

STAFF AGENDA MEMORANDUM

TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission

FROM: Jim Nielsen, Deputy Director / COO

DATE: December 9, 2021

SUBJECT: Limited Waiver of Certain Sports Wagering Requirements

Summary:

We are requesting a waiver of certain sports wagering regulations from now until such time that the non-substantive and substantive changes to the sports wagering regulations take effect on both a permanent and emergency basis.

The existing sports wagering regulations include requirements that the Commission has just now approved amending these regulations through its last agenda item. Because we know that these new requirements may remove or contradict some existing regulations (“old requirements”), certain regulatory provisions will be obsolete and should be waived until the newly approved amendments take effect.

We expect this waiver to be in effect until sometime in February. At that time, the amendments you just approved to the sports wagering regulations will take effect on an emergency basis, if approved by the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review (AELR).

COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTED:

- 1) After review and any discussion, approve the proposed limited waiver of sports wagering regulations for the period of time between now and when the just approved amendments to the sports wagering regulations take effect on an emergency basis.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval.