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SUBJECT: Gaming Division Report for the October 2026 Commission Meeting

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A Skills-Based Amusement Device Registrations

The tables below reflect all Skills-Based registrations processed to date.

Skills-Based Amusement Device Program – as of 09/30/2026
2025/2026 Registrations began in December 2024 and are valid for 2 years

Registered Owners		Registered Locations		Registered Devices		Illegal Electronic Gaming Device Tips	
September	2025-2026	September	2025-2026	September	2025-2026	September	2025-2026
0	15	0	23	0	496	0	73

Skills-Based Amusement Device Program – as of 09/30/2026
2026/2027 Registrations began in December 2025 and are valid for 2 years

Registered Owners		Registered Locations		Registered Devices		Illegal Electronic Gaming Device Tips	
September	2026-2027	September	2026-2027	September	2026-2027	September	2026-2027
0	12	0	34	0	1,383	14	94

B Gaming Audit Department

Casino Audits

Facility	Audit Area	Status	Periods Covered
Live! Casino	Compliance & Operations	Completed	August
Rocky Gap	Compliance & Operations	Completed	August
Ocean Downs	Compliance & Operations	Completed	August
Hollywood Casino	Compliance & Operations	Completed	August
Horseshoe Casino	Compliance & Operations	Completed	August
MGM NH Casino	Compliance & Operations	Completed	August
Live! Casino	Compliance & Operations	In process	September - October

Rocky Gap	Compliance & Operations	In process	September - October
Ocean Downs	Compliance & Operations	In process	September - October
Hollywood Casino	Compliance & Operations	In process	September - October
Horseshoe Casino	Compliance & Operations	In process	September - October
MGM NH Casino	Compliance & Operations	In process	September - October

Instant Bingo Hall Audits

Facility	F/S Year End	F/S Due Dates	F/S Submitted	2026 Audit Status
Rod 'N' Reel	December 31, 2025	April 30, 2026	April 30, 2026	October
Bingo World	December 31, 2025	April 30, 2026	March 31, 2026	October
Traders	December 31, 2025	April 30, 2026	April 27, 2026	October
Abners Crab House & Restaurant	December 31, 2025	April 30, 2026	March 31, 2026	October
Delta Bingo – Laurel	March 31, 2026	July 31, 2026	July 23, 2026	October
Delta Bingo – Waysons	March 31, 2026	July 31, 2026	July 23, 2026	October
American Legion Post #206	December 31, 2025	N/A	N/A	October
American Legion Post #7	December 31, 2025	N/A	N/A	October
Laurel Elks #2283	March 31, 2026	N/A	N/A	October
Annapolis Elks (#622)	March 31, 2026	N/A	N/A	October
Annapolis Moose (#296)	April 30, 2026	N/A	N/A	October
Mayo American Legion #226	June 30, 2026	N/A	N/A	October
Severna Park American Legion (#175)	June 30, 2026	N/A	N/A	October

Sports Wagering Audits

Facility	Audit Area	Complete	In Progress
Live! – Retail & Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Horseshoe – Retail & Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
MGM – Retail & Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Hollywood – Retail & Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Ocean Downs - Retail	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Bingo World – Retail & Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Long Shot's – Retail	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Riverboat – Retail & Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Greenmount – Retail & Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
DraftKings – Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Fanatics (MSS) – Retail & Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October

Whitman Gaming – Retail	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
VSC – Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October
Bally's – Mobile	Compliance & Operations	August	September - October

1) The next Audit Committee meeting is scheduled for December 17, 2026

2) Live! Casino is currently in Phase 2 of *The Lounge* project and has submitted the updated floor plan and the proposed Blackjack felts for their new Table Games pit for review. The pit will consist of four Blackjack tables, with implementation targeted for October 2026.

C Electronic Gaming Device Operations

	Hollywood	Ocean Downs	Live!	Rocky Gap	Horseshoe	MGM-NH	Bingo Halls
VLT Installs	20	0	108	0	12	26	5
VLT Removals	6	0	108	0	1	32	5
Floor Moves	34	0	33	0	19	117	0
Game Changes	5	0	93	54	39	101	0
Change Requests	4	10	24	0	12	10	1

1) ITLM Update - As of 10/5/2026, 401 ITLMs in 89 unique Veterans' Posts are currently operational.

2) Monthly ITLM net sales in September 2026 ($1.38M) increased by 1% compared to September 2025 ($1.36).

3) **EXERCISE OF DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

Report on Staff's exercise of delegated authority to approve equipment, systems, and software of video lottery, instant bingo, and sports wagering operators

By unanimous vote on July 15, 2025, the Commission delegated to Staff the authority, under certain chapters of the video lottery terminal regulations, instant bingo regulations, and sports wagering regulations, to:
- determine that equipment, systems and software satisfy applicable regulatory requirements; and
- issue the required written approvals.

https://www.mdgaming.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Staff-agenda-memo-Delegation-Equipment-Systems-Software.pdf

This Delegation included a requirement that Staff report to the Commission its exercise of authority under the Delegation. Accordingly, Staff is reporting that it has exercised the authority of the Delegation to:

Issued written approvals for equipment, systems, or software of video lottery, instant bingo, and sports wagering operators for the dates below:
- 9/15/26 – 9/19/26

D Sports Wagering

1) **EXERCISE OF DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

Report on Staff's exercise of delegated authority to qualify an applicant, determine whether an applicant meets requirements for a sports wagering license, and issue a sports wagering license.
By unanimous vote on November 18, 2021, the Commission delegated to Staff the authority, under certain chapters of the sports wagering regulations, to:

- determine that an applicant for a sports wagering license is qualified;
- determine that an applicant meets all applicable requirements for issuance of a sports wagering licenses, and
- issue a sports wagering license.

https://www.mdgaming.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Staff-agenda-memo-delegation_11-15-21-final.pdf

This Delegation included a requirement that Staff report to the Commission its exercise of authority under the Delegation. Accordingly, Staff is reporting that it has exercised the authority of the Delegation to:

Issue a mobile sports wagering license to:
None

Issue a sports wagering facility license to:
None

E Responsible Gambling

1) Voluntary Exclusion Program (VEP)
   a) 47 new participants joined the casino VEP in September. The current number of active participants is 3,897.
   b) There were 19 removals from the VEP in September for a total of 1,779.
   c) To date, 3,687 violations have occurred since the casino VEP began. All violators are subject to criminal trespass charges.
   d) There were 10 additional enrollments in the lottery VEP in September and 5 removals; the total number of participants is 965.
   e) There are currently 934 participants in the instant bingo hall VEP.
   f) There are currently 813 participants in the sports wagering VEP.
   g) There are currently 742 participants in the fantasy competition VEP.

2) The next MARG meeting is planned for December 2, 2026, in the MLGCA studio.

E Illegal Online Gaming

1) As of 10/7/26, MLGCA and the OAG staff have issued 96 cease and desist letters to illegal online gaming operators. Following these actions, 25 operators have voluntarily withdrawn from the Maryland market and ceased offering their games to residents or modified their games to comply with MLGCA directives; 17 have refuted and failed to comply with the cease and desist letters, and 54 have not responded to the letters.