

**OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
**MARYLAND STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY**

TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission  
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SUBJECT: Report for the Commission Meeting

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This is a status update of ongoing and special projects in the Office of the Attorney General.

**I. Contracts, Human Resources, and Administrative**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Reviewed several contracts for the Marketing and Corporate Sales Divisions.
- ii. Assisted the Human Resources Department in addressing employment issues.
- iii. Assisted Staff with procurement and contractual issues.
- iv. Assisted Staff with issues related to operational impacts on the Agency and regulated entities caused by the pandemic.
- v. Assisted Staff with the Agency's response to three separate Public Information Act ("PIA") requests from two separate universities and a member of the public.

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff with the above-described issues, as needed.
- ii. Continue to assist Staff with the Agency's responses to the three PIA requests listed above.
- iii. Assist Staff with developing a notice pertaining to background checks through the Criminal Justice Information System, to notify individuals of rights associated with privacy and record change requests. The notice will be provided to new Agency hires and license applicants.

**c. Issues:**

- i. N/A

**II. Lottery**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Reviewed several promotions and requests from Product Development relating to new scratch-off games and Fast Play games.
- ii. Assisted Staff with notifying retailers of potential license revocations.
- iii. Assisted Staff with reviewing new XCAP agreements and renewal applications.

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- iv. Assisted Staff in reviewing new Powerball game rules and proposed changes to playslip.

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff reviewing XCAP renewal applications.
- ii. Continue to work with Staff as needed on reissuing new checks to retailers whose previous State issued checks were unrepresented and have expired.
- iii. Work with Staff as needed on new promotions, tickets, games, and licenses.
- iv. Continue to assist Staff in protecting the Mega Millions trademarks from unauthorized use by seeking changes to online apps and websites.
- v. Assist Staff with changes to the Overall Procedures for Promotions clarifying the claiming procedures.
- vi. Continue to work with Staff as needed to accommodate changes to Powerball drawing frequency.

**c. Issues:**

- i. N/A

**III. Casino Gaming**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Assisted Staff with enforcement, licensing, and voluntary exclusion issues.
- ii. Represented the Agency at OAH at a hearing on the denial of a video lottery employee license.

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff with enforcement, licensing, and voluntary exclusion issues as needed.

**c. Issues:**

- i. N/A

**IV. Electronic Gaming Devices**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. N/A

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff as needed concerning the Commission's regulation of electronic gaming devices.

**c. Issues:**

- i. N/A

**V. Skills-Based Amusement Devices and Amusement Gaming Licenses**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. N/A.

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff as needed concerning the Commission's regulation of skills-based amusement devices and amusement gaming licenses.
- ii. Assist Staff in reviewing the circumstances of an amusement gaming licensee's ownership and continuous operation during the pandemic to verify ongoing license eligibility.

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c. **Issues:**

- i. N/A

VI. **Fantasy Competition**

a. **Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Assisted Staff in reviewing HB 940, *Regulation of Fantasy Gaming Competitions and Implementation of Sports Wagering*, to identify issues that may impact the Commission and Agency.

b. **Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Assist Staff as needed in the Commission's regulation of fantasy competitions, including reviewing offerings by fantasy competition operators.
- ii. Continue to assist Staff with review of HB 940, which has passed out of the House and is now in the Senate.

c. **Issues:**

- i. N/A

VII. **Sports Wagering**

a. **Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Assisted Staff in reviewing HB 940, *Regulation of Fantasy Gaming Competitions and Implementation of Sports Wagering*, to identify issues that may impact the Commission and Agency.
- ii. Continued to assist Staff in preliminarily drafting regulations that may be required to implement the State's future sports wagering program.
- iii. Assisted Staff with responding to an inquiry about amendments proposed by the Agency to HB 940.

b. **Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff with preliminary drafts of sports wagering regulations.
- ii. Continue to assist Staff with review of HB 940 and its review by the Senate.
- iii. Continue to monitor General Assembly activity concerning sports wagering.