



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5167

LCO No. 1328



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

AN ACT CONCERNING STUDIES OF THE EFFECT OF LEGALIZED GAMBLING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 12-564 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) The commissioner shall make an annual report in writing to the
4 Governor as provided in section 4-60 and shall make such additional
5 reports as the Governor may from time to time reasonably request. The
6 annual report shall include a statement of the receipts and
7 disbursements of the department, a statement of the costs of
8 administering the department, a summary of [its] the department's
9 activities, and any additional information and recommendations which
10 the commissioner may deem of value or which the Governor may
11 request.

12 (b) (1) The commissioner shall conduct studies concerning the effect
13 of legalized gambling on the citizens of this state, [including] The
14 studies shall include, but need not be limited to, [studies to determine]
15 examinations of the types of gambling activity engaged in by the public,

16 the impact of the expansion of legalized gaming in neighboring states,
 17 including the operation of additional casinos near the state, the potential
 18 impact of online gaming in the state, the impact of the development of
 19 new gaming technologies and the desirability of expanding,
 20 maintaining or reducing the amount of legalized gambling permitted in
 21 this state. [Such studies shall be conducted as often as the commissioner
 22 deems necessary, except that no studies shall be conducted before the
 23 fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and thereafter studies shall be
 24 conducted at least once every ten years. The]

25 (2) The commissioner shall conduct such studies not later than
 26 October 1, 2021, and every ten years thereafter, and at such other times
 27 as the commissioner deems necessary. The commissioner shall submit
 28 the findings of such studies and the costs of conducting such studies to
 29 the joint standing [committees] committee of the General Assembly
 30 having cognizance of matters relating to [legalized gambling shall each
 31 receive a report concerning each study carried out, stating the findings
 32 of the study and the costs of conducting the study] public safety and
 33 security, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	12-564
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Statement of Purpose:

To require the next study of the effect of legalized gambling by October 1, 2021.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]