE A**
7 **STATE LOTTERY TICKET ON BEHALF OF AN INDIVIDUAL IN THE STATE AND DELIVER**
8 **THE TICKET TO THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE STATE.**

9 **(2) A THIRD–PARTY ENTITY MAY CHARGE A SERVICE FEE FOR**
10 **PROVIDING THE SERVICES DESCRIBED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SECTION.**

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
12 1, 2025.