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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:  
(PS)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION ON GAMING.***

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

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2021*) (a) (1) There is established  
2       a Commission on Gaming, which shall be under the direction and  
3       supervision of three commission members appointed by the Governor  
4       in accordance with the provisions of section 4-1a of the general statutes  
5       and with the advice and consent of either house of the General  
6       Assembly. Each member of the commission shall have experience with  
7       one or more of the following: (A) Legal and policy issues related to  
8       gaming, (B) gaming regulatory administration, (C) gaming industry  
9       management, (D) criminal investigations and law enforcement, or (E)  
10      corporate finance and securities.

11      (2) The Governor shall designate a member to serve as chairperson of  
12      the commission. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings. Two  
13      members shall constitute a quorum. The vote of a majority of the  
14      members shall be required for action of the commission.

15      (3) The salary of each appointed member shall be established by the

16 Department of Administrative Services.

17 (b) The Commission on Gaming shall constitute a successor agency,  
18 in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39 of the  
19 general statutes, to the Department of Consumer Protection with respect  
20 to all functions, powers and duties of the department transferred to the  
21 commission under this section, sections 7-169d, 7-169h, 7-169i, 7-178, 12-  
22 557b to 12-578bb, inclusive, 12-579, 12-584, 12-585, 12-586f, 12-586g and  
23 12-800 to 12-834, inclusive, subsection (b) of section 17a-713, sections  
24 21a-1, 22-410, 22-412, 29-7c and 29-18c, subsection (a) of section 30-20,  
25 subsection (e) of section 30-22a, subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of  
26 section 30-39, section 30-59a, subsection (c) of section 31-51y and section  
27 53-278g of the general statutes, as amended by this act. The Commission  
28 on Gaming may implement policies and procedures consistent with the  
29 provisions of this section, sections 7-169d, 7-169h, 7-169i, 7-178, 12-557b  
30 to 12-578bb, inclusive, 12-579, 12-584, 12-585, 12-586f, 12-586g and 12-  
31 800 to 12-834, inclusive, subsection (b) of section 17a-713, sections 21a-1,  
32 22-410, 22-412, 29-7c and 29-18c, subsection (a) of section 30-20,  
33 subsection (e) of section 30-22a, subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of  
34 section 30-39, section 30-59a, subsection (c) of section 31-51y and section  
35 53-278g of the general statutes, as amended by this act, while in the  
36 process of adopting the policy or procedure in regulation form,  
37 provided notice of intention to adopt regulations is posted on the  
38 eRegulations System not later than twenty days after implementation.  
39 Any such policy or procedure shall be valid until the time final  
40 regulations are effective.

41 (c) The Commission on Gaming shall be responsible for: (1) The  
42 implementation and administration of provisions of the general statutes  
43 governing gaming; (2) the licensing and oversight of individuals and  
44 business organizations conducting gaming activities pursuant to  
45 chapter 226 of the general states; (3) analysis of the market for gaming  
46 activities in the state and promotion of gaming in the state; and (4)  
47 making recommendations for legislation to implement a strategic plan  
48 for gaming in the state.

49 (d) The Governor shall appoint, in accordance with the provisions of  
 50 sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, of the general statutes, as amended by this  
 51 act, an executive director to supervise the daily operations of the  
 52 commission. The executive director shall have professional experience  
 53 in gaming regulatory administration or gaming industry management.  
 54 The salary of the executive director shall be established by the  
 55 Department of Administrative Services.

56 (e) The commission shall consult with the Department of Consumer  
 57 Protection regarding the department's powers and duties transferred to  
 58 the commission under this section, sections 7-169d, 7-169h, 7-169i, 7-178,  
 59 12-577b to 12-578bb, inclusive, 12-579, 12-584, 12-585, 12-586f, 12-586g  
 60 and 12-800 to 12-834, inclusive, subsection (b) of section 17a-713,  
 61 sections 21a-1, 22-410, 22-412, 29-7c and 29-18c, subsection (a) of section  
 62 30-20, subsection (e) of section 30-22a, subdivision (1) of subsection (b)  
 63 of section 30-39, section 30-59a, subsection (c) of section 31-51y and  
 64 section 53-278g of the general statutes, as amended by this act.

65 (f) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the  
 66 provisions of this section, sections 7-169d, 7-169h, 7-169i, 7-178, 12-557b  
 67 to 12-578bb, inclusive, 12-579, 12-584, 12-585, 12-586f, 12-586g and 12-  
 68 800 to 12-834, inclusive, subsection (b) of section 17a-713, sections 21a-1,  
 69 22-410, 22-412, 29-7c and 29-18c, subsection (a) of section 30-20,  
 70 subsection (e) of section 30-22a, subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of  
 71 section 30-39, section 30-59a, subsection (c) of section 31-51y and section  
 72 53-278g of the general statutes, as amended by this act, make such  
 73 technical, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to  
 74 carry out the purposes of this section.

75 Sec. 2. Section 4-5 of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes is  
 76 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
 77 *1, 2021*):

78 As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head"  
 79 means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, Commissioner  
 80 of Administrative Services, Commissioner of Revenue Services,

81 Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Children and Families,  
 82 Commissioner of Consumer Protection, Commissioner of Correction,  
 83 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, State Board  
 84 of Education, Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
 85 Protection, Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection,  
 86 Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health,  
 87 Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of  
 88 Mental Health and Addiction Services, Commissioner of Social Services,  
 89 Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of Motor  
 90 Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Veterans  
 91 Affairs, Commissioner of Housing, Commissioner of Aging and  
 92 Disability Services, the Commissioner of Early Childhood, the executive  
 93 director of the Office of Military Affairs, the executive director of the  
 94 Office of Health Strategy, [and] the executive director of the Technical  
 95 Education and Career System, and the executive director of the  
 96 Commission on Gaming. As used in sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department  
 97 head" also means the Commissioner of Education.

98 Sec. 3. Section 4-5 of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes, as  
 99 amended by section 6 of public act 17-237, section 279 of public act 17-2  
 100 of the June special session, section 20 of public act 18-182 and section 283  
 101 of public act 19-117, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 102 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

103 As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head"  
 104 means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, Commissioner  
 105 of Administrative Services, Commissioner of Revenue Services,  
 106 Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Children and Families,  
 107 Commissioner of Consumer Protection, Commissioner of Correction,  
 108 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, State Board  
 109 of Education, Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
 110 Protection, Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection,  
 111 Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health,  
 112 Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of  
 113 Mental Health and Addiction Services, Commissioner of Social Services,  
 114 Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of Motor

115 Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Veterans  
116 Affairs, Commissioner of Housing, Commissioner of Rehabilitation  
117 Services, the Commissioner of Early Childhood, the executive director  
118 of the Office of Military Affairs, [and] the executive director of the  
119 Technical Education and Career System, and the executive director of  
120 the Commission on Gaming. As used in sections 4-6 and 4-7,  
121 "department head" also means the Commissioner of Education.

122 Sec. 4. Section 4-38c of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes is  
123 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
124 *1, 2021*):

125 There shall be within the executive branch of state government the  
126 following departments: Office of Policy and Management, Department  
127 of Administrative Services, Department of Aging and Disability  
128 Services, Department of Revenue Services, Department of Banking,  
129 Department of Agriculture, Department of Children and Families,  
130 Department of Consumer Protection, Department of Correction,  
131 Department of Economic and Community Development, State Board of  
132 Education, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection,  
133 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Department of  
134 Public Health, Board of Regents for Higher Education, Insurance  
135 Department, Labor Department, Department of Mental Health and  
136 Addiction Services, Department of Developmental Services,  
137 Department of Social Services, Department of Rehabilitation Services,  
138 Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles,  
139 Department of Veterans Affairs, [and] the Technical Education and  
140 Career System, and the Commission on Gaming.

141 Sec. 5. Section 4-38c of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes, as  
142 amended by section 7 of public act 17-237, section 287 of public act 17-2  
143 of the June special session, section 21 of public act 18-182 and section 284  
144 of public act 19-117, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
145 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

146 There shall be within the executive branch of state government the

147 following departments: Office of Policy and Management, Department  
148 of Administrative Services, Department of Revenue Services,  
149 Department of Banking, Department of Agriculture, Department of  
150 Children and Families, Department of Consumer Protection,  
151 Department of Correction, Department of Economic and Community  
152 Development, State Board of Education, Department of Emergency  
153 Services and Public Protection, Department of Energy and  
154 Environmental Protection, Department of Public Health, Board of  
155 Regents for Higher Education, Insurance Department, Labor  
156 Department, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services,  
157 Department of Developmental Services, Department of Social Services,  
158 Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles,  
159 Department of Veterans Affairs, [and] the Technical Education and  
160 Career System, and the Commission on Gaming.

161 Sec. 6. Section 7-169d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
162 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

163 (a) For the purposes of this section, (1) "bingo game" has the same  
164 meaning as provided in section 7-169, and (2) "bingo products" means  
165 bingo ball equipment, bingo cards or bingo paper.

166 (b) Each group or organization authorized to operate or conduct a  
167 bingo game or series of bingo games pursuant to sections 7-169 to 7-  
168 169c, inclusive, shall use bingo products that are (1) owned in full by  
169 such group or organization, (2) used without compensation by such  
170 group or organization, or (3) rented or purchased from a bingo product  
171 manufacturer or equipment dealer who is registered with the  
172 [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming in  
173 accordance with subsection (c) of this section.

174 (c) Each applicant for registration as a bingo product manufacturer  
175 or equipment dealer shall apply to the [Commissioner of Consumer  
176 Protection] Commission on Gaming on such forms as the  
177 [commissioner] commission prescribes. The application shall be  
178 accompanied by an annual fee of two thousand five hundred dollars

179 payable to the State Treasurer. Each applicant for an initial registration  
180 shall submit to state and national criminal history records checks  
181 conducted in accordance with section 29-17a before such registration is  
182 issued.

183 (d) No registered bingo product manufacturer or equipment dealer  
184 shall rent or sell any type of bingo product that has not been approved  
185 by the [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on  
186 Gaming.

187 (e) The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on  
188 Gaming may revoke for cause any registration issued pursuant to  
189 subsection (c) of this section.

190 (f) The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on  
191 Gaming may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to  
192 implement the provisions of this section.

193 Sec. 7. Section 7-169h of the general statutes is repealed and the  
194 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

195 (a) For the purposes of this section and section 7-169i, as amended by  
196 this act:

197 [(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Consumer  
198 Protection;

199 (2) "Department" means the Department of Consumer Protection;]

200 (1) "Commission" means the Commission on Gaming;

201 [(3)] (2) "Sealed ticket" means a card with tabs which, when pulled,  
202 expose pictures of various objects, symbols or numbers and which  
203 entitles the holder of the ticket to receive a prize if the combination of  
204 objects, symbols or numbers pictured matches what is determined to be  
205 a winning combination;

206 [(4)] (3) "Distributor" means a person who is a resident of this state

207 and is registered with the [department] commission to provide services  
208 related to the sale and distribution of sealed tickets to any organization  
209 permitted to sell sealed tickets by the [department] commission; and

210 [(5)] (4) "Manufacturer" means a person who is registered with the  
211 [department] commission and who manufactures or assembles sealed  
212 tickets from raw materials, supplies or subparts.

213 (b) No person shall sell, offer for sale or distribute a sealed ticket who  
214 has not applied for and received a permit from the [department]  
215 commission to sell sealed tickets.

216 (c) No organization permitted to sell sealed tickets in this state shall  
217 purchase sealed tickets from anyone other than a distributor.

218 (d) A distributor shall not purchase sealed tickets for sale or use in  
219 this state from any person except a manufacturer. A distributor shall  
220 have a physical office in this state and such office shall be subject to  
221 inspection by the [commissioner or the commissioner's duly designated  
222 agent] members and staff of the commission during normal business  
223 hours. No organization or group or any person affiliated with an  
224 organization or group permitted to sell sealed tickets under this section  
225 shall be permitted to be a distributor.

226 (e) A manufacturer shall not sell sealed tickets to any person in this  
227 state except a distributor.

228 (f) All sealed tickets purchased by a distributor for sale or use in this  
229 state shall be stored or warehoused in this state prior to their sale to any  
230 organization permitted to sell sealed tickets.

231 (g) All sealed tickets sold in this state shall meet the standards on  
232 pull-tabs adopted by the North American Gaming Regulators  
233 Association.

234 (h) The [department] commission may issue a permit to sell sealed  
235 tickets to any organization or group specified in section 7-172.



236 (i) On and after July 1, 2011, the [department] commission may sell  
 237 any sealed tickets [it has] that the Department of Consumer Protection  
 238 had in its possession as of [said date] July 1, 2011, provided [it does] the  
 239 commission and department do not purchase any new sealed tickets  
 240 after [said date] July 1, 2011. Permittees shall purchase such sealed  
 241 tickets from the [department] commission at a cost which is equal to ten  
 242 per cent of their resale value, until the [department's] commission's  
 243 supply of sealed tickets has been fully depleted. After the [department's]  
 244 supply of sealed tickets has been fully depleted, permittees shall  
 245 purchase such sealed tickets from a distributor at a cost which is equal  
 246 to ten per cent of their resale value. Each such distributor shall remit  
 247 thirty per cent of its gross revenue derived from such purchase fees to  
 248 the State Treasurer on a quarterly basis.

249 (j) Each applicant for registration as a manufacturer or distributor  
 250 shall apply to the [commissioner] commission on such forms as the  
 251 [commissioner] commission prescribes. A distributor's application shall  
 252 be accompanied by an annual fee of two thousand five hundred dollars,  
 253 payable to the State Treasurer, and a manufacturer's application shall be  
 254 accompanied by an annual fee of five thousand dollars, payable to the  
 255 State Treasurer. Each applicant for an initial manufacturer or distributor  
 256 registration shall submit to state and national criminal history records  
 257 checks conducted in accordance with section 29-17a before such  
 258 registration is issued.

259 (k) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of section 53-  
 260 278b and subsection (d) of section 53-278c, sealed tickets may be sold,  
 261 offered for sale, displayed or open to public view only (1) during the  
 262 course of a bingo game conducted in accordance with the provisions of  
 263 section 7-169 and only at the location at which such bingo game is  
 264 conducted, (2) on the premises of any such organization or group  
 265 specified in subdivision (2) of subsection (h) of this section, (3) during  
 266 the conduct of a bazaar under the provisions of sections 7-170 to 7-186,  
 267 inclusive, as amended by this act, or (4) in conjunction with any social  
 268 function or event sponsored or conducted by any such organization  
 269 specified in subdivision (4) of subsection (h) of this section. Subject to

270 the provisions of section 7-169i, as amended by this act, permittees may  
 271 utilize a mechanical or electronic ticket dispensing machine approved  
 272 by the [department] commission to sell sealed tickets. Sealed tickets  
 273 shall not be sold to any person less than eighteen years of age. All  
 274 proceeds from the sale of tickets shall be used for a charitable purpose,  
 275 as defined in section 21a-190a.

276 (l) The fee for a permit to sell sealed tickets (1) issued to an  
 277 organization authorized to conduct bingo under a "Class A" or "Class C"  
 278 permit or to an organization specified in subdivision (4) of subsection  
 279 (h) of this section in conjunction with any social function or event  
 280 sponsored or conducted by such organization shall be fifty dollars, (2)  
 281 issued to an organization which holds a club permit or nonprofit club  
 282 permit under the provisions of chapter 545 shall be seventy-five dollars,  
 283 and (3) issued to an organization authorized to conduct bingo under a  
 284 "Class B" permit or an organization which holds a permit to operate a  
 285 bazaar shall be five dollars per day.

286 (m) The [commissioner] commission shall adopt regulations in  
 287 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the purposes  
 288 of this section including, but not limited to, regulations concerning (1)  
 289 qualifications of a charitable organization, (2) the price at which the  
 290 charitable organization shall resell tickets, (3) information required on  
 291 the ticket, including, but not limited to, the price per ticket, (4) the  
 292 percentage retained by the organization as profit, which shall be at least  
 293 ten per cent of the resale value of tickets sold, (5) the percentage of the  
 294 resale value of tickets to be awarded as prizes, which shall be at least  
 295 forty-five per cent, (6) apportionment of revenues received by the  
 296 [department] commission from the sale of tickets, and (7) investigations  
 297 of any charitable organization seeking a permit.

298 (n) (1) Whenever it appears to the [commissioner] commission after  
 299 an investigation that any person is violating or is about to violate any  
 300 provision of this section or [administrative] regulations issued pursuant  
 301 [thereto] to this section, the [commissioner] commission may, [in his or  
 302 her discretion,] to protect the public welfare, order that any permit

303 issued pursuant to this section be immediately suspended or revoked  
304 and that the person cease and desist from the actions constituting such  
305 violation or which would constitute such violation. After such an order  
306 is issued, the person named [therein] in the order may, within fourteen  
307 days after receipt of the order, file a written request for a hearing. Such  
308 hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

309 (2) Whenever the [commissioner] commission finds as the result of  
310 an investigation that any person has violated any provision of this  
311 section or [administrative] regulations issued pursuant [thereto] to this  
312 section or made any false statement in any application for a permit or in  
313 any report required by the [commissioner] commission, the  
314 [commissioner] commission may send a notice to such person by  
315 certified mail, return receipt requested. Any such notice shall include  
316 (A) a reference to the section or regulation alleged to have been violated  
317 or the application or report in which an alleged false statement was  
318 made, (B) a short and plain statement of the matter asserted or charged,  
319 (C) the fact that any permit issued pursuant to this section may be  
320 suspended or revoked for such violation or false statement and the  
321 maximum penalty that may be imposed for such violation or false  
322 statement, and (D) the time and place for the hearing. Such hearing shall  
323 be fixed for a date not earlier than fourteen days after the notice is  
324 mailed.

325 (3) The [commissioner] commission shall hold a hearing upon the  
326 charges made unless such person fails to appear at the hearing. Such  
327 hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. If  
328 such person fails to appear at the hearing or if, after the hearing, the  
329 [commissioner] commission finds that such person committed such a  
330 violation or made such a false statement, the [commissioner]  
331 commission may [, in his or her discretion,] suspend or revoke such  
332 permit and order that a civil penalty of not more than five hundred  
333 dollars be imposed upon such person for such violation or false  
334 statement. The [commissioner] commission shall send a copy of any  
335 order issued pursuant to this subdivision by certified mail, return  
336 receipt requested, to any person named in such order. Any person

337 aggrieved by a decision of the [commissioner] commission under this  
338 subdivision shall have a right of appeal pursuant to section 4-183.

339 (4) Whenever the [commissioner] commission revokes a permit  
340 issued pursuant to this section, [he or she] the commission shall not  
341 issue any permit to such permittee for one year after the date of such  
342 revocation.

343 Sec. 8. Section 7-169i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
344 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

345 (a) No permittee pursuant to section 7-169h, as amended by this act,  
346 may use a mechanical or electronic ticket dispensing machine to sell  
347 sealed tickets unless such machine is owned in full by the permittee or  
348 is rented or purchased from a manufacturer or dealer who is registered  
349 with the [Department of Consumer Protection] commission.

350 (b) Each applicant for registration as a manufacturer or dealer in  
351 sealed ticket dispensing machines shall apply to the [commissioner]  
352 commission on such forms as the [commissioner] commission  
353 prescribes. The application for manufacturer shall be accompanied by  
354 an annual fee of one thousand two hundred fifty dollars payable to the  
355 State Treasurer. The application for dealer shall be accompanied by an  
356 annual fee of six hundred twenty-five dollars payable to the State  
357 Treasurer. Each applicant for initial registration shall submit to state and  
358 national criminal history records checks conducted in accordance with  
359 section 29-17a before such registration is issued.

360 (c) The [Department of Consumer Protection] commission may  
361 revoke for cause any registration issued in accordance with subsection  
362 (a) of this section.

363 (d) The [commissioner] commission may adopt regulations, in  
364 accordance with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section.

365 Sec. 9. Section 7-178 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
366 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

367 (a) No bazaar or raffle shall be conducted with any equipment except  
 368 such as is owned absolutely or used without payment of any  
 369 compensation therefor by the permittee or as is rented from a dealer in  
 370 such equipment who (1) has a principal place of business in this state,  
 371 and (2) is registered with the [Commissioner of Consumer Protection]  
 372 Commission on Gaming in such manner and on such form as [he] the  
 373 commission may prescribe, which form shall be accompanied by an  
 374 annual fee of three hundred seventy-five dollars payable to the  
 375 Treasurer of the state of Connecticut. No item of expense shall be  
 376 incurred or paid in connection with the holding, operating or  
 377 conducting of any bazaar or raffle pursuant to any permit issued under  
 378 sections 7-170 to 7-186, inclusive, as amended by this act, except such as  
 379 are bona fide items of reasonable amount for goods, wares and  
 380 merchandise furnished or services rendered, which are reasonably  
 381 necessary to be purchased or furnished for the holding, operating or  
 382 conducting thereof, and no commission, salary, compensation, reward  
 383 or recompense [whatever] whatsoever shall be paid or given, directly or  
 384 indirectly, to any person holding, operating or conducting, or assisting  
 385 in the holding, operation or conduct of, any such bazaar or raffle. Each  
 386 raffle ticket shall have printed thereon the time, date and place of the  
 387 raffle, the three most valuable prizes to be awarded and the total  
 388 number of prizes to be awarded as specified on the form prescribed in  
 389 section 7-173. In addition to any other information required under this  
 390 section to be printed on a raffle ticket, each ticket for a raffle authorized  
 391 pursuant to a "Class No. 7" permit shall have printed thereon the time,  
 392 date and place of each raffle drawing.

393 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, a  
 394 permittee may rent equipment from a dealer who does not have a  
 395 principal place of business in this state if an in-state dealer is  
 396 unavailable, provided such out-of-state dealer is registered with [said  
 397 commissioner] the commission pursuant to [the provisions of said]  
 398 subsection (a) of this section.

399 Sec. 10. Section 12-3a of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes  
 400 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*

401 *January 1, 2021):*

402 (a) There is created a Penalty Review Committee, which shall consist  
403 of the State Comptroller or an employee of the office of the State  
404 Comptroller designated by said Comptroller, the Secretary of the Office  
405 of Policy and Management or an employee of the Office of Policy and  
406 Management designated by said secretary and the Commissioner of  
407 Revenue Services or an employee of the Department of Revenue  
408 Services designated by said commissioner. Said committee shall meet  
409 monthly or as often as necessary to approve any waiver of penalty in  
410 excess of five thousand dollars, which the Commissioner of Revenue  
411 Services is authorized to waive in accordance with this title, or which  
412 the [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming is  
413 authorized to waive in accordance with chapter 226. A majority vote of  
414 the committee shall be required for approval of such waiver.

415 (b) An itemized statement of all waivers approved under this section  
416 shall be available to the public for inspection by any person.

417 (c) The Penalty Review Committee created pursuant to subsection (a)  
418 of this section shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54,  
419 establishing guidelines for the waiver of any penalty in accordance with  
420 this section.

421 (d) Any person aggrieved by the action of the Penalty Review  
422 Committee may, not later than thirty days after notice of such action is  
423 delivered or mailed to such person, appeal therefrom to the superior  
424 court for the judicial district of New Britain, which shall be accompanied  
425 by a citation to the members of said committee to appear before said  
426 court. Such citation shall be signed by the same authority, and such  
427 appeal shall be returnable at the same time and served and returned in  
428 the same manner as is required in case of a summons in a civil action.  
429 The authority issuing the citation shall take from the appellant a bond  
430 or recognizance to the state of Connecticut with surety to prosecute the  
431 appeal to effect and to comply with the orders and decrees of the court  
432 in the premises. Such appeals shall be preferred cases, to be heard,

433 unless cause appears to the contrary, at the first session, by the court or  
434 by a committee appointed by it. Said court may grant such relief as may  
435 be equitable. If the appeal is without probable cause, the court may tax  
436 double or triple costs, as the case demands; and, upon all such appeals  
437 which may be denied, costs may be taxed against the appellant at the  
438 discretion of the court, but no costs shall be taxed against the state.

439 Sec. 11. Section 12-557b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
440 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

441 As used in this chapter, sections 12-578a to 12-578e, inclusive, as  
442 amended by this act, 12-579, as amended by this act, and 12-580, chapter  
443 226b, and section 53-278g, as amended by this act, unless the context  
444 otherwise requires:

445 [(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Consumer  
446 Protection;

447 (2) "Department" means the Department of Consumer Protection;]

448 (1) "Commission" means the Commission on Gaming;

449 [(3)] (2) "Business organization" means a partnership, incorporated or  
450 unincorporated association, firm, corporation, trust or other form of  
451 business or legal entity, other than a financial institution regulated by a  
452 state or federal agency which is not exercising control over an  
453 association licensee, but does not mean a governmental or sovereign  
454 entity;

455 [(4)] (3) "Control" means the power to exercise authority over or direct  
456 the management and policies of a person or business organization;

457 [(5)] (4) "Casino gaming facility" means any casino gaming facility  
458 authorized by any provision of the general statutes or a public or special  
459 act to conduct authorized games on its premises, but does not include  
460 any casino gaming facility located on Indian lands pursuant to the  
461 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq.;

462        [(6)] (5) "Authorized game" means any game of chance specifically  
463 authorized to be conducted at a casino gaming facility by any provision  
464 of the general statutes or a public or special act; and

465        [(7)] (6) "Gross gaming revenue" means the total of all sums actually  
466 received by a casino gaming facility from gaming operations less the  
467 total of all sums paid as winnings to patrons of the casino gaming  
468 facility, provided the total of all sums paid as winnings to such patrons  
469 shall not include the cash equivalent value of any merchandise or thing  
470 of value included in a jackpot or payout, and provided further the  
471 issuance to or wagering by such patrons of any promotional gaming  
472 credit shall not be included in the total of all sums actually received by  
473 a casino gaming facility for the purposes of determining gross gaming  
474 revenue.

475        Sec. 12. Section 12-559 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
476 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

477        The [commissioner] commission may employ stewards for  
478 thoroughbred racing, judges for harness racing, greyhound racing and  
479 jai alai, and veterinarians who shall be exempt from classified service,  
480 and may employ, subject to the provisions of chapter 67, such other  
481 employees as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this  
482 chapter. The [commissioner] commission shall require such persons to  
483 submit to state and national criminal history records checks before being  
484 employed. The criminal history records checks required pursuant to this  
485 section shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. All  
486 persons employed pursuant to this section, with the exception of any  
487 steward, judge or veterinarian, shall be residents of the state at the time  
488 of and during the full term of their employment.

489        Sec. 13. Section 12-560 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
490 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

491        The [commissioner] commission may, if [he] the executive director of  
492 the commission determines that it is necessary, require any of the  
493 [department's] commission's employees to give bond in such amount as



494 the [commissioner] executive director may determine. Every such bond  
495 when duly executed and approved shall be filed in the office of the  
496 Secretary of the State. The cost of any such bond so given [as aforesaid]  
497 shall be part of the necessary expenses of the [department] commission.

498 Sec. 14. Section 12-561 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
499 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

500 No [commissioner or] commission member, executive director of the  
501 commission, unit head or employee of the [department] commission  
502 shall directly or indirectly, individually or as a member of a partnership  
503 or as a shareholder of a corporation, have any interest whatsoever in  
504 dealing in any lottery, racing, fronton, betting enterprise or casino  
505 gaming facility or in the ownership or leasing of any property or  
506 premises used by or for any lottery, racing, fronton, betting enterprise  
507 or casino gaming facility. No [commissioner or] commission member,  
508 executive director or unit head shall, directly or indirectly, wager at any  
509 off-track betting facility, race track or fronton authorized under this  
510 chapter, purchase lottery tickets issued under this chapter or play,  
511 directly or indirectly, any authorized game conducted at a casino  
512 gaming facility. The [commissioner] commission may adopt regulations  
513 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to prohibit any  
514 employee of the [department] commission from engaging, directly or  
515 indirectly, in any form of legalized gambling activity in which such  
516 employee is involved because of his or her employment with the  
517 [department] commission. For purposes of this section, "unit head"  
518 means a managerial employee with direct oversight of a legalized  
519 gambling activity.

520 Sec. 15. Section 12-562 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
521 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

522 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the  
523 [commissioner] commission shall have power to enforce the provisions  
524 of this chapter and chapter 226b, and shall adopt all necessary  
525 regulations for that purpose and for carrying out, enforcing and

526 preventing violation of any of the provisions of this chapter, for the  
 527 inspection of licensed premises, enterprises or casino gaming facilities,  
 528 for insuring proper, safe and orderly conduct of licensed premises,  
 529 enterprises or casino gaming facilities and for protecting the public  
 530 against fraud or overcharge. The [commissioner] commission shall have  
 531 power generally to do whatever is reasonably necessary for the carrying  
 532 out of the intent of this chapter; and may call upon other administrative  
 533 departments of the state government and of municipal governments for  
 534 such information and assistance as [he or she] the commission deems  
 535 necessary to the performance of [his or her] the commission's duties. The  
 536 [commissioner] commission shall set racing and jai alai meeting dates,  
 537 except that the [commissioner] commission may delegate to designated  
 538 staff the authority for setting make-up performance dates. The  
 539 [commissioner] commission shall, as far as practicable, avoid conflicts  
 540 in the dates assigned for racing or the exhibition of the game of jai alai  
 541 in the state.

542 (b) The special [policemen] police officers in the [Department of  
 543 Consumer Protection] commission and the legalized gambling  
 544 investigative unit in the Division of State Police within the Department  
 545 of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall be responsible for the  
 546 criminal enforcement of the provisions of sections 7-169 to 7-186,  
 547 inclusive, as amended by this act, this chapter and chapters 226b and  
 548 229a. [They] The special police officers shall have the powers and duties  
 549 specified in section 29-7c, as amended by this act.

550 Sec. 16. Section 12-563 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 551 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

552 All regulations of the [department] commission shall be adopted [in  
 553 the manner provided] in accordance with chapter 54. The  
 554 [commissioner] commission shall, at least annually, on or before  
 555 December thirty-first of each year, either (1) publish in convenient  
 556 pamphlet form all regulations then in force and shall furnish copies of  
 557 such pamphlets to such persons who desire such pamphlets, or (2) post  
 558 such regulations on the [department's] commission's Internet web site.

559       Sec. 17. Section 12-563a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
560 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

561       The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] commission shall,  
562 within available resources, prepare and distribute informational  
563 materials designed to inform the public of the programs available for  
564 the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of compulsive gamblers in  
565 this state. The [commissioner] commission shall require any casino  
566 gaming facility and any person or business organization which is  
567 licensed to sell lottery tickets, operate an off-track betting system or  
568 conduct wagering on racing events or jai alai games, to display such  
569 informational materials at the casino gaming facility and each licensed  
570 premise, respectively.

571       Sec. 18. Section 12-564 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
572 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

573       (a) The [commissioner] commission shall make an annual report in  
574 writing to the Governor as provided in section 4-60 and shall make such  
575 additional reports as the Governor may from time to time reasonably  
576 request. The annual report shall include a statement of the receipts and  
577 disbursements of the [department] commission, a statement of the costs  
578 of administering the [department] commission, a summary of its  
579 activities, and any additional information and recommendations which  
580 the [commissioner] commission may deem of value or which the  
581 Governor may request.

582       (b) The [commissioner] commission shall conduct studies concerning  
583 the effect of legalized gambling on the citizens of this state including,  
584 but not limited to, studies to determine the types of gambling activity  
585 engaged in by the public and the desirability of expanding, maintaining  
586 or reducing the amount of legalized gambling permitted in this state.  
587 Such studies shall be conducted as often as the [commissioner]  
588 commission deems necessary, except that no studies shall be conducted  
589 before the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and thereafter studies shall  
590 be conducted at least once every ten years. The joint standing

591 [committees] committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
 592 matters relating to [legalized gambling] public safety and security shall  
 593 [each] receive a report concerning each study [carried out] conducted,  
 594 stating the findings of the study and the costs of conducting the study.

595 Sec. 19. Section 12-564a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 596 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

597 The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] commission shall  
 598 submit a report to the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
 599 Protection and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
 600 having cognizance of matters relating to [legalized gambling] public  
 601 safety and security, not later than the fifteenth business day of each  
 602 month, which report shall set forth a detailed statement of (1) any  
 603 investigations conducted by the [Department of Consumer Protection]  
 604 commission in the previous month, and (2) such arrest data as the  
 605 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection or the  
 606 committee may require, including, but not limited to, the number of  
 607 arrests made by the special [policemen] police officers in the security  
 608 unit of the [Department of Consumer Protection] commission.

609 Sec. 20. Section 12-565 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 610 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

611 The [commissioner] commission may conduct any inquiry,  
 612 investigation or hearing necessary to carry out the provisions of this  
 613 chapter. The [commissioner] commission shall have power to  
 614 administer oaths and take testimony under oath concerning the matter  
 615 of inquiry or investigation. At any hearing ordered, the [commissioner]  
 616 commission or an agent authorized by law to issue such process may  
 617 subpoena witnesses and require the production of records, papers and  
 618 documents pertinent to such inquiry. No witness under subpoena  
 619 issued under the provisions of this section shall be excused from  
 620 testifying or from producing records, papers or documents on the  
 621 ground that such testimony or the production of such records or other  
 622 documentary evidence would tend to incriminate him, but such

623 evidence or the records or papers so produced shall not be used in any  
 624 criminal proceeding against him. If any person disobeys such process  
 625 or, having appeared in obedience thereto, refuses to answer any  
 626 pertinent question put to him or to produce any records and papers  
 627 pursuant thereto, the [commissioner] commission may apply to the  
 628 superior court for the judicial district of Hartford or for the judicial  
 629 district wherein the person resides or wherein the business has been  
 630 conducted, or to any judge of said court if the same is not in session,  
 631 setting forth such disobedience to process or refusal to answer. Said  
 632 court or such judge shall cite such person to appear before said court or  
 633 such judge to answer such question or to produce such records and  
 634 papers and, upon his refusal to do so, shall commit such person to a  
 635 community correctional center until he testifies, but not for a longer  
 636 period than sixty days. Notwithstanding the serving of the term of such  
 637 commitment by any person, the [commissioner] commission may  
 638 proceed with such inquiry and examination as if the witness had not  
 639 previously been called upon to testify. Officers who serve subpoenas  
 640 issued by the [commissioner] commission or under [his] the  
 641 commission's authority and witnesses attending hearings conducted  
 642 under this section shall receive the same fees and compensation as  
 643 officers and witnesses in the courts of this state to be paid on vouchers  
 644 of the [department] commission on order of the Comptroller. The  
 645 [commissioner] commission may delegate the powers granted to [him]  
 646 it under this section.

647       Sec. 21. Section 12-565a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 648 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

649       The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] commission shall adopt  
 650 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to regulate  
 651 wagering on sporting events to the extent permitted by state and federal  
 652 law.

653       Sec. 22. Section 12-566 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 654 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

655 The [commissioner] commission shall provide books in which shall  
656 be kept a true, faithful and correct record of all of the [department's]  
657 commission's proceedings, which books shall be open to the public as  
658 provided in section 1-210.

659 Sec. 23. Section 12-568a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
660 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

661 The [Department of Consumer Protection] commission shall adopt  
662 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, for the purpose of [assuring]  
663 ensuring the integrity of the state lottery, concerning the regulation of  
664 the state lottery under the operation and management of the  
665 Connecticut Lottery Corporation. Such regulations shall include  
666 provisions governing: (1) The licensing of employees of the Connecticut  
667 Lottery Corporation and any person or business organization awarded  
668 the primary contract by said corporation to provide facilities,  
669 components, goods or services which are necessary for the operation of  
670 the activities authorized by chapter 229a; (2) the approval of procedures  
671 of the corporation; (3) the time period for complying with the  
672 regulations governing said approval of procedures; (4) offerings of  
673 lottery games; (5) minimum prize payouts and payments; (6) regulation  
674 of lottery sales agents including qualifications for licensure and license  
675 suspension and revocation; (7) assurance of the integrity of the state  
676 lottery including the computer gaming system, computer internal  
677 control and system testing; and (8) limitations on advertising and  
678 marketing content to assure public information as to the odds of  
679 winning the lottery and the prohibition of sales of tickets to minors.

680 Sec. 24. Section 12-569 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
681 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

682 (a) If the president of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation  
683 determines that any lottery sales agent has breached such agent's  
684 fiduciary responsibility to the corporation in that the account of such  
685 lottery sales agent with respect to moneys received from the sale of  
686 lottery tickets has become delinquent in accordance with regulations

687 adopted as provided in section 12-568a, as amended by this act, the  
 688 president shall notify the [commissioner] commission of the breach of  
 689 fiduciary duty and the [commissioner] commission shall impose a  
 690 delinquency assessment upon such account equal to ten per cent of the  
 691 amount due or ten dollars, whichever amount is greater, plus interest at  
 692 the rate of one and one-half per cent of such amount for each month or  
 693 fraction of a month from the date such amount is due to the date of  
 694 payment. Subject to the provisions of section 12-3a, as amended by this  
 695 act, the [commissioner] commission may waive all or part of the  
 696 penalties provided under this subsection when it is proven to the  
 697 [commissioner's] commission's satisfaction that the failure to pay such  
 698 moneys to the state within the time allowed was due to reasonable cause  
 699 and was not intentional or due to neglect. Any such delinquent lottery  
 700 sales agent shall be notified of such delinquency assessment and shall  
 701 be afforded an opportunity to contest the validity and amount of such  
 702 assessment [before the commissioner who may conduct such hearing]  
 703 at a commission hearing. Upon request of the president of the  
 704 Connecticut Lottery Corporation, the [commissioner] commission may  
 705 prepare and sign a warrant directed to any state marshal, constable or  
 706 any collection agent employed by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation  
 707 for distraint upon any property of such delinquent lottery sales agent  
 708 within the state, whether personal or real property. An itemized bill  
 709 shall be attached to the warrant certified by the [commissioner]  
 710 commission as a true statement of the amount due from such lottery  
 711 sales agent. Such warrant shall have the same force and effect as an  
 712 execution issued in accordance with chapter 906. Such warrant shall be  
 713 levied on any real, personal, tangible or intangible property of such  
 714 agent and sale made pursuant to such warrant in the same manner and  
 715 with the same force and effect as a levy and sale pursuant to an  
 716 execution.

717 (b) The [commissioner] commission shall adopt regulations in  
 718 accordance with chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section.

719 Sec. 25. Section 12-571 of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes  
 720 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*

721 January 1, 2021):

722 (a) The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] commission shall  
 723 enter into negotiations with a person or business organization for the  
 724 award of a contract of sale of the off-track betting system including, but  
 725 not limited to, the assets and liabilities of the system and the right to  
 726 operate the system. Such contract of sale shall authorize the purchaser  
 727 of the system to establish and conduct a system of off-track betting on  
 728 races held within or without the state pursuant to the provisions of this  
 729 chapter. All proceeds derived from such sale shall be deposited as  
 730 provided in section 39 of public act 93-332. Until the effective date of  
 731 transfer of ownership of the off-track betting system, the [commissioner]  
 732 commission shall establish and conduct systems of off-track betting on  
 733 races held within or without the state pursuant to the provisions of this  
 734 chapter.

735 (b) It is hereby declared that off-track betting on races conducted  
 736 under the administration or regulatory authority of the [department]  
 737 commission in the manner and subject to the conditions of this chapter  
 738 shall be lawful notwithstanding the provisions of any other law,  
 739 general, special or municipal, including any law prohibiting or  
 740 restricting lotteries, bookmaking or any other kind of gambling, it being  
 741 the purpose of this chapter to derive from such betting, as authorized  
 742 by this chapter, a reasonable revenue for the support of state  
 743 government and to prevent and curb unlawful bookmaking and illegal  
 744 betting on races.

745 (c) Until the effective date of transfer of ownership of the off-track  
 746 betting system, the [commissioner] commission shall adopt rules and  
 747 regulations, consistent with this chapter, establishing and governing the  
 748 permitted method or methods of operation of the system of off-track  
 749 betting.

750 (d) For the purposes of this section, the effective date of transfer of  
 751 ownership of the off-track betting system was June 30, 1993.

752 Sec. 26. Section 12-571a of the general statutes is repealed and the



753 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

754 (a) The [Department of Consumer Protection] commission shall not  
 755 operate or authorize the operation of more than twenty-four off-track  
 756 betting branch facilities, except that the [department] commission may  
 757 operate or authorize the operation of any off-track betting branch  
 758 facility approved prior to December 31, 1986, by the legislative body of  
 759 a municipality in accordance with subsection (a) of section 12-572, as  
 760 amended by this act. Any facility approved prior to December 31, 1986,  
 761 shall be included within the twenty-four facilities authorized by this  
 762 subsection.

763 (b) The twenty-four off-track betting branch facilities authorized by  
 764 subsection (a) of this section may include facilities which have screens  
 765 for the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or jai alai games  
 766 and other amenities including, but not limited to, restaurants and  
 767 concessions, and, on and after October 1, 2012, shall be located in the  
 768 town and city of New Haven, the town of Windsor Locks, the town of  
 769 East Haven, the town and city of Norwalk, the town and city of  
 770 Hartford, the town and city of New Britain, the town and city of Bristol,  
 771 the town and city of Torrington, the town and city of Waterbury, the  
 772 town and city of Milford, the town and city of New London, the town  
 773 of Manchester, the town of Windham, the town of Putnam, the town  
 774 and city of Bridgeport and nine additional locations. The location of  
 775 each such facility and the addition of simulcasting capability to any  
 776 existing off-track betting branch facility that did not previously have  
 777 such capability (1) shall be approved by the [commissioner]  
 778 commission, and (2) shall be subject to the prior approval of the  
 779 legislative body of the town in which such facility is located or is  
 780 proposed to be located. The [department] commission shall report  
 781 annually to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
 782 having cognizance of matters relating to [legalized gambling] public  
 783 safety and security on the status of the establishment or improvement  
 784 of the off-track betting branch facility pursuant to this subsection.

785 Sec. 27. Section 12-572 of the general statutes is repealed and the

786 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

787 (a) The [commissioner] commission may establish or authorize the  
 788 establishment of such off-track betting facilities throughout the state for  
 789 the purpose of receiving moneys wagered on the results of races or jai  
 790 alai games as [he shall deem] the commission determines will serve the  
 791 convenience of the public and provide maximum economy and  
 792 efficiency of operation, provided the establishment of such a facility in  
 793 any municipality for the purpose of receiving moneys on the results of  
 794 races or jai alai games shall be subject to the approval of the legislative  
 795 body of such municipality which shall be given only after a public  
 796 hearing on the same. Until the effective date of transfer of ownership of  
 797 the off-track betting system, moneys received at such facilities shall be  
 798 deposited in a betting fund from which daily payments, in such amount  
 799 as the [commissioner] commission deems suitable, shall be made. If an  
 800 operator of an off-track betting facility intends to conduct wagering on  
 801 dog racing events or jai alai games, such operator (1) shall conduct  
 802 wagering on dog racing events or jai alai games conducted by any  
 803 association licensee which offers such racing events or games for off-  
 804 track betting, provided such operator obtains the written consent of  
 805 such licensee, and (2) may conduct wagering on out-of-state dog racing  
 806 events or jai alai games when no such association licensee is conducting  
 807 such racing events or games, provided such operator has complied with  
 808 the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection. No operator of an  
 809 off-track betting facility shall conduct wagering on any dog racing event  
 810 or jai alai game if such racing event or game is conducted within forty  
 811 miles of such facility unless such operator has obtained the written  
 812 consent of the licensee conducting such racing event or game.

813 (b) The [commissioner] commission may contract with any person or  
 814 business organization to provide such facilities, components, goods or  
 815 services as may be necessary for the effective operation of an off-track  
 816 betting system. Compensation for such facilities, components, goods or  
 817 services shall be deducted from the moneys retained pursuant to  
 818 subsections (c) and (d) of this section in such amount as the  
 819 [commissioner] commission shall determine.

820 (c) The [department] commission or any person or business  
 821 organization operating an off-track betting system shall distribute all  
 822 sums deposited in a pari-mutuel pool, to the holders of winning tickets  
 823 therein, less seventeen per cent of the total deposits of such pool plus  
 824 the breakage to the dime of the amount so retained, except as provided  
 825 in subsection (d) of this section.

826 (d) (1) If the multiple forms of wagering known as daily double,  
 827 exacta and quinella are permitted, the [department] commission or any  
 828 person or business organization operating the off-track betting system  
 829 shall distribute all sums deposited in the pari-mutuel pool for any such  
 830 event to the holders of winning tickets therein, less nineteen per cent of  
 831 the total deposits in such pool plus the breakage to the dime.

832 (2) If multiple forms of wagering on three or more animals are  
 833 permitted, the [department] commission or such person or business  
 834 organization operating an off-track betting system shall retain twenty-  
 835 four and one-half per cent of the total sums deposited in the pool for  
 836 such event, plus the breakage to the dime.

837 (e) The [department] commission or any person or business  
 838 organization operating an off-track betting system and conducting  
 839 wagering on racing events or jai alai games held in this state and  
 840 licensed under the provisions of this chapter shall distribute all sums  
 841 deposited in a pari-mutuel pool to the holders of winning tickets  
 842 therein, less the same percentage of the total deposits of such pool  
 843 applicable to such racing events or jai alai games plus the breakage to  
 844 the dime of the amount retained by each licensee conducting the racing  
 845 events or jai alai games.

846 (f) Any person or business organization which has entered into a  
 847 contract with the state, acting through the [commissioner] commission  
 848 under the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, except a contract  
 849 with an individual for personal services, may, in the event of any  
 850 disputed claims under such contract, bring an action against the state to  
 851 the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford for the purpose of

852 having such claims determined, provided notice of the general nature  
 853 of such claims [shall have] has been given in writing to the [department]  
 854 commission not later than one year after the termination of such  
 855 contract. No action shall be brought under this section later than three  
 856 years from the date of termination of the contract. Such action shall be  
 857 tried to the court without a jury. Damages recoverable in such action  
 858 shall not include any amount attributable to anticipated profits but shall  
 859 be limited to the recovery of actual damages sustained arising out of  
 860 such contract. All legal defenses except governmental immunity shall  
 861 be reserved to the state.

862 (g) The [department] commission or any person or business  
 863 organization operating an off-track betting system may combine wagers  
 864 placed within such off-track betting system with similar wagering pools  
 865 at the facility where a racing program is being conducted, regardless of  
 866 whether such facility is located within or without the state. Such pari-  
 867 mutuel wagers shall be combined in such form and manner as the  
 868 [commissioner] commission may determine to be in the best interests of  
 869 the off-track betting system established pursuant to the provisions of  
 870 section 12-571, as amended by this act. Notwithstanding the provisions  
 871 of subsection (c) or (d) of this section, the [department] commission or  
 872 any person or business organization operating an off-track betting  
 873 system and conducting wagering on racing events held without this  
 874 state [,] may distribute to the holders of winning tickets who have  
 875 placed wagers in said combined pools such sums as may be deposited  
 876 in said combined pari-mutuel pools, less the same percentage of the total  
 877 deposits of such combined pools as is established at the facility where  
 878 such racing program is conducted plus the breakage to the dime, as shall  
 879 be determined by the [commissioner] commission.

880 Sec. 28. Section 12-573 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 881 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

882 Until the effective date of transfer of ownership of the off-track  
 883 betting system, and from time to time thereafter the [commissioner]  
 884 commission shall estimate, and certify to the Comptroller, that portion

885 of the balance in the betting fund which is in excess of the current needs  
886 of the [department] commission for the payment of prizes and for the  
887 payment of compensation under section 12-572, as amended by this act.  
888 Upon receipt of any such certification, the amount so certified shall be  
889 transferred from the betting fund to the General Fund.

890 Sec. 29. Section 12-573a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
891 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

892 The [department] commission may authorize the operation of  
893 frontons in the state for exhibition of the Spanish ball game called jai alai  
894 or pelota. The operation of all frontons shall be under the supervision of  
895 the [department] commission.

896 Sec. 30. Section 12-574 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
897 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

898 (a) No person or business organization may conduct a meeting at  
899 which racing or the exhibition of jai alai is permitted for any stake, purse  
900 or reward or operate the off-track betting system unless such person or  
901 business organization is licensed as an association licensee by the  
902 [commissioner] commission. Any such licensee authorized to conduct a  
903 meeting or operate the off-track betting system shall indemnify and save  
904 harmless the state of Connecticut against any and all actions, claims, and  
905 demands of whatever kind or nature which the state may sustain or  
906 incur by reason or in consequence of issuing such license.

907 (b) No person or business organization may operate any concession  
908 at any meeting at which racing or the exhibition of jai alai is permitted  
909 or any concession which is allied to an off-track betting facility unless  
910 such person or business organization is licensed as a concessionaire  
911 licensee by the [commissioner] commission.

912 (c) No person or business organization awarded the primary contract  
913 by an association licensee to provide facilities, components, goods or  
914 services which are necessary for the operation of the activities  
915 authorized by the provisions of section 12-572, as amended by this act,

916 may do so unless such person or business organization is licensed as a  
917 vendor licensee by the [commissioner] commission.

918 (d) No person or business organization may provide totalizator  
919 equipment and services to any association licensee for the operation of  
920 a pari-mutuel system unless such person or business organization is  
921 licensed as a totalizator licensee by the [commissioner] commission.

