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Following is the status update of ongoing topics in Government Relations and Human Resources for August.

## **I. GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

On August 16, 2021, the Sports Wagering Application Review Commission (“SWARC”) held its first meeting in the Senate’s Budget and Taxation Committee hearing room. This was mainly an informational meeting for the members. Staff to the SWARC provided the members with an overview of the legislation creating the SWARC, the role of SWARC and the MLGCC, and an outlook for issuing competitive Class B licenses.

SWARC members voted that, for applicants for noncompetitive sports wagering licenses, the application requirements of the MLGCC are sufficient for SWARC to make an award determination. The members also went into closed session for the purposes of obtaining legal counsel advice regarding compliance with the Open Meetings Act, the Public Information Act, and ethics requirements. The next SWARC meeting will be held the week on September 20.

## **II. HUMAN RESOURCE MATTERS**

The Human Resources (HR) Department continues to notify Agency employees and third-parties of individuals testing positive for COVID-19, and arranging for the appropriate cleaning and disinfecting of the work areas. In addition, HR has been implementing telework policies and procedures to ensure that our employees are in compliance with the Department of Budget and Management’s (DBM) stated protocols.

HR has posted numerous vacancy announcements for various positions within the Agency. These recruitments are at different stages of the hiring process. DBM has been working with HR to recruit and fill these vacant positions as quickly as possible.