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UNITS: Government Relations, Regulations and Human Resources

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SUBJECT: Report for the December 2025 Commission Meeting

Following is the status update of ongoing efforts in Government Relations, Regulations, and Human Resources for December.

I. GOVERNMENT RELATIONS MATTER

On December 9, Governor Moore signed an Executive Order calling for a Special Session of the Maryland General Assembly (MGA). The special session will convene at noon on Tuesday, December 16, as the Maryland House of Delegates will elect a new House Speaker following Speaker Jones' announcement that she would step down from her position. The MGA may also consider other business to be resolved prior to the beginning of the 2026 legislative session, which will convene on Wednesday, January 14, 2026.

II. REGULATORY MATTERS

The Agency is still waiting on the Notice of Proposed Action to be published in the *Maryland Register* for the following amendments which were approved at the August 28th Commission meeting. We have been informed that these proposed regulations should appear in the December 26 edition of the *Maryland Register*.

1. Gaming Provisions

- 36.03.10.12
- 36.03.10.43
- 36.03.11.04
- 36.03.10.11

2. Table Games Provisions

- 36.05.03.04
- 36.05.03.05

3. Skill-Based Amusement Devices

- 36.08.04.01

4. Sports Wagering Provisions

- 36.10.04.03
- 36.10.10.03
- 36.10.13.34
- 36.10.14.06
- 36.10.18.04
- 36.10.18.06

III. HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

The Agency is still recruiting for various vacant positions across units and continues to submit Individual Hiring Freeze Exception Requests (HFERs) to the Department of Budget and Management so that we will be able to recruit for other positions in which the Agency received retirement and resignation notices.