# **Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency**

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SUBJECT: Gaming Division Report for the May 2017 Commission Meeting

#### A Gaming Division

- 1) Skills-Based Amusement Device The registration applications are now available on our website and an informational flyer went out in mid-March via the Comptroller's Admission and Amusement tax filing to 1,300 coin operated machine filers throughout Maryland explaining the program and need to register with the MLGCA.
- 2) As of May 12, staff has received skills-based amusement device registration forms from 27 owners with 477 locations in Maryland.
- 3) Staff received 5 applications from entities that qualify for the Worcester County Family Entertainment Center Gaming License.

## **B** VLT Audit Department

Audit Summary								
Location	Audit Area	Status	Periods Covered					
Maryland Live Casino	Compliance & Operations	Completed						
Rocky Gap	Compliance & Operations	Completed	March					
Ocean Downs	Compliance & Operations	Completed	March					
Hollywood Casino	Compliance & Operations	Completed	March					
Horseshoe Casino	Compliance & Operations	Completed	March					
MGM NH Casino	Compliance & Operations	Completed	March					
Maryland Live Casino	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April - May					
Rocky Gap	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April – May					
Ocean Downs	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April – May					
Hollywood Casino	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April – May					
Horseshoe Casino	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April – May					
MGM NH Casino	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April – May					
Bingo World	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April					
Delta Bingo – Laurel	Compliance & Operations	In Process	March					
Delta Bingo – Waysons	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April					
Mayo American Legion #226	Compliance & Operations	In Process	March					

Laurel Elks #2283	Compliance & Operations	In Process	May
American Legion Post #7	Compliance & Operations	In Process	May
Annapolis Elks (#622)	Compliance & Operations	In Process	March
Annapolis Moose (#296)	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April
Severna Park American		In Process	
Legion (#175)	Compliance & Operations		April
Rod 'N' Reel	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April
Abners Crab House &		In Process	
Restaurant	Compliance & Operations		May
Traders	Compliance & Operations	In Process	April
American Legion Post 206	Compliance & Operations	In Process	May

- 1) Staffing all positions are currently filled.
- 2) Proposed regulatory changes for the 2017 Regulatory Review Process were received from licensees and reviewed by management. A meeting with the licensees is scheduled for May 23 to review and discuss our recommended regulations.

#### **C** Electronic Gaming Device Operations

	Hollywood	Ocean Downs	MD Live	Rocky Gap	Horseshoe	MGM- NH	Bingo Halls
VLT Installs	3	0	129	0	20	1	0
VLT Removals	3	0	133	0	20	1	0
Floor Moves	40	93	259	0	42	14	0
Game Changes	2	23	61	6	0	72	0
Change Requests	3	7	19	1	2	6	0
Operation Reviews	1	1	1	1	1	1	0

- 1) ITLM Update As of 5/10/17, 328 ITLMs in 77 unique Veterans' Posts are currently operational. The ITLM Program as a whole has contributed over \$8.9 million in profits to the participating Posts.
- 2) VLT Ownership Transfer As now authorized, both Rocky Gap Casino and the Casino at Ocean Downs plan to quickly acquire ownership of the VLTs in their locations, and take advantage of a 10% reduction in their tax rate.
  - a) Rocky Gap Casino plans minimal changes to the existing floor and will take ownership on July 1, 2017.
  - b) Casino at Ocean Downs plans to replace over 300 existing games over several weeks beginning on July 9<sup>th</sup>.

### D Responsible Gambling

- 1) Voluntary Exclusion Program
  - a) 29 new participants joined the casino VEP program since the last report; the total number of participants is 1,425.
  - b) There have been 104 removals from the VEP.

- c) To date, 338 violations have occurred since the casino VEP program began. All have been cited for criminal trespass and court resolution is pending.
- d) There are 8 additional enrollments on the lottery VEP list; the total number of participants is 266.
- e) There were no additional enrollments in the bingo hall VEP program for this reporting period; the total number of participants is 5.
- 2) A MARG meeting was held at Ocean Downs on May 17 to discuss statewide Responsible Gambling efforts.