

HB 2284 -- AUTHORIZES SPORTS WAGERING

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This bill permits sports wagering only by a licensed facility. A licensed facility may offer sports wagering in person at the licensed facility and over the Internet.

The rules adopted under this section must include the manner in which wagers are received, payouts are paid, and point spreads, lines, and odds are disclosed. The rules must establish standards to govern how a certificate holder offers sports wagering over the Internet and the manner a certificate holder's books and financial records related to sports wagering are maintained. The standards must also detect and prevent compulsive gambling.

The rules adopted under this standard requires a certificate holder to make commercially reasonable efforts by designating an area within the facility for sports wagering, ensure the security and integrity of sports wagering, ensure that the certificate holder's surveillance system covers all areas, allow the commission's gaming agents to be present, prevent people under the age of 21 to make sports wagers, provide written information about sports wagering, and post a sign in areas indicating the minimum and maximum amounts to be waged.

A licensed applicant who wants to offer sports wagering must submit an application to the commission and pay an initial application fee of \$25,000.

The commission must test new sports wagering devices and new forms that the commission considered appropriate prior to allowing a certificate holder to offer a new sports wagering device or new form. A certificate holder must designate an area within their facility for conducting sports wagering. A certificate holder may administer up to three individually branded interactive sports wagering platforms. Sports wagering may be conducted with negotiable currency. A certificate holder determines the minimum and maximum wagers in sports wagering.

An interactive sports wagering platform provider may offer sports wagering if the platform holds an interactive sports wagering platform license issued by the commission. An application for such license must be submitted with a \$25,000 application fee. An annual renewal fee of \$50,000 is required. An interactive sports wagering platform may request for a temporary license, which will require an application fee.

A certificate holder must verify that a person placing a wager is

at least 21 years of age. The commission must adopt rules that require interactive sports wagering platforms to make reasonable efforts to not target minors, disclose the identity of the sports wagering certificate holder, provide resources relating to gambling addiction, and to not deceive a reasonable consumer.

The commission shall not grant a license until the commission determines that each person that has control of the applicant seeking a license meets all qualifications. The commission and certificate holders must cooperate with investigations conducted by sports governing bodies or law enforcement agencies. A certificate holder is required to report criminal activity and wagers that violate law.

A certificate holder is required to maintain records for a period of at least three years for bets and wagers that exceed \$10,000.

Any person, corporation, or employee who violates sections of this bill will be liable for civil penalty of \$5,000 for each violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for violations arising out of the same transaction. A person may also be guilty of a class E felony for specified violations.

Within 30 days of the end of each calendar quarter, a certificate holder must give the commission a royalty fee. The commission will disburse the royalty fee evenly among public universities and used for athletics compliance.

Additionally, a wagering tax of 9% is imposed on the adjusted gross receipts received from sports wagering conducted by a certificate holder. The tax imposed must be deposited to the "Gaming Proceeds for Education Fund" and distributed.

All sports wagering shall be initiated and made on the property of an excursion gambling boat within this state. A raffle using tickets, a device, or a machine, where a person or persons buy(s) one or more chances from a finite number of draws for a prize are authorized activities.