

SENATE BILL 1002

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By: **Senator Beidle**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Security Guard Employers – Regulation and Certification – Exemption for**
3 **Video Lottery Operator and Sports Wagering Facility Licensees**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “security guard employer” for purposes of
5 provisions of law governing the regulation of security guards, security guard
6 agencies, and security guard employers to exclude certain video lottery operators and
7 sports wagering facility licensees; and generally relating to the regulation of security
8 guard agencies, security guard employers, and security guards.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
11 Section 19–101(a), (j), and (k), 19–201, and 19–401(c)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
16 Section 19–101(m)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

19 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
20 Article – State Government
21 Section 9–1A–14(a) and (b) and 9–1E–03(a)(1)
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

26 **Article – Business Occupations and Professions**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 19-101.

2 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

3 (j) "Secretary", unless the context requires otherwise, means the Secretary of
4 State Police.

5 (k) "Security guard" means an individual who, regardless of whether the
6 individual is described as a security guard, watchman, or private patrolman or by other
7 title:

8 (1) (i) is an employee of a security guard agency; and

9 (ii) provides security guard services to another person on behalf of
10 the security guard agency; or

11 (2) (i) is an employee of a security guard employer; and

12 (ii) provides security guard services to the security guard employer.

13 (m) (1) "Security guard employer" means a person who employs security
14 guards only to provide security guard services to the person.

15 (2) "Security guard employer" does not include:

16 (I) a security guard agency;

17 (II) A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATOR, AS DEFINED UNDER §
18 9-1A-01 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE; OR

19 (III) A SPORTS WAGERING FACILITY LICENSEE, AS DEFINED
20 UNDER § 9-1E-01 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

21 19-201.

22 Subject to the provisions of this title, the Secretary is responsible for the licensing of
23 security guard agencies and the regulation of those persons who provide security guard
24 services in the State.

25 19-401.

26 (c) Except as provided under subsection (d) of this section, a security guard
27 employer may employ a security guard to provide security guard services only if the
28 individual is certified by the Secretary as a security guard.

1 **Article – State Government**

2 9–1A–14.

3 (a) Unless an individual holds a valid video lottery employee license or temporary
4 video lottery employee license issued by the Commission, the individual may not be
5 employed by a video lottery operation licensee as a video lottery employee.

6 (b) Before issuance of a video lottery employee license, an applicant shall provide
7 sufficient information, documentation, and assurances that the Commission may require.

8 9–1E–03.

9 (a) (1) Unless the context requires otherwise, the requirements under §§
10 9–1A–04, 9–1A–06, 9–1A–07, 9–1A–08, 9–1A–12, 9–1A–14, 9–1A–18, 9–1A–19, 9–1A–20,
11 and 9–1A–25 of this title apply to the authority, duties, and responsibilities of the
12 Commission, a sports wagering licensee, and an employee or a contractor of a sports
13 wagering licensee under this subtitle.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
15 1, 2025.