



January 2, 2021

Chairman: Anne R. Kaiser
Members of Ways and Means Committee
RE: HB553

Position: In opposition

In the years since inception Maryland's Lottery agents added \$17.3 Billion to state revenue.

There is no reason to put lottery sales on internet where age verification is not good, and Master Card and Visa take profits.

Thousands of Maryland lottery agents depend on lottery to make a small percentage of sales.

- Local lottery agents keep commission in Maryland.
- Lottery sales brings in customer who pay Maryland tax on other items purchased.

Please Give HB553 an Unfavorable Report

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