922 (e) No business organization, other than a shareholder in a publicly  
923 traded corporation, may exercise control in or over an association, a  
924 concessionaire, a vendor or a totalizator licensee unless such business  
925 organization is licensed as an affiliate licensee by the [commissioner]  
926 commission. The [commissioner] commission shall issue affiliate  
927 licenses to qualified business organizations.

928 (f) No person may participate in this state in any activity permitted  
929 under this chapter as an employee of an association, concessionaire,  
930 vendor, totalizator or affiliate licensee unless such person is licensed as  
931 an occupational licensee by the [commissioner] commission. Whether  
932 located in or out of this state, no officer, director, partner, trustee or  
933 owner of a business organization which obtains a license in accordance  
934 with this section may continue in such capacity unless such officer,  
935 director, partner, trustee or owner is licensed as an occupational licensee  
936 by the [commissioner] commission. An occupational license shall also  
937 be obtained by any shareholder, key executive, agent or other person  
938 connected with any association, concessionaire, vendor, totalizator or  
939 affiliate licensee, who in the judgment of the [commissioner]  
940 commission will exercise control in or over any such licensee. Such  
941 person shall apply for a license not later than thirty days after the  
942 [commissioner] commission requests [him] such person, in writing, to  
943 do so. The [commissioner] commission shall complete [his] an  
944 investigation of an applicant for an occupational license and notify such  
945 applicant of [his] the commission's decision to approve or deny the  
946 application within one year after its receipt, or, if the [commissioner]  
947 commission determines good cause exists for extending such period of  
948 investigation and gives the applicant a reasonable opportunity for a

949 hearing, by the date prescribed by the [commissioner] commission.

950 (g) In determining whether to grant a license, the [commissioner]  
951 commission may require the applicant to submit information as to:  
952 Financial standing and credit; moral character; criminal record, if any;  
953 previous employment; corporate, partnership or association affiliations;  
954 ownership of personal assets; and such other information as it [or he]  
955 deems pertinent to the issuance of such license.

956 (h) The [commissioner] commission may reject for good cause an  
957 application for a license. Any license granted under the provisions of  
958 this chapter is a revocable privilege and no licensee shall be deemed to  
959 have acquired any vested rights based on the issuance of such license.  
960 The [commissioner, the deputy commissioner, the executive assistant]  
961 commission members, executive director, any unit head or any assistant  
962 unit head authorized by the [commissioner] commission may suspend  
963 or revoke for good cause any license issued by the [commissioner]  
964 commission after a hearing held in accordance with chapter 54. If any  
965 affiliate licensee fails to comply with the provisions of this chapter, the  
966 [commissioner] commission, after a hearing held in accordance with  
967 chapter 54, may revoke or suspend the license of any one or more of the  
968 following related licensees: Concessionaire, vendor or totalizator, and  
969 may fine any one or more of such licensees in an amount not to exceed  
970 two thousand five hundred dollars. In addition, if any affiliate licensee  
971 fails to comply with the provisions of this chapter, the [commissioner]  
972 commission, after a hearing held in accordance with chapter 54, may  
973 revoke or suspend the license of the related association licensee, [and  
974 may] fine the related association licensee in an amount not to exceed  
975 seventy-five thousand dollars, or both. If any license is suspended or  
976 revoked, the [commissioner] commission shall state the reasons for such  
977 suspension or revocation and cause an entry of such reasons to be made  
978 on the record books of the [department] commission. Any licensee  
979 whose license is suspended or revoked, or any applicant aggrieved by  
980 the action of the [commissioner] commission concerning an application  
981 for a license, may appeal pursuant to section 4-183.

982 (i) The [commissioner] commission shall adopt regulations  
 983 governing the operation of the off-track betting system and facilities,  
 984 tracks, stables, kennels and frontons, including the regulation of betting  
 985 in connection therewith, to insure the integrity and security of the  
 986 conduct of meetings and the broadcast of racing events held pursuant  
 987 to this chapter. Such regulations shall include provision for the  
 988 imposition of fines and suspension of licenses for violations thereof.  
 989 Prior to the adoption of any regulations concerning the treatment of  
 990 animals at any dog race track, the [commissioner] commission shall  
 991 notify the National Greyhound Association of the contents of such  
 992 regulations and of its right to request a hearing pursuant to chapter 54.  
 993 The [commissioner] commission shall have the authority to impose a  
 994 fine of up to (1) seventy-five thousand dollars for any violation of such  
 995 regulations by a licensee authorized to conduct a meeting or operate the  
 996 off-track betting system under this section; (2) five thousand dollars for  
 997 any violation of such regulations by a business organization licensed as  
 998 an affiliate licensee authorized to exercise control over an association;  
 999 and (3) two thousand five hundred dollars for any such violation by any  
 1000 other licensee licensed by the [commissioner] commission. The stewards  
 1001 or judges of a meeting acting in accordance with such regulations shall  
 1002 have the authority to impose a fine of up to five hundred dollars for any  
 1003 such violation by such licensee, and the players' manager of a jai alai  
 1004 exhibition acting in accordance with such regulations shall have the  
 1005 authority to recommend to the judges that a fine should be considered  
 1006 for a player who may have violated such regulations. The  
 1007 [commissioner] commission may delegate to the stewards and judges of  
 1008 a meeting the power to suspend the license of any occupational licensee  
 1009 employed in this state by an association licensee for a period not to  
 1010 exceed sixty days for any violation of such regulations. If any license is  
 1011 suspended, such stewards and judges of a meeting shall state the  
 1012 reasons therefor in writing. All fines imposed pursuant to this section  
 1013 shall be paid over to the General Fund upon receipt by the [department]  
 1014 commission. Any person or business organization fined or suspended  
 1015 pursuant to this section shall have a right of appeal to the  
 1016 [commissioner] commission for a hearing that shall be conducted



1017 pursuant to chapter 54. Any person or business organization aggrieved  
1018 by a decision of the [commissioner] commission following such a  
1019 hearing shall have a right of appeal pursuant to section 4-183.

1020 (j) The [commissioner] commission shall have the power to require  
1021 that the books and records of any licensee, other than an occupational  
1022 licensee, shall be maintained in any manner [which he may deem] that  
1023 the commission deems best, and that any financial or other statements  
1024 based on such books and records shall be prepared in accordance with  
1025 generally accepted accounting principles in such form as [he] the  
1026 commission shall prescribe. The [commissioner or his] commission or a  
1027 commission designee shall also be authorized to visit, to investigate and  
1028 to place expert accountants and such other persons as [he] the  
1029 commission may deem necessary, in the offices, tracks, frontons, off-  
1030 track betting facilities or places of business of any such licensee, for the  
1031 purpose of satisfying [himself or herself] the commission that the  
1032 [department's] commission's regulations are strictly complied with.

1033 (k) The [commissioner] commission may at any time for good cause  
1034 require the removal of any employee or official employed by any  
1035 licensee hereunder.

1036 (l) The [commissioner] commission may, on [his or her own] the  
1037 commission's motion or upon application, exempt any person or  
1038 business organization from the licensing requirements of this chapter or  
1039 some or all of the disclosure requirements of chapter 226b, provided the  
1040 applicant does not exercise control in or over an integral part of any  
1041 activity which is authorized under this chapter. The burden of proving  
1042 that an exemption should be granted rests solely with the applicant. The  
1043 [commissioner] commission may limit or condition the terms of an  
1044 exemption and such determination shall be final.

1045 (m) Any person aiding or abetting in the operation of an off-track  
1046 betting system or the conduct of any meeting within this state at which  
1047 racing or the exhibition of the game of jai alai shall be permitted for any  
1048 stake, purse or reward, except in accordance with a license duly issued

1049 and unsuspended or unrevoked by the [commissioner] commission,  
1050 shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

1051 (n) The majority of the membership of the board of directors of any  
1052 corporation licensed to operate the off-track betting system or to hold or  
1053 conduct any meeting within the state of Connecticut at which racing or  
1054 the exhibition of the game of jai alai shall be permitted for any stake,  
1055 purse or reward, shall be residents of the state of Connecticut.

1056 (o) Any license granted under this section, other than an association  
1057 license authorizing the licensee to conduct a meeting or operate the off-  
1058 track betting system, as described in subsection (a) of this section, or an  
1059 affiliate license authorizing the licensee to exercise control in or over an  
1060 association licensee, as described in subsection (e) of this section, shall  
1061 be effective for not more than one year from the date of issuance. Initial  
1062 application for and renewal of any license shall be in such form and  
1063 manner as the [commissioner] commission shall prescribe by regulation.

1064 (p) Any person or business organization issued a license to conduct  
1065 dog racing shall establish a pet adoption program for the proper  
1066 housing and care of retired greyhounds and shall provide financial  
1067 support for such program and any facility operated to implement such  
1068 program.

1069 (q) Any person or business organization issued a license to conduct  
1070 dog racing pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-574c, as amended by  
1071 this act, shall employ persons who, at the time of employment, are  
1072 recipients of assistance under the state-administered general assistance  
1073 program, state supplement program, medical assistance program,  
1074 temporary family assistance program or supplemental nutrition  
1075 assistance program to fill not less than twenty per cent of the positions  
1076 created by the conversion of a jai alai fronton to a dog race track if such  
1077 persons have been trained for such employment by public or publicly  
1078 funded agencies in coordination with such licensee.

1079 (r) Any person or business organization issued a license to conduct  
1080 dog racing pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-574c, as amended by

1081 this act, shall provide an on-site child care center, as described in section  
 1082 19a-77, for use by employees of the dog race track. Such licensee shall  
 1083 employ persons who, at the time of employment, are recipients of aid  
 1084 under chapter 302 or 308 to fill not less than fifty per cent of the positions  
 1085 at such child care center if such persons have been trained for such  
 1086 employment by public or publicly funded agencies in coordination with  
 1087 such licensee.

1088 (s) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter to the  
 1089 contrary, any person or business organization issued a license to  
 1090 conduct dog racing may operate on a year-round basis and may conduct  
 1091 such number of performances as it may elect, provided the total number  
 1092 of such performances does not exceed five hundred eighty  
 1093 performances in any calendar year.

1094 Sec. 31. Section 12-574a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1095 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1096 (a) Whenever a person or business organization files an application  
 1097 with the [department] commission for a license to conduct an activity  
 1098 regulated by section 12-574, as amended by this act, exclusive of renewal  
 1099 license applications, the [department] commission shall forward within  
 1100 five days to the town clerk of the town within which such activity is  
 1101 proposed to be carried on a statement specifying the prospective  
 1102 applicant, the proposed activity, the site on which such activity is  
 1103 proposed to be conducted and the fact that an application has been filed  
 1104 with the [department] commission. Within ten days after such statement  
 1105 has been filed, such town clerk shall cause notice of such filing to be  
 1106 published in a newspaper having a circulation in the town [wherein] in  
 1107 which the activity is to be conducted. The question of the approval of  
 1108 the conducting of such activity shall be submitted to the electors of such  
 1109 town at a special election called for the purpose to be held not less than  
 1110 thirty nor more than sixty days after such publication, in conformity  
 1111 with the provisions of section 9-369, or at a regular town election if such  
 1112 election is to be held more than sixty but not more than one hundred  
 1113 twenty days after such publication, such question shall be so submitted

1114 and the vote shall be taken in the manner prescribed by said section 9-  
 1115 369. The town clerk shall notify the [department] commission of the  
 1116 results of such election. The disapproval of the conducting of such  
 1117 activity by a majority of those voting on the question shall be a bar to  
 1118 the granting of a license to such applicant to conduct such activity at  
 1119 such location. All costs incurred by a municipality in connection with  
 1120 such referendum shall be paid to [said] the municipality by the person  
 1121 or business organization filing such application for such license. The  
 1122 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any licensee authorized  
 1123 to operate the off-track betting system with respect to any off-track  
 1124 betting facility approved prior to June 25, 1993.

1125 (b) No licensee may conduct any racing or jai alai event on any  
 1126 Sunday without the prior approval of the legislative body of the town  
 1127 in which the event is scheduled to take place.

1128 (c) No licensee authorized to operate the off-track betting system may  
 1129 conduct any off-track pari-mutuel wagering on any racing program on  
 1130 any Sunday without the prior approval of the legislative body of the  
 1131 town in which such off-track betting facility is located.

1132 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
 1133 the prior approval of the legislative body only of the town shall be  
 1134 required [in the event the department] if the commission issues a license  
 1135 pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-574c, as amended by this act.

1136 Sec. 32. Section 12-574c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1137 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1138 (a) The [Department of Consumer Protection] commission shall not  
 1139 issue a license authorizing any person, firm, corporation or association  
 1140 to conduct horse racing, dog racing or jai alai events.

1141 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
 1142 the [department] commission may renew any license issued prior to  
 1143 May 23, 1979, or issue such a license to a currently operating facility.

1144 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
1145 the [department] commission may, on or after July 5, 1991, issue one  
1146 additional license authorizing a person or business organization to  
1147 conduct dog racing to a person or business organization holding a  
1148 license to conduct jai alai events or to the successor of such business  
1149 organization upon the surrender of the license to conduct jai alai events.

1150 (d) No licensee [shall] may move any horse race track, dog race track  
1151 or jai alai fronton to any municipality other than the municipality in  
1152 which such facility was located on July 5, 1991.

1153 Sec. 33. Section 12-574d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1154 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1155 (a) The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] commission may  
1156 order the random collection and testing of urine specimens from racing  
1157 dogs following a race or at any time during a meet conducted by any  
1158 licensee authorized to conduct dog racing events under the pari-mutuel  
1159 system. If the [commissioner] commission determines from such  
1160 random testing that the integrity of dog racing events may be  
1161 compromised, the [commissioner] commission may order the conduct  
1162 of more frequent testing at one or more dog race tracks for such period  
1163 of time as the [commissioner] commission deems necessary or  
1164 advisable. The [commissioner] commission shall determine the  
1165 laboratory responsible for the conduct of such testing and the amount  
1166 of the fee for such test which shall be based upon the actual cost of such  
1167 test and which shall be payable on a basis determined by the  
1168 [commissioner] commission. Each such licensee shall pay such fee  
1169 directly to such laboratory with respect to racing dogs at its dog race  
1170 track.

1171 (b) The [commissioner] commission shall adopt regulations, in  
1172 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the  
1173 provisions of subsection (a) of this section. The [commissioner]  
1174 commission may implement policies and procedures necessary to carry  
1175 out the provisions of subsection (a) of this section while in the process

1176 of adopting regulations, provided the [commissioner] commission  
 1177 prints notice of intent to adopt the regulations in the Connecticut Law  
 1178 Journal within twenty days after implementation. Such policies and  
 1179 procedures shall be valid until the time final regulations are effective.

1180 Sec. 34. Section 12-575 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1181 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1182 (a) The [department] commission may permit at racing events,  
 1183 exhibitions of the game of jai alai licensed under the provisions of this  
 1184 chapter or at off-track betting facilities, betting under a pari-mutuel  
 1185 system, so called, including standard pari-mutuel, daily double, exacta,  
 1186 quinella, trifecta, superfecta, twin trifecta, pick four and pick six betting,  
 1187 and such other forms of multiple betting as the [department]  
 1188 commission may determine.

1189 (b) The pari-mutuel system, so called, shall not be used or permitted  
 1190 at any location other than the race track at which the racing event is  
 1191 licensed to be conducted or the fronton at which the game of jai alai is  
 1192 licensed to be played or at an off-track betting facility operated by the  
 1193 [department] commission or by a licensee authorized to operate the off-  
 1194 track betting system. A computerized electronic totalizator system,  
 1195 approved by the [commissioner] commission, shall be used to conduct  
 1196 pari-mutuel wagering at each racing or jai alai event. A computerized  
 1197 electronic totalizator system approved by the [commissioner]  
 1198 commission and, where authorized by subsection (b) of section 12-571a,  
 1199 as amended by this act, and approved by the [commissioner]  
 1200 commission, a simulcast system shall be used to conduct pari-mutuel  
 1201 wagering and simulcasting of off-track betting race programs at off-  
 1202 track betting facilities. The [commissioner] commission may require any  
 1203 licensee to submit information concerning the daily operation of such  
 1204 totalizator or simulcast system which [he] the commission deems  
 1205 necessary for the effective administration of this chapter, including  
 1206 records of all wagering transactions, in such form and manner as [he]  
 1207 the commission shall prescribe.

1208 (c) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, each  
 1209 licensee conducting horse racing events under the pari-mutuel system  
 1210 shall distribute all sums deposited in any pari-mutuel program to the  
 1211 holders of winning tickets therein, less seventeen per cent of the total  
 1212 deposits plus the breakage to the dime of the amount so retained; each  
 1213 licensee conducting jai alai events shall distribute all sums deposited in  
 1214 any pari-mutuel program to the holders of winning tickets therein, less  
 1215 a maximum of eighteen per cent of the deposits in the win, place or show  
 1216 pools and less a maximum of twenty-three per cent of the deposits in all  
 1217 other pools plus the breakage to the dime of the amount so retained;  
 1218 each licensee conducting dog racing events shall distribute all sums  
 1219 deposited in any pari-mutuel program to the holders of winning tickets  
 1220 therein, less a maximum of nineteen per cent of the deposits in the win,  
 1221 place or show pools and less a maximum of twenty-seven per cent of  
 1222 the deposits in all other pools plus the breakage to the dime of the  
 1223 amount so retained, or, shall distribute all sums deposited in all of its  
 1224 pari-mutuel programs conducted on any day to the holders of winning  
 1225 tickets therein less twenty per cent of the total deposits plus the  
 1226 breakage to the dime of the amount so retained, provided on and after  
 1227 July 1, 1992, each licensee conducting dog racing events on July 5, 1991,  
 1228 shall allocate four per cent of all sums deposited in any pari-mutuel  
 1229 program to purses, one-quarter of one per cent to capital expenditures  
 1230 for alterations, additions, replacement changes, improvements or major  
 1231 repairs to or upon the property owned or leased by any such licensee  
 1232 and used for such racing events, and one-quarter of one per cent to  
 1233 promotional marketing, to reduce the costs of admission, programs,  
 1234 parking and concessions and to offer entertainment and giveaways.  
 1235 Each licensee conducting dog racing events shall, on an annual basis,  
 1236 submit to the [department] commission certified financial statements  
 1237 verifying the use of such allocations for purses, capital improvements  
 1238 and promotional marketing.

1239 (2) Each licensee conducting racing or jai alai events may carry over  
 1240 all or a portion of the sums deposited in any pari-mutuel program, less  
 1241 the amount retained as herein provided, in the twin trifecta, pick four or

1242 pick six pari-mutuel pool to another pool, including a pool in a  
1243 succeeding performance.

1244 (d) Each licensee conducting horse racing events under the pari-  
1245 mutuel system shall pay to the state, and there is hereby imposed: (1) A  
1246 tax on the total money wagered in the pari-mutuel pool on each and  
1247 every day the licensee conducts racing events, pursuant to the following  
1248 schedule:

T1	Total Wagered	Tax
T2	0 to \$100,001	3.25% on the entire pool
T3	\$100,001 to \$200,001	3.75% on the entire pool
T4	\$200,001 to \$300,001	4.25% on the entire pool
T5	\$300,001 to \$400,001	4.75% on the entire pool
T6	\$400,001 to \$500,001	5.25% on the entire pool
T7	\$500,001 to \$600,001	5.75% on the entire pool
T8	\$600,001 to \$700,001	6.25% on the entire pool
T9	\$700,001 to \$800,001	6.75% on the entire pool
T10	\$800,001 to \$900,001	7.25% on the entire pool
T11	\$900,001 to \$1,000,001	7.75% on the entire pool
T12	\$1,000,001 and over	8.75% on the entire pool

1249 and (2) a tax equal to one-half of the breakage to the dime resulting from  
1250 such wagering. The [commissioner] commission shall by regulation  
1251 adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 designate the  
1252 percentage of the difference between the seventeen per cent specified in  
1253 subsection (c) of this section and the tax specified in this subsection,  
1254 which shall be allocated as prize or purse money for the horses racing at  
1255 each facility.

1256 (e) Each licensee conducting dog racing events under the pari-mutuel  
1257 system shall pay to the state, and there is hereby imposed: (1) (A) A tax  
1258 at the rate of two per cent on the total money wagered in the pari-mutuel  
1259 pool on each and every day the licensee conducts racing events or (B)  
1260 on or after July 1, 1993, in the case of any licensee licensed prior to July  
1261 5, 1991, (i) a tax at the rate of two per cent on any amount up to and



1262 including fifty million dollars of the total money wagered in the pari-  
 1263 mutuel pool in any state fiscal year during which a licensee licensed  
 1264 prior to July 5, 1991, conducts racing events, (ii) a tax at the rate of three  
 1265 per cent on any amount in excess of fifty million dollars and up to and  
 1266 including eighty million dollars of the total money wagered in the pari-  
 1267 mutuel pool in any state fiscal year during which a licensee licensed  
 1268 prior to July 5, 1991, conducts racing events, and (iii) a tax at the rate of  
 1269 four per cent on any amount in excess of eighty million dollars of the  
 1270 total money wagered in the pari-mutuel pool in any state fiscal year  
 1271 during which a licensee licensed prior to July 5, 1991, conducts racing  
 1272 events, and (2) a tax equal to one-half of the breakage to the dime  
 1273 resulting from such wagering.

1274 (f) Each licensee operating a fronton at which the game of jai alai is  
 1275 licensed to be played under the pari-mutuel system shall pay to the state  
 1276 and there is hereby imposed: (1) (A) A tax at the rate of two per cent on  
 1277 any amount up to and including fifty million dollars of the total money  
 1278 wagered on such games, (B) a tax at the rate of three per cent of any  
 1279 amount in excess of fifty million dollars and up to and including eighty  
 1280 million dollars of the total money wagered on such games, and (C) a tax  
 1281 at the rate of four per cent on any amount in excess of eighty million  
 1282 dollars of the total money wagered on such games, and (2) a tax equal  
 1283 to one-half of the breakage to the dime resulting from such wagering.

1284 (g) The licensee authorized to operate the system of off-track betting  
 1285 under the pari-mutuel system shall pay to the state and there is hereby  
 1286 imposed: (1) A tax at the rate of three and one-half per cent on the total  
 1287 money wagered in the pari-mutuel pool on each and every day the  
 1288 licensee broadcasts racing events, and (2) a tax equal to one-half of the  
 1289 breakage to the dime resulting from such wagering.

1290 (h) The [commissioner] commission shall assess and collect the taxes  
 1291 imposed by this chapter under such regulations as [he] the commission  
 1292 may prescribe, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. All taxes  
 1293 hereby imposed shall be due and payable by the close of the next  
 1294 banking day after each day's racing or jai alai exhibition. If any such tax

1295 is not paid when due, the [commissioner] commission shall impose a  
 1296 delinquency assessment upon the licensee in the amount of ten per cent  
 1297 of such tax or ten dollars, whichever amount is greater, plus interest at  
 1298 the rate of one and one-half per cent of the unpaid principal of such tax  
 1299 for each month or fraction of a month from the date such tax is due to  
 1300 the date of payment. Subject to the provisions of section 12-3a, as  
 1301 amended by this act, the [commissioner] commission may waive all or  
 1302 part of the penalties provided under this subsection when it is proven  
 1303 to [his] the commission's satisfaction that the failure to pay such tax  
 1304 within the time required was due to reasonable cause and was not  
 1305 intentional or due to neglect. Failure to pay any such delinquent tax  
 1306 upon demand may be considered by the [commissioner] commission as  
 1307 cause for revocation of license.

1308 (i) The [commissioner] commission shall devise a system of  
 1309 accounting and shall supervise betting at such track, fronton or off-track  
 1310 betting facility in such manner that the rights of the state are protected  
 1311 and shall collect all fees and licenses under such regulations as [he] the  
 1312 commission shall prescribe, in accordance with the provisions of  
 1313 chapter 54.

1314 (j) The amount of unclaimed moneys, as determined by the  
 1315 [commissioner] commission, held by any licensee other than by  
 1316 licensees authorized to operate a jai alai fronton, dog race track or the  
 1317 off-track betting system on account of outstanding and uncashed  
 1318 winning tickets, shall be due and payable to the [commissioner]  
 1319 commission, for deposit in the General Fund of the state, at the  
 1320 expiration of one year after the close of the meeting during which such  
 1321 tickets were issued. If any such unclaimed moneys are not paid when  
 1322 due, the [commissioner] commission shall impose a delinquency  
 1323 assessment upon the licensee in the amount of ten per cent of such  
 1324 moneys or ten dollars, whichever amount is greater, plus interest at the  
 1325 rate of one and one-half per cent of the unpaid principal of such moneys  
 1326 for each month or fraction of a month from the date such moneys are  
 1327 due to the date of payment. Subject to the provisions of section 12-3a, as  
 1328 amended by this act, the [commissioner] commission may waive all or

1329 part of the penalties provided under this subsection when it is proven  
 1330 to [his] the commission's satisfaction that the failure to pay such moneys  
 1331 to the state within the time required was due to reasonable cause and  
 1332 was not intentional or due to neglect.

1333 (k) The [commissioner] commission may authorize [deputies]  
 1334 commission employees and the Commissioner of Revenue Services or  
 1335 his or her agents are authorized to enter upon the premises at any racing  
 1336 event, jai alai exhibition or off-track betting race event for the purpose  
 1337 of inspecting books and records, supervising and examining cashiers,  
 1338 ticket sellers, pool sellers and other persons handling money at said  
 1339 event and such other supervision as may be necessary for the  
 1340 maintenance of order at such event.

1341 (l) (1) The [commissioner] commission shall pay each municipality in  
 1342 which a horse race track is located, one-quarter of one per cent of the  
 1343 total money wagered on horse racing events at such race track, except  
 1344 that the [commissioner] commission shall pay each such municipality  
 1345 having a population in excess of fifty thousand one per cent of the total  
 1346 money wagered at such horse racing events in such municipality. The  
 1347 [commissioner] commission shall pay each municipality in which a jai  
 1348 alai fronton or dog race track is located one-half of one per cent of the  
 1349 total money wagered on jai alai games or dog racing events at such  
 1350 fronton or dog race track, except that the [commissioner] commission  
 1351 shall pay each such municipality having a population in excess of fifty  
 1352 thousand one per cent of the total money wagered on jai alai games or  
 1353 dog racing events at such fronton or dog race track located in such  
 1354 municipality. The [commissioner] commission shall pay each  
 1355 municipality in which an off-track betting facility is located one and  
 1356 three-fifths per cent of the total money wagered in such facility less  
 1357 amounts paid as refunds or for cancellations. The [commissioner]  
 1358 commission shall pay to both the city of New Haven and the town of  
 1359 Windsor Locks an additional one-half of one per cent of the total money  
 1360 wagered less any amount paid as a refund or a cancellation in any  
 1361 facility equipped with screens for simulcasting after October 1, 1997,  
 1362 located within a fifteen-mile radius of facilities in New Haven and

1363 Windsor Locks. Payment shall be made not less than four times a year  
 1364 and not more than twelve times a year as determined by the  
 1365 [commissioner] commission, and shall be made from the tax imposed  
 1366 pursuant to subsection (d) of this section for horse racing, subsection (e)  
 1367 of this section for dog racing, subsection (f) of this section for jai alai  
 1368 games and subsection (g) of this section for off-track betting.

1369 (2) If, for any calendar year after the surrender of a license to conduct  
 1370 jai alai events by any person or business organization pursuant to  
 1371 subsection (c) of section 12-574c, as amended by this act, and prior to the  
 1372 opening of any dog race track by such person or business organization,  
 1373 any other person or business organization licensed to conduct jai alai  
 1374 events is authorized to conduct a number of performances greater than  
 1375 the number authorized for such licensee in the previous calendar year,  
 1376 the [commissioner] commission shall pay the municipality in which the  
 1377 jai alai fronton for which such license was surrendered was located,  
 1378 rather than the municipality in which the jai alai fronton conducting the  
 1379 increased performances is located, one-half of one per cent of the total  
 1380 money wagered on jai alai games for such increased performances at the  
 1381 fronton which conducted the additional performances, except that the  
 1382 [commissioner] commission shall pay each such municipality having a  
 1383 population in excess of fifty thousand one per cent of the total money  
 1384 wagered on jai alai games for such increased performances at such  
 1385 fronton.

1386 (3) During any state fiscal year ending on or after June 30, 1993, the  
 1387 [commissioner] commission shall pay each municipality in which a dog  
 1388 race track was operating prior to July 5, 1991, one per cent of the total  
 1389 money wagered on dog racing events at such dog race track.

1390 (4) During the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, each  
 1391 municipality in which a dog race track was operating prior to July 5,  
 1392 1991, shall pay the Northeast Connecticut Economic Alliance, Inc. two-  
 1393 tenths of one per cent of the total money wagered on dog racing events  
 1394 at any dog race track operating prior to July 5, 1991.

1395 (5) In the event a licensee incurs a loss from the operation of a pari-  
 1396 mutuel facility, as determined by the [commissioner] commission, the  
 1397 legislative body of the city or town in which such facility is located may  
 1398 direct the [commissioner] commission to credit or rebate all or a part of  
 1399 the revenue otherwise due to the municipality back to the facility. In no  
 1400 [case] event shall such credit and such reimbursement exceed the  
 1401 amount of the licensee's loss, and in no fiscal year shall these provisions  
 1402 affect the total fees paid to the state by the authorized operator of the  
 1403 off-track betting system on its off-track betting activities.

1404 Sec. 35. Section 12-575c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1405 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1406 (a) The [commissioner] commission may require all pari-mutuel  
 1407 betting conducted at any facility conducting betting under a pari-  
 1408 mutuel system within the state which is based on the results of any event  
 1409 which occurs at any place other than the facility conducting such  
 1410 betting, whether such place is within or without the state, to be  
 1411 combined into a single, state-wide pool for each such event, or for any  
 1412 of them, as the [commissioner] commission may determine.

1413 (b) The [commissioner] commission may permit all pari-mutuel  
 1414 betting conducted at any facility conducting betting under a pari-  
 1415 mutuel system within the state which is based on the results of any event  
 1416 which occurs at such facility, to be combined with the betting on such  
 1417 event at another facility where pari-mutuel betting is conducted,  
 1418 whether such facility is within or without the state, as a single pool for  
 1419 each event.

1420 Sec. 36. Section 12-576 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1421 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1422 (a) Any person who knowingly permits any minor to wager in any  
 1423 gambling activity authorized under this chapter and any minor who  
 1424 places a wager in any gambling activity authorized under this chapter  
 1425 shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

1426 (b) Any person who knowingly permits a minor to be present in any  
 1427 room, office, building or establishment when off-track betting  
 1428 authorized under this chapter takes place, or at any racetrack or fronton  
 1429 when any meeting authorized under this chapter takes place, shall be  
 1430 fined not more than twenty-five dollars. No minor shall be present in  
 1431 any room, office, building or establishment when off-track betting  
 1432 authorized under this chapter takes place, or at any racetrack or fronton  
 1433 when any meeting authorized under this chapter takes place. Any  
 1434 minor sixteen years of age or over present in any room, office, building  
 1435 or establishment when off-track betting authorized under this chapter  
 1436 takes place, or at any racetrack or fronton when any meeting authorized  
 1437 under this chapter takes place, shall be fined not more than twenty-five  
 1438 dollars. Any licensee authorized to conduct a meeting for the purpose  
 1439 of jai alai or racing shall be fined not more than fifty dollars if any minor  
 1440 is found at such facility in violation of this subsection.

1441 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (a) or (b) of this  
 1442 section, the [commissioner] commission may issue a license to a minor  
 1443 sixteen years of age or older, under the provisions of section 12-578, as  
 1444 amended by this act, and the regulations adopted thereunder, provided  
 1445 written permission from a parent or legal guardian of such minor is filed  
 1446 with the [department] commission.

1447 (d) The [commissioner] commission shall not pay any claim for  
 1448 winnings when such claim is made by, or on behalf of, a minor who has  
 1449 wagered in any gambling activity authorized under this chapter.  
 1450 Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit an adult from making a wager  
 1451 on behalf of a minor, provided the money for such wager is not  
 1452 provided by the minor from funds under such minor's control.

1453 (e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit any minor  
 1454 from entering onto a parking area at any building or establishment  
 1455 described in subsection (b) of this section for the purpose of attending  
 1456 an event at which gambling activities do not occur.

1457 Sec. 37. Section 12-577 of the general statutes is repealed and the

1458 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1459 The [commissioner] commission shall annually cause to be made by  
 1460 some competent person or persons [in] within the [department]  
 1461 commission a thorough audit of the books and records of each  
 1462 association licensee under this chapter and each casino gaming facility  
 1463 and the [commissioner] commission may, from time to time, cause to be  
 1464 made by some competent person [in] within the [department]  
 1465 commission a thorough audit of the books and records of any other  
 1466 person or business organization licensed under this chapter. All such  
 1467 audit records shall be kept on file in the [commissioner's] commission's  
 1468 office at all times. Each licensee and casino gaming facility shall permit  
 1469 access to its books and records for the purpose of having such audit  
 1470 made, and shall produce, upon written order of the [commissioner]  
 1471 commission, any documents and information required for such  
 1472 purpose.

1473 Sec. 38. Section 12-578 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1474 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1475 (a) The [commissioner] commission shall adopt regulations, in  
 1476 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, governing registration  
 1477 and the issuance and annual renewal of licenses and payment of annual  
 1478 nonrefundable application fees for the same in accordance with the  
 1479 following schedule:

1480 (1) Registration: (A) Stable name, one hundred dollars; (B)  
 1481 partnership name, one hundred dollars; (C) colors, twenty dollars; (D)  
 1482 kennel name, one hundred dollars.

1483 (2) Licenses: (A) Owner, one hundred dollars; (B) trainer, one  
 1484 hundred dollars; (C) assistant trainer, one hundred dollars; (D) jockey,  
 1485 forty dollars; (E) jockey agent, for each jockey, one hundred dollars; (F)  
 1486 stable employees, including exercise boy, groom, stable foreman, hot  
 1487 walker, outrider, twenty dollars; (G) veterinarian, one hundred dollars;  
 1488 (H) jockey apprentice, forty dollars; (I) driver, one hundred dollars; (J)  
 1489 valet, twenty dollars; (K) blacksmith, twenty dollars; (L) plater, twenty

1490 dollars; (M) concessionaire, for each concession, two hundred fifty  
 1491 dollars; (N) concessionaire affiliate, for each concession of the  
 1492 concessionaire, two hundred fifty dollars; (O) concession employees,  
 1493 twenty dollars; (P) jai alai players, one hundred dollars; (Q) officials and  
 1494 supervisors, one hundred dollars; (R) pari-mutuel employees, forty  
 1495 dollars; (S) other personnel engaged in activities regulated under this  
 1496 chapter, twenty dollars; (T) vendor, for each contract, two hundred fifty  
 1497 dollars; (U) totalizator, for each contract, two hundred fifty dollars; (V)  
 1498 vendor and totalizator affiliates, for each contract of the vendor or  
 1499 totalizator, two hundred fifty dollars; (W) gaming employee, forty  
 1500 dollars; (X) nongaming vendor, two hundred fifty dollars; (Y) gaming  
 1501 services, five hundred dollars; and (Z) gaming affiliate, two hundred  
 1502 fifty dollars. For the purposes of this subdivision, "concessionaire  
 1503 affiliate" means a business organization, other than a shareholder in a  
 1504 publicly traded corporation, that may exercise control in or over a  
 1505 concessionaire; and "concessionaire" means any individual or business  
 1506 organization granted the right to operate an activity at a dog race track  
 1507 or off-track betting facility for the purpose of making a profit that  
 1508 receives or, in the exercise of reasonable business judgment, can be  
 1509 expected to receive more than twenty-five thousand dollars or twenty-  
 1510 five per cent of its gross annual receipts from such activity at such track  
 1511 or facility.

1512 (b) The [commissioner] commission shall require each applicant for a  
 1513 license under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section to submit  
 1514 to state and national criminal history records checks before such license  
 1515 is issued. The criminal history records checks required pursuant to this  
 1516 subsection shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a.

1517 Sec. 39. Section 12-578a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1518 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1519 (a) Not later than twelve months after the date any authorization of a  
 1520 casino gaming facility by any provision of the general statutes or a  
 1521 public or special act is effective, the [commissioner] commission shall  
 1522 adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, for



1523 the administration of casino gaming facilities. Such regulations shall  
1524 include provisions to protect the public interest in the integrity of  
1525 gaming operations and reduce the dangers of unsuitable, unfair or  
1526 illegal practices, methods and activities in the conduct of gaming. Such  
1527 regulations shall include, but need not be limited to:

1528 (1) Minimum accounting standards for a casino gaming facility;

1529 (2) Minimum security procedures including the video monitoring of  
1530 casino gaming facilities;

1531 (3) Approved hours of operation for gaming and nongaming  
1532 activities at casino gaming facilities;

1533 (4) Procedures governing the manufacture, sale, lease and  
1534 distribution of gaming devices and equipment for use in casino gaming  
1535 facilities;

1536 (5) Procedures for the recovery of winnings by patrons of casino  
1537 gaming facilities;

1538 (6) Procedures governing how gross gaming revenue is calculated  
1539 and reported by a casino gaming facility;

1540 (7) Requirements for regular auditing of the financial statements of a  
1541 casino gaming facility;

1542 (8) Procedures to be followed by any casino gaming facility for cash  
1543 transactions;

1544 (9) Procedures regarding the maintenance of lists of persons banned  
1545 from any casino gaming facility and security measures to enforce such  
1546 bans;

1547 (10) Standards for the provision of complimentary goods and services  
1548 to casino gaming facility patrons;

1549 (11) Minimum standards of training for persons employed in a casino  
1550 gaming facility;

1551 (12) Procedures governing the submission of standards of operation  
1552 and management of gaming operations by casino gaming facilities to  
1553 the [commissioner] commission; and

1554 (13) Requirements for information and reports from casino gaming  
1555 facilities to enable effective auditing of casino gaming operations.

1556 (b) Until such regulations are adopted and in effect, a casino gaming  
1557 facility may operate pursuant to its standards of operation and  
1558 management, provided such standards are approved by the  
1559 [commissioner] commission pursuant to section 12-578b, as amended by  
1560 this act.

1561 Sec. 40. Section 12-578b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1562 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1563 (a) Each casino gaming facility shall submit to the [commissioner]  
1564 commission a description of its standards of operation and management  
1565 of all gaming operations. The description shall include: (1) Accounting  
1566 controls to be used in casino gaming operations; (2) job descriptions for  
1567 all positions involved in casino gaming operations; (3) procedures for  
1568 the security of chips, cash and other cash equivalents used in authorized  
1569 games; (4) procedures for the safety and security of patrons of the casino  
1570 gaming facility; (5) procedures and rules governing the conduct of any  
1571 authorized games conducted at the casino gaming facility; (6) a  
1572 certification by the attorney of the casino gaming facility that the  
1573 submitted standards of operation and management conform to state law  
1574 and regulations governing casino gaming operations; (7) a certification  
1575 by the chief financial officer of the casino gaming facility or an  
1576 independent auditor that the submitted standards of operation and  
1577 management provide adequate and effective controls, establish a  
1578 consistent overall system of procedures and administrative and  
1579 accounting controls and conform to generally accepted accounting  
1580 principles; and (8) any other standards required by the [commissioner]  
1581 commission.

1582 (b) The [commissioner] commission shall approve or reject a

1583 submission of standards of operation and management required under  
 1584 subsection (a) of this section not later than sixty days after the date on  
 1585 which the [commissioner] commission received such standards. If the  
 1586 [commissioner] commission fails to approve or reject a submission of  
 1587 standards of operation and management not later than sixty days after  
 1588 the date on which the [commissioner] commission received such  
 1589 standards of operation and management, such standards of operation  
 1590 and management shall be deemed approved. No casino gaming facility  
 1591 may commence casino gaming operations unless such standards of  
 1592 operation and management are approved by the [commissioner]  
 1593 commission or deemed approved.

1594 (c) No casino gaming facility shall revise any standards of operation  
 1595 and management that have been approved by the [commissioner]  
 1596 commission or deemed approved pursuant to subsection (b) of this  
 1597 section unless the revision has been approved by the [commissioner]  
 1598 commission. If the [commissioner] commission fails to approve or reject  
 1599 a submitted revision not later than sixty days after the date on which the  
 1600 [commissioner] commission received such revision, such revision shall  
 1601 be deemed approved.

1602 (d) A casino gaming facility aggrieved by an action of the  
 1603 [commissioner] commission under the provisions of this section may  
 1604 request a hearing before the [commissioner] commission. The  
 1605 [commissioner] commission shall hold such hearing in accordance with  
 1606 the provisions of chapter 54.

1607 (e) The [commissioner] commission shall periodically review a casino  
 1608 gaming facility's compliance with state law and regulations governing  
 1609 casino gaming facilities.

1610 Sec. 41. Section 12-578c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1611 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1612 (a) No person may commence or continue employment on the  
 1613 gaming floor or in a gaming-related position in a casino gaming facility  
 1614 unless such person holds a gaming employee license issued by the

1615 [commissioner] commission pursuant to this section.

1616 (b) No person or business organization may provide more than  
1617 twenty-five thousand dollars of nongaming goods or services per year  
1618 in a casino gaming facility unless such person or business organization  
1619 holds a nongaming vendor license issued by the [commissioner]  
1620 commission pursuant to this section.

1621 (c) No person or business organization may provide gaming services  
1622 or gaming equipment to a casino gaming facility unless such person or  
1623 business organization holds a gaming services license issued by the  
1624 [commissioner] commission pursuant to this section.

1625 (d) No business organization, other than a shareholder in a publicly  
1626 traded corporation, may exercise control in or over a licensee licensed  
1627 pursuant to this section unless such business organization holds a  
1628 gaming affiliate license issued by the [commissioner] commission  
1629 pursuant to this section.

1630 (e) Each applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall  
1631 submit a completed application on forms prescribed by the  
1632 [commissioner] commission. Such application forms may require the  
1633 applicant to submit information as to: (1) Financial standing and credit;  
1634 (2) moral character; (3) criminal record, if any; (4) previous employment;  
1635 (5) corporate, partnership or association affiliations; (6) ownership of  
1636 personal assets; and (7) any other information as the [commissioner]  
1637 commission deems pertinent to the issuance of such license.

1638 (f) The [commissioner] commission shall, as soon as practicable after  
1639 the receipt of a completed license application, grant or deny the license  
1640 application. Any license issued by the [commissioner] commission  
1641 pursuant to this section shall be effective for not more than one year  
1642 from the date of issuance. Applications for renewal of any such license  
1643 shall be on such form as prescribed by the [commissioner] commission.  
1644 Any holder of a license issued pursuant to this section who submits an  
1645 application to renew such license may continue to be employed by a  
1646 casino gaming facility or provide services to a casino gaming facility

1647 until the [commissioner] commission denies such renewal application.

1648 (g) The [commissioner] commission may issue a temporary license at  
 1649 the request of any person who has submitted an application for a license  
 1650 under this section. The [commissioner] commission shall require such  
 1651 applicant to submit to state and national criminal history records checks  
 1652 before receiving a temporary license. The criminal history records  
 1653 checks shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. A  
 1654 temporary license shall expire when the [commissioner] commission  
 1655 grants or denies the pending application for a license under this section.

1656 (h) The [commissioner] commission may investigate any person or  
 1657 business organization that holds a license pursuant to this section at any  
 1658 time and may suspend or revoke such license for good cause after a  
 1659 hearing held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. Any  
 1660 person or business organization whose license is suspended or revoked,  
 1661 or any applicant aggrieved by the action of the [commissioner]  
 1662 commission concerning an application for a license or renewal  
 1663 application, may appeal pursuant to section 4-183.

1664 Sec. 42. Section 12-578d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1665 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1666 (a) For the purposes of this section, "alcoholic liquor" has the same  
 1667 meaning as provided in section 30-1.

1668 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, no person  
 1669 under the minimum age for the purchase of alcoholic liquor under the  
 1670 provisions of chapter 545 shall be admitted onto the gaming floor of any  
 1671 casino gaming facility nor be permitted to participate in any authorized  
 1672 games.

1673 (c) A person eighteen years of age or older but under the minimum  
 1674 age for the purchase of alcoholic liquor may be employed in a casino  
 1675 gaming facility, provided such person is licensed by the [commissioner]  
 1676 commission pursuant to section 12-578c, as amended by this act, and  
 1677 such employment does not involve handling or serving alcoholic liquor.

1678 Sec. 43. Section 12-578e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1679 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1680 (a) Commencing in any fiscal year that a casino gaming facility is  
1681 authorized by any provision of the general statutes to conduct  
1682 authorized games, and on or before September thirtieth in each fiscal  
1683 year thereafter, the [commissioner] commission shall: (1) Estimate, after  
1684 consultation with each casino gaming facility, the reasonable and  
1685 necessary costs that will be incurred by the [department] commission in  
1686 the next fiscal year to regulate casino gaming facilities under chapters  
1687 226 and 545; and (2) assess each casino gaming facility its share of such  
1688 estimated costs pro rata according to its annualized share of the gross  
1689 gaming revenue of all casino gaming facilities in the prior fiscal year, if  
1690 any. The estimated costs shall not exceed the estimate of expenditure  
1691 requirements transmitted by the [commissioner] commission pursuant  
1692 to section 4-77. The assessment for any fiscal year shall be: (A) Reduced  
1693 pro rata by the amount of any surplus from the assessment of the prior  
1694 fiscal year, which shall be maintained in accordance with subsection (d)  
1695 of this section, or (B) increased pro rata by the amount of any deficit  
1696 from the assessment of the prior fiscal year.

1697 (b) Each casino gaming facility shall pay to the [commissioner]  
1698 commission the amount assessed to such casino gaming facility not later  
1699 than the date specified by the [commissioner] commission for payment,  
1700 provided such date is not less than thirty days from the date of such  
1701 assessment. The [commissioner] commission shall remit to the  
1702 Treasurer all funds received pursuant to this section.

1703 (c) (1) There is established a fund to be known as the "State Gaming  
1704 Regulatory Fund". The fund shall contain any moneys required or  
1705 permitted to be deposited in the fund and shall be held by the Treasurer  
1706 separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts.  
1707 Investment earnings credited to the assets of said fund shall become part  
1708 of the assets of said fund. Any balance remaining in said fund at the end  
1709 of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in said fund for the fiscal year  
1710 next succeeding. Moneys in the fund shall be expended by the Treasurer

1711 for the purposes of paying the costs incurred by the [department]  
1712 commission to regulate casino gaming facilities.

1713 (2) The Treasurer shall deposit all funds received pursuant to  
1714 subsection (b) of this section in the State Gaming Regulatory Fund.

1715 (d) On or before September thirtieth, annually, the Comptroller shall  
1716 calculate the actual reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the  
1717 [department] commission to regulate casino gaming facilities during the  
1718 prior fiscal year. The Comptroller shall include as part of such  
1719 calculation any actual reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the  
1720 Department of Consumer Protection to regulate casino gaming facilities  
1721 prior to January 1, 2021. The Treasurer shall set aside within the State  
1722 Gaming Regulatory Fund amounts received in excess of such actual  
1723 costs. Such excess amounts shall be considered a surplus for the  
1724 purposes of subsection (a) of this section.

1725 (e) Any casino gaming facility aggrieved by an assessment under the  
1726 provisions of this section may request a hearing before the  
1727 [commissioner] commission not later than thirty days after such  
1728 assessment. The [commissioner] commission shall hold such hearing in  
1729 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 not later than thirty days  
1730 after receiving such request.

1731 Sec. 44. Section 12-578f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1732 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1733 (a) For the purposes of this section and section 12-578g:

1734 (1) "Authorized games" means any game of chance, including, but not  
1735 limited to, blackjack, poker, dice, money-wheels, roulette, baccarat,  
1736 chuck-a-luck, pan game, over and under, horse race game, acey-deucey,  
1737 beat the dealer, bouncing ball, video facsimile game and any other game  
1738 of chance authorized by the [Commissioner of Consumer Protection]  
1739 commission;

1740 (2) "Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding" means

1741 the memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the  
1742 state and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe on January 13, 1993, as  
1743 amended on April 30, 1993;

1744 (3) "Mashantucket Pequot procedures" means the Final  
1745 Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the Secretary  
1746 of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to Section  
1747 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) of Title 25 of the United States Code and published in  
1748 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31, 1991);

1749 (4) "MMCT Venture, LLC" means a limited liability company  
1750 described in subsection (d) of this section;

1751 (5) "Mohegan compact" means the Tribal-State Compact entered into  
1752 by and between the state and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of  
1753 Connecticut on May 17, 1994; and

1754 (6) "Mohegan memorandum of understanding" means the  
1755 memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state  
1756 and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on May 17, 1994.

1757 (b) MMCT Venture, LLC, is authorized to conduct authorized games  
1758 at a casino gaming facility at 171 Bridge Street, East Windsor,  
1759 Connecticut.

1760 (c) Such authorization shall not be effective unless the following  
1761 conditions have been met:

1762 (1) (A) The Governor enters into amendments to the Mashantucket  
1763 Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of  
1764 understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments  
1765 to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of  
1766 understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut  
1767 concerning the operation of a casino gaming facility in the state.

1768 (B) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and the  
1769 Mohegan compact shall include a provision that the authorization of  
1770 MMCT Venture, LLC, to conduct authorized games in the state does not



1771 terminate the moratorium against the operation of video facsimile  
1772 games by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians  
1773 of Connecticut on each tribe's reservation.

1774 (C) The amendments to each tribe's memorandum of understanding  
1775 shall include a provision that the authorization of MMCT Venture, LLC,  
1776 to conduct authorized games in the state does not relieve each tribe from  
1777 each tribe's obligation to contribute a percentage of the gross operating  
1778 revenues of video facsimile games to the state as provided in each tribe's  
1779 memorandum of understanding.

1780 (2) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures, the  
1781 Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding, the Mohegan  
1782 compact and the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are  
1783 approved or deemed approved by the Secretary of the United States  
1784 Department of the Interior pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming  
1785 Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq., and its implementing  
1786 regulations. If such approval is overturned by a court in a final  
1787 judgment, which is not appealable, the authorization provided under  
1788 this section shall cease to be effective.

1789 (3) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to  
1790 the Mohegan compact are approved by the General Assembly pursuant  
1791 to section 3-6c.

1792 (4) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of  
1793 understanding and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are  
1794 approved by the General Assembly pursuant to the process described  
1795 in section 3-6c.

1796 (5) The governing bodies of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and  
1797 Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut enact resolutions providing:  
1798 (A) That if MMCT Venture, LLC, fails to pay any fees or taxes due the  
1799 state, the tribes, as the members of MMCT Venture, LLC, waive the  
1800 possible defense of sovereign immunity with respect to any action or  
1801 claim by the state against the tribes as the members of MMCT Venture,  
1802 LLC, to the extent such action or claim is permitted to be brought against

1803 a member of a limited liability company under state law to collect any  
1804 fees or taxes, while preserving any other defenses available to the tribes,  
1805 and (B) that the venue for such action or claim shall be in the judicial  
1806 district of Hartford.

1807 (d) Such authorization shall apply to MMCT Venture, LLC, provided:  
1808 (1) MMCT Venture, LLC, is a limited liability company jointly and  
1809 exclusively owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan  
1810 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut; (2) no other person or business  
1811 organization holds an equity interest in MMCT Venture, LLC; and (3)  
1812 each tribe holds at least a twenty-five per cent equity interest in MMCT  
1813 Venture, LLC. If MMCT Venture, LLC, ceases to be a limited liability  
1814 company jointly and exclusively owned by the Mashantucket Pequot  
1815 Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut in which each  
1816 tribe holds at least a twenty-five per cent equity interest, such  
1817 authorization shall be void.

1818 Sec. 45. Section 12-578aa of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1819 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1820 (a) For the purposes of this section:

1821 (1) "Entry fee" means the amount of cash or cash equivalent that is  
1822 required to be paid by a fantasy contest player to a fantasy contest  
1823 operator to participate in a fantasy contest;

1824 (2) "Fantasy contest" means any online fantasy or simulated game or  
1825 contest with an entry fee in which: (A) The value of all prizes and  
1826 awards offered to winning fantasy contest players is established and  
1827 made known to the players in advance of the game or contest; (B) all  
1828 winning outcomes reflect the knowledge and skill of the players and are  
1829 determined predominantly by accumulated statistical results of the  
1830 performance of individuals, including athletes in the case of sporting  
1831 events; and (C) no winning outcome is based on the score, point spread  
1832 or any performance of any single actual team or combination of teams  
1833 or solely on any single performance of an individual athlete or player in  
1834 any single actual sporting event. Fantasy contests shall not include

1835 lottery games;

1836 (3) "Fantasy contest operator" means a person or entity that operates  
1837 a fantasy contest and offers such fantasy contest to members of the  
1838 general public in the state;

1839 (4) "Fantasy contest player" means a person who participates in a  
1840 fantasy contest offered by a fantasy contest operator;

1841 (5) "Gross receipts" means the amount equal to the total of all entry  
1842 fees that a fantasy contest operator collects from all fantasy contest  
1843 players, less the total of all sums paid out as prizes to all fantasy contest  
1844 players, multiplied by the location percentage;

1845 (6) "Location percentage" means the percentage rounded to the  
1846 nearest tenth of a per cent of the total of entry fees collected from fantasy  
1847 contest players located in the state, divided by the total of entry fees  
1848 collected from all fantasy contest players;

1849 (7) "Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding" means  
1850 the memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the  
1851 state and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe on January 13, 1993, as  
1852 amended on April 30, 1993;

1853 (8) "Mashantucket Pequot procedures" means the Final  
1854 Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the Secretary  
1855 of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to Section  
1856 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) of Title 25 of the United States Code and published in  
1857 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31, 1991);

1858 (9) "Mohegan compact" means the Tribal-State Compact entered into  
1859 by and between the state and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of  
1860 Connecticut on May 17, 1994; and

1861 (10) "Mohegan memorandum of understanding" means the  
1862 memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state  
1863 and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on May 17, 1994.

1864 (b) The provisions of this section shall not be effective unless the  
1865 following conditions have been met:

1866 (1) The Governor enters into amendments to the Mashantucket  
1867 Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of  
1868 understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments  
1869 to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of  
1870 understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut  
1871 concerning the authorization of fantasy contests in the state.

1872 (2) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and the  
1873 Mohegan compact shall include a provision that the authorization of  
1874 fantasy contests in the state does not terminate the moratorium against  
1875 the operation of video facsimile games by the Mashantucket Pequot  
1876 Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on each tribe's  
1877 reservation.

1878 (3) The amendments to each tribe's memorandum of understanding  
1879 shall include a provision that the authorization of fantasy contests in the  
1880 state does not relieve each tribe from each tribe's obligation to contribute  
1881 a percentage of the gross operating revenues of video facsimile games  
1882 to the state as provided in each tribe's memorandum of understanding.

1883 (4) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures, the  
1884 Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding, the Mohegan  
1885 compact and the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are  
1886 approved or deemed approved by the Secretary of the United States  
1887 Department of the Interior pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming  
1888 Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq., and its implementing  
1889 regulations. If such approval is overturned by a court in a final  
1890 judgment, which is not appealable, the authorization provided under  
1891 this section shall cease to be effective.

1892 (5) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to  
1893 the Mohegan compact are approved by the General Assembly pursuant  
1894 to section 3-6c.

1895 (6) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of  
1896 understanding and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are  
1897 approved by the General Assembly pursuant to the process described  
1898 in section 3-6c.

1899 (c) Not later than July 1, 2018, the [Commissioner of Consumer  
1900 Protection] commission shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the  
1901 provisions of chapter 54, regarding the operation of, participation in and  
1902 advertisement of fantasy contest in the state. Such regulations shall  
1903 protect fantasy contest players who pay an entry fee to play fantasy  
1904 contests from unfair or deceptive acts or practices. Such regulations  
1905 shall include, but need not be limited to: (1) A prohibition on fantasy  
1906 contest operators allowing persons under the age of eighteen to  
1907 participate in a fantasy contest offered by such operators; (2) protections  
1908 for fantasy contest players' funds on deposit with fantasy contest  
1909 operators; (3) requirements regarding truthful advertising by fantasy  
1910 contest operators; (4) procedures to ensure the integrity of fantasy  
1911 contests offered by fantasy contest operators; (5) procedures to ensure  
1912 that fantasy contest operators provide fantasy contest players with: (A)  
1913 Information regarding responsible playing and places to seek assistance  
1914 for addictive or compulsive behavior, and (B) protections against  
1915 compulsive behavior; and (6) reporting requirements and procedures to  
1916 demonstrate eligibility for a reduction of the initial registration fee and  
1917 annual registration renewal fee pursuant to subsection (d) of this  
1918 section.

1919 (d) (1) Not later than sixty days after the adoption of regulations  
1920 pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, and thereafter, each fantasy  
1921 contest operator that operates fantasy contests in the state shall register  
1922 annually with the [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] commission  
1923 on a form prescribed by the [commissioner] commission. Each fantasy  
1924 contest operator shall submit an initial registration fee of fifteen  
1925 thousand dollars and an annual registration renewal fee of fifteen  
1926 thousand dollars, except that the [commissioner] commission shall  
1927 reduce the initial registration fee and annual registration fee so that such  
1928 fees do not exceed ten per cent of the gross receipts of such operator for

1929 the registration period.

1930 (2) To demonstrate the eligibility of a fantasy contest operator for a  
 1931 reduction of the initial registration fee or annual registration renewal fee  
 1932 pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, the fantasy contest  
 1933 operator shall provide to the [commissioner] commission, in a manner  
 1934 prescribed by the [commissioner] commission, an estimation of the  
 1935 gross receipts such operator expects to receive in the upcoming  
 1936 registration period. Prior to renewing a registration where such operator  
 1937 paid a reduced registration fee for the previous registration period, or  
 1938 after a registration period where such operator should have paid a  
 1939 reduced fee for the previous registration period, such operator shall  
 1940 submit to the [commissioner] commission, in a manner prescribed by  
 1941 the [commissioner] commission, the actual amount of gross receipts  
 1942 received by such operator in the previous registration period. The  
 1943 [commissioner] commission shall calculate the difference, if any,  
 1944 between the estimated gross receipts and the actual gross receipts and  
 1945 determine if the registration fee previously paid by such operator was  
 1946 the correct amount. If such operator paid an amount in excess of the  
 1947 amount determined to be the correct amount of the registration fee, the  
 1948 [commissioner] commission shall refund such operator accordingly or  
 1949 credit such amount against the registration fee for the upcoming  
 1950 registration period, provided such operator renews his or her  
 1951 registration. If such operator did not pay the amount determined to be  
 1952 the correct amount of the registration fee, such operator shall pay to the  
 1953 [commissioner] commission the difference between the correct amount  
 1954 and the registration fee previously paid.

1955 (e) Any person who violates any provision of this section or any  
 1956 regulation adopted pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall be  
 1957 fined not more than one thousand dollars for each violation.

1958 Sec. 46. Section 12-579 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1959 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1960 Any municipality may, by ordinance, impose a tax of ten per cent of

1961 the admission charge, as defined in subsection (3) of section 12-540, to  
 1962 any place licensed by the [Department of Consumer Protection]  
 1963 Commission on Gaming and containing a pari-mutuel system therein or  
 1964 to any off-track betting facility. The tax shall be imposed upon the  
 1965 person making such charge and reimbursement for the tax shall be  
 1966 collected by such person from the purchaser. Such reimbursement,  
 1967 termed "tax", shall be paid by the purchaser to the person making the  
 1968 admission charge. Such tax, when added to the admission charge, shall  
 1969 be a debt from the purchaser to the person making such charge and shall  
 1970 be recoverable at law.

1971 Sec. 47. Section 12-584 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1972 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

1973 (a) Each licensee of the [department] Commission on Gaming, other  
 1974 than an occupational licensee, shall file, on or before April fifteenth of  
 1975 each year, with the [department] commission: (1) Certified financial  
 1976 statements for the prior calendar year or fiscal year, prepared in  
 1977 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; (2) the names  
 1978 and addresses of every shareholder, person or business organization  
 1979 having a financial, property, leasehold, ownership or beneficial interest  
 1980 in such licensee; (3) (A) the names and addresses of every person or  
 1981 business organization which provides contractual services, equipment  
 1982 or property related to any of the activities authorized under chapter 226,  
 1983 and (B) the nature of such services rendered and equipment or property  
 1984 provided; and (4) copies of all state and federal tax returns filed by such  
 1985 licensee for the next preceding calendar year or taxable year, except that  
 1986 if any state or federal tax return has not been filed with the state or  
 1987 federal government on or before said date, such licensee may file such  
 1988 return with the [department] commission at the same time he or it files  
 1989 such return with the state or federal government.

1990 (b) The [commissioner] commission may require any person,  
 1991 business organization or shareholder disclosed under the provisions of  
 1992 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section to file on or before April  
 1993 fifteenth of each year, with the [department] commission: (1) A

1994 statement of financial position to be submitted under oath on forms  
 1995 provided by the [department] commission; (2) a statement of interest in  
 1996 any other gambling activity, within or without the state of Connecticut;  
 1997 and (3) copies of state and federal tax returns filed by such person,  
 1998 business organization or shareholder for the next preceding calendar  
 1999 year or taxable year, except that if any state or federal tax return has not  
 2000 been filed with the state or federal government on or before said date,  
 2001 such person, business organization or shareholder may file such return  
 2002 with the [department] commission at the same time he or it files such  
 2003 return with the state or federal government. The [commissioner]  
 2004 commission shall not require such filing more than once a year, except  
 2005 that the [commissioner] commission may require additional filings or  
 2006 additional information to ensure the integrity of legalized gambling. All  
 2007 information gathered by the [department] commission under this  
 2008 chapter and section 12-562, as amended by this act, may be transmitted  
 2009 by the [department] commission to any agency or department of the  
 2010 state and shall be made available for public dissemination or inspection,  
 2011 except that any state or federal tax returns gathered by the [department]  
 2012 commission pursuant to this section shall only be open to inspection by  
 2013 the [department] commission, its staff and such other state agencies or  
 2014 departments which require return information to perform their official  
 2015 duties.

2016 (c) Failure by any licensee to comply with the requirements of this  
 2017 section shall constitute grounds for the [commissioner] commission: (1)  
 2018 To suspend or revoke such license; (2) to impose a fine of not more than  
 2019 two thousand five hundred dollars or, if the licensee is licensed to  
 2020 conduct a meeting or operate an off-track betting system under  
 2021 subsection (a) of section 12-575, as amended by this act, to impose a fine  
 2022 of not more than seventy-five thousand dollars; (3) to rescind the  
 2023 applicable contract; or (4) to impose any combination of such penalties.

2024 (d) Failure by any person, business organization or shareholder  
 2025 identified in subsection (b) of this section to comply with the  
 2026 requirements of this section shall constitute grounds for the  
 2027 [commissioner] commission: (1) To suspend or revoke such license; (2)



2028 to impose a fine of not more than two thousand five hundred dollars on  
 2029 such licensee or, if the licensee is licensed to conduct a meeting or  
 2030 operate an off-track betting system under subsection (a) of section 12-  
 2031 575, as amended by this act, a fine of not more than seventy-five  
 2032 thousand dollars on such licensee; or (3) to impose any combination of  
 2033 such penalties. In the case of a shareholder who fails to comply with the  
 2034 requirements of this section, the [department] commission shall notify  
 2035 the shareholder and the licensee which issued the shares of such failure.  
 2036 Upon receipt of such notice the shareholder shall immediately offer such  
 2037 shares to the licensee for purchase. The licensee shall purchase the  
 2038 shares not later than sixty days after they are so offered. Each licensee  
 2039 shall adopt appropriate amendments or additions to any existing  
 2040 corporate bylaws to permit compliance with this section.

2041 (e) Any licensee aggrieved by an action of the [commissioner]  
 2042 commission under this section shall have a right of appeal pursuant to  
 2043 section 4-183.

2044 Sec. 48. Section 12-585 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2045 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2046 (a) All reasonable expenses incurred by or on behalf of the  
 2047 [department] Commission on Gaming for any investigation of a person  
 2048 or business organization in connection with an initial application or  
 2049 contract, the application for transfer of ownership in whole or in part of  
 2050 an existing licensed facility, the assignment of an existing contract, or  
 2051 the addition of or change in any member of a board of directors, officer,  
 2052 shareholder or bondholder of any such person or business organization,  
 2053 shall be paid to the [department] commission by the person or business  
 2054 organization under investigation. All funds received by the  
 2055 [department] commission under the provisions of this subsection shall  
 2056 be paid into the General Fund.

2057 (b) Each such person or business organization shall be billed for such  
 2058 expenses on a quarterly basis or at the conclusion of the investigation,  
 2059 as determined by the [commissioner] commission. Failure on the part of

the person or business organization to remit payment within fifteen days after receipt of an invoice from the [department] commission shall constitute grounds to refuse to grant approval of the request of the person or business organization for which such investigation was undertaken, or in the case of a licensee, failure to remit payment within fifteen days shall, in addition, constitute grounds for the [commissioner] commission: (1) To suspend or revoke such license; (2) to impose a fine of not more than two thousand five hundred dollars or, if the licensee is licensed to conduct a meeting or operate an off-track betting system under subsection (a) of section 12-575, as amended by this act, a fine of not more than seventy-five thousand dollars; (3) to rescind the applicable contract; or (4) to impose any combination of such penalties.

Sec. 49. Section 12-586f of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

(a) For the purposes of this section, "tribe" means the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and "compact" means the Tribal-State Compact between the tribe and the state of Connecticut, as incorporated and amended in the Final Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to Section 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) of Title 25 of the United States Code and published in 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31, 1991).

(b) The expenses of administering the provisions of the compact shall be financed as provided in this section. Assessments for regulatory costs incurred by any state agency which are subject to reimbursement by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the compact shall be made by the Commissioner of Revenue Services in accordance with the provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such. Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

2093 (c) Assessments for law enforcement costs incurred by any state  
 2094 agency which are subject to reimbursement by the tribe in accordance  
 2095 with the provisions of the compact shall be made by the Commissioner  
 2096 of Emergency Services and Public Protection in accordance with the  
 2097 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment  
 2098 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may  
 2099 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such.  
 2100 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the  
 2101 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to  
 2102 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

2103 (d) If the tribe is aggrieved due to any assessment levied pursuant to  
 2104 such compact and this section or by any failure to adjust an excess  
 2105 assessment in accordance with the provisions of the compact and this  
 2106 section, it may, not later than thirty days after the time provided for the  
 2107 payment of such assessment, appeal therefrom in accordance with the  
 2108 terms of the compact, to the superior court for the judicial district of  
 2109 Hartford, which appeal shall be accompanied by a citation to the  
 2110 [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming to  
 2111 appear before said court. Such citation shall be signed by the same  
 2112 authority, and such appeal shall be returnable at the same time and  
 2113 served and returned in the same manner as is required in case of a  
 2114 summons in a civil action. Proceedings in such matter shall be  
 2115 conducted in the same manner as provided for in section 38a-52.

2116 (e) The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on  
 2117 Gaming shall require each applicant for a casino gaming employee  
 2118 license, casino gaming service license or casino gaming equipment  
 2119 license to submit to state and national criminal history records checks  
 2120 before such license is issued. The criminal history records checks  
 2121 required pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted in accordance  
 2122 with section 29-17a.

2123 Sec. 50. Section 12-586g of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes  
 2124 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
 2125 *January 1, 2021*):

2126 (a) For the purposes of this section, "tribe" means the Mohegan Tribe  
2127 of Indians of Connecticut and "compact" means the Tribal-State  
2128 Compact between the tribe and the state of Connecticut, dated May 17,  
2129 1994.

2130 (b) The expenses of administering the provisions of the compact shall  
2131 be financed as provided in this section. Assessments for regulatory costs  
2132 incurred by any state agency which are subject to reimbursement by the  
2133 tribe in accordance with the provisions of the compact shall be made by  
2134 the Commissioner of Revenue Services in accordance with the  
2135 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment  
2136 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may  
2137 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such.  
2138 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the  
2139 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to  
2140 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

2141 (c) Assessments for law enforcement costs incurred by any state  
2142 agency which are subject to reimbursement by the tribe in accordance  
2143 with the provisions of the compact shall be made by the Commissioner  
2144 of Emergency Services and Public Protection in accordance with the  
2145 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment  
2146 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may  
2147 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such.  
2148 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the  
2149 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to  
2150 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

2151 (d) If the tribe is aggrieved due to any assessment levied pursuant to  
2152 such compact and this section or by any failure to adjust an excess  
2153 assessment in accordance with the provisions of the compact and this  
2154 section, it may, not later than thirty days after the time provided for the  
2155 payment of such assessment, appeal therefrom in accordance with the  
2156 terms of the compact, to the superior court for the judicial district of  
2157 New Britain, which appeal shall be accompanied by a citation to the  
2158 [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming to

2159 appear before said court. Such citation shall be signed by the same  
2160 authority, and such appeal shall be returnable at the same time and  
2161 served and returned in the same manner as is required in case of a  
2162 summons in a civil action. Proceedings in such matter shall be  
2163 conducted in the same manner as provided for in section 38a-52.

2164 (e) The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on  
2165 Gaming shall require each applicant for a casino gaming employee  
2166 license, casino gaming service license or casino gaming equipment  
2167 license to submit to state and national criminal history records checks  
2168 before such license is issued. The criminal history records checks  
2169 required pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted in accordance  
2170 with section 29-17a.

2171 Sec. 51. Section 12-802 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2172 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2173 (a) There is created a body politic and corporate, constituting a public  
2174 instrumentality and political subdivision of the state created for the  
2175 performance of an essential governmental revenue-raising function,  
2176 which shall be named the Connecticut Lottery Corporation, and which  
2177 may exercise the functions, powers and duties set forth in sections 12-  
2178 563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, as  
2179 amended by this act, to implement the purposes set forth in said  
2180 sections, which are public purposes for which public funds may be  
2181 expended. The Connecticut Lottery Corporation shall not be construed  
2182 to be a department, institution or agency of the state with respect to  
2183 budgeting, procurement or personnel requirements, except as provided  
2184 in sections 1-120, 1-121, 1-125, 12-563, as amended by this act, 12-563a,  
2185 as amended by this act, 12-564, as amended by this act, 12-566, as  
2186 amended by this act, 12-568a, as amended by this act, and 12-569, as  
2187 amended by this act, subsection (c) of section 12-574, as amended by this  
2188 act, and sections 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, as amended by this act.

2189 (b) [(1) The] Prior to January 1, 2021, the corporation shall be  
2190 governed by a board of thirteen directors. [The Governor, with the

2191 advice and consent of the General Assembly, shall appoint five directors  
2192 who have skill, knowledge and experience in the fields of management,  
2193 finance or operations in the private sector. Two directors shall be the  
2194 State Treasurer and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
2195 Management, both of whom shall serve ex officio and shall have all of  
2196 the powers and privileges of a member of the board of directors. Each  
2197 ex-officio director may designate his or her deputy or any member of  
2198 his or her staff to represent him or her at meetings of the corporation  
2199 with full power to act and vote on his or her behalf. Each director  
2200 appointed by the Governor shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor,  
2201 but no longer than the term of office of the Governor or until the  
2202 director's successor is appointed and qualified, whichever term is  
2203 longer. The Governor shall fill any vacancy for the unexpired term of a  
2204 director appointed by the Governor. The procedures of section 4-7 shall  
2205 apply to the confirmation of the Governor's appointments by both  
2206 houses of the General Assembly.

2207       (2) Six directors shall be appointed as follows: One by the president  
2208 pro tempore of the Senate, one by the majority leader of the Senate, one  
2209 by the minority leader of the Senate, one by the speaker of the House of  
2210 Representatives, one by the majority leader of the House of  
2211 Representatives and one by the minority leader of the House of  
2212 Representatives. Each director appointed by a member of the General  
2213 Assembly shall serve in accordance with the provisions of section 4-1a.  
2214 The appropriate legislative appointing authority shall fill any vacancy  
2215 for the unexpired term of a director appointed by such authority.

2216       (3) Any appointed director shall be eligible for reappointment. The  
2217 Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall not serve as a director. Any  
2218 director may be removed by order of the Superior Court upon  
2219 application of the Attorney General for misfeasance, malfeasance or  
2220 wilful neglect of duty. Such actions shall be tried to the court without a  
2221 jury and shall be privileged in assignment for hearing. If the court, after  
2222 hearing, finds there is clear and convincing evidence of such  
2223 misfeasance, malfeasance or wilful neglect of duty it shall order the  
2224 removal of such director. Any director so removed shall not be

2225 reappointed to the board.

2226 (c) The chairperson of the board shall be appointed by the Governor  
 2227 from among the members of the board. The directors shall annually elect  
 2228 one of their number as vice chairperson. The board may elect such other  
 2229 officers of the board as it deems proper. Directors shall receive no  
 2230 compensation for the performance of their duties under sections 12-563a  
 2231 and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, but shall be reimbursed for necessary  
 2232 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

2233 (d) Meetings of the corporation shall be held at such times as shall be  
 2234 specified in the bylaws adopted by the corporation and at such other  
 2235 time or times as the chairperson deems necessary.] On and after January  
 2236 1, 2021, the corporation shall be governed by the Commission on  
 2237 Gaming established in section 1 of this act.

2238 (c) The corporation shall, within the first ninety days of the transfer  
 2239 to the corporation of the lottery, pursuant to section 12-808, as amended  
 2240 by this act, and on a fiscal quarterly basis thereafter, report on its  
 2241 operations for the preceding fiscal quarter to the Governor and the joint  
 2242 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
 2243 matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding, and public safety. The  
 2244 report shall include a summary of the activities of the corporation, a  
 2245 statement of operations and, if necessary, recommendations for  
 2246 legislation to promote the purposes of the corporation. The accounts of  
 2247 the corporation shall be subject to audit by the state Auditors of Public  
 2248 Accounts. The corporation shall have independent certified public  
 2249 accountants audit its books and accounts at least once each fiscal year.  
 2250 The books, records and financial statements of the corporation shall be  
 2251 prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

2252 [(e)] (d) The Connecticut Lottery Corporation shall be a successor  
 2253 employer to the state and shall recognize existing bargaining units and  
 2254 collective bargaining agreements existing at the time of transfer of the  
 2255 lottery to the corporation. The employees of the corporation shall be  
 2256 considered state employees under the provisions of sections 5-270 to 5-

2257 280, inclusive. The corporation shall not be required to comply with  
 2258 personnel policies and procedures of the Department of Administrative  
 2259 Services and the Office of Policy and Management with regard to  
 2260 approval for the creation of new positions, the number of such positions,  
 2261 the decision to fill such positions or the time for filling such positions.  
 2262 The corporation, not the executive branch, shall have the power to  
 2263 determine whether an individual is qualified to fill a vacancy at the  
 2264 corporation. Nonmanagerial employees of the corporation shall be  
 2265 members of the classified service. Managerial employees shall be  
 2266 exempt from the classified service. The corporation shall have the ability  
 2267 to determine the qualifications and set the terms and conditions of  
 2268 employment of managerial employees including the establishment of  
 2269 incentive plans.

2270 [(f)] (e) (1) The corporation may create one or more new  
 2271 classifications of entrepreneurial sales employees as determined by the  
 2272 [board of directors] commission. Such classifications shall not be  
 2273 deemed comparable to other classifications in state service.

2274 (2) Upon the expiration of the collective bargaining agreement  
 2275 covering transferred sales employees, all terms and conditions of  
 2276 employment in a new entrepreneurial sales classification shall be subject  
 2277 to collective bargaining as part of the negotiation of a common successor  
 2278 agreement.

2279 [(g)] (f) The executive branch shall negotiate on behalf of the  
 2280 corporation for employees of the corporation covered by collective  
 2281 bargaining and represent the corporation in all other collective  
 2282 bargaining matters. The corporation shall be entitled to have a  
 2283 representative present at all such bargaining.

2284 [(h)] (g) In any interest arbitration regarding employees of the  
 2285 corporation, the arbitrator shall take into account as a factor, in addition  
 2286 to those factors specified in section 5-276a, the purposes of sections 1-  
 2287 120, 1-121, 1-125, 12-563, as amended by this act, 12-563a, as amended  
 2288 by this act, 12-564, 12-566, as amended by this act, 12-568a, as amended



2289 by this act, and 12-569, as amended by this act, subsection (c) of section  
 2290 12-574, as amended by this act, and sections 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive,  
 2291 as amended by this act, the entrepreneurial mission of the corporation  
 2292 and the necessity to provide flexibility and innovation to facilitate the  
 2293 success of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation in the marketplace. In  
 2294 any arbitration regarding any classification of entrepreneurial sales  
 2295 employees, the arbitrator shall include a term awarding incentive  
 2296 compensation for such employees for the purpose of motivating  
 2297 employees to maximize lottery sales.

2298 [(i)] (h) The officers and all other employees of the corporation shall  
 2299 be state employees for the purposes of group welfare benefits and  
 2300 retirement, including, but not limited to, those provided under chapter  
 2301 66 and sections 5-257 and 5-259. The corporation shall reimburse the  
 2302 appropriate state agencies for all costs incurred by such designation.

2303 Sec. 52. Section 12-802a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2304 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2305 No person shall be employed by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation  
 2306 until such person has obtained an occupational license issued by the  
 2307 [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming in  
 2308 accordance with regulations adopted under section 12-568a, as  
 2309 amended by this act.

2310 Sec. 53. Section 12-804 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2311 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2312 (a) [The] (1) Prior to January 1, 2021, the powers of the corporation  
 2313 shall be vested in and exercised by the board of directors.  
 2314 Notwithstanding subsection (a) of section 1-121, until the appointment  
 2315 of five directors, a majority of the ex-officio directors then in office or  
 2316 their deputy or member of their staff designated to represent them as a  
 2317 member may take such action, including, without limitation, the  
 2318 adoption of interim bylaws, and approval of the transfer of lottery  
 2319 operations contemplated under section 12-808, as amended by this act,  
 2320 as is necessary to organize the corporation. From and after the five or

2321 more directors, including ex-officio directors, have been seated a  
 2322 majority of the directors of the board then seated shall constitute a  
 2323 quorum. The affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present at a  
 2324 meeting of the board at which a quorum is present shall be necessary  
 2325 and sufficient for any action taken by the board. No vacancy in the  
 2326 membership of the board shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise  
 2327 all the rights and perform all the duties of the board. Any action taken  
 2328 by the board may be authorized by resolution at any regular or special  
 2329 meeting and shall take effect immediately unless otherwise provided in  
 2330 the resolution. Following the initial seating of five or more directors, the  
 2331 board shall have the power, from time to time, to ratify, adopt, amend  
 2332 and repeal bylaws for the conduct of its affairs. Notice of any regular  
 2333 meeting shall be given to directors as set forth in the bylaws of the  
 2334 corporation.

2335 (2) The terms of board members shall end on December 31, 2020, and  
 2336 the board shall cease its existence on said date. On and after January 1,  
 2337 2021, the Commission on Gaming established in section 1 of this act shall  
 2338 assume the functions previously performed by the board.

2339 (b) [The board may delegate to three or more of the directors powers  
 2340 and duties as it deems proper.] The [board] commission shall establish  
 2341 such committees, subcommittees or other entities as it deems necessary  
 2342 to further the purposes of the corporation including, but not limited to,  
 2343 an executive committee and a finance committee.

2344 Sec. 54. Section 12-805 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2345 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2346 (a) The [board] Commission on Gaming shall appoint officers of the  
 2347 corporation, which shall include a president, a secretary, and such other  
 2348 officers as the [board] commission may approve. Such officers shall not  
 2349 be members of the [board] commission, shall serve at the pleasure of the  
 2350 [board] commission and shall receive such compensation as shall be  
 2351 determined by the [board] commission. The president and secretary  
 2352 shall not be the same person. The president shall be the chief executive

2353 officer of the corporation. The president shall have the general charge,  
 2354 supervision and control of the operation and management of business  
 2355 and affairs of the corporation subject to the direction of the [board of  
 2356 directors] commission. The president shall have such other powers and  
 2357 duties as are generally incident to the office of the president and as may  
 2358 be assigned by the [board of directors] commission. The president shall  
 2359 not be a state employee. The president shall attend all meetings of the  
 2360 [board] commission related to the business of the corporation. The  
 2361 secretary shall keep a true, faithful and correct record of all proceedings  
 2362 and maintain and be custodian of all books, documents and papers filed  
 2363 with the corporation and of the book of minutes of the corporation and  
 2364 of its official seal. The secretary may cause copies to be made of all  
 2365 minutes and other records and documents of the corporation and may  
 2366 give certificates under the official seal of the corporation to the effect  
 2367 that such copies are true copies, and all persons dealing with the  
 2368 corporation may rely upon such certificates. The president or [his] the  
 2369 president's designee may serve as a member of such other boards or  
 2370 committees as may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes  
 2371 of the corporation.

2372 (b) The president shall take all such action as to the operation and  
 2373 management of the corporation as [he] the president in [his] the  
 2374 president's discretion deems advisable in order to enhance the monetary  
 2375 value of the corporation and the lottery.

2376 Sec. 55. Section 12-806 of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes  
 2377 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
 2378 *January 1, 2021*):

2379 (a) The purposes of the corporation shall be to: (1) Operate and  
 2380 manage the lottery in an entrepreneurial and business-like manner free  
 2381 from the budgetary and other constraints that affect state agencies; (2)  
 2382 provide continuing and increased revenue to the people of the state  
 2383 through the lottery by being responsive to market forces and acting  
 2384 generally as a corporation engaged in entrepreneurial pursuits; (3) pay  
 2385 to the trustee of the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds

2386 Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 10-183vv, the  
2387 amounts, if any, required pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-812;  
2388 and (4) ensure that the lottery continues to be operated with integrity  
2389 and for the public good.

2390 (b) The corporation shall have the following powers:

2391 (1) To receive as transferee from the state of Connecticut all of the  
2392 tangible and intangible assets constituting the lottery including the  
2393 exclusive right to operate the lottery as the exclusive lottery of the state  
2394 and, subject to subsection (b) of section 12-808, as amended by this act,  
2395 to assume and discharge all of the agreements, covenants and  
2396 obligations of the [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission on  
2397 Gaming entered into which constitute a part of the operation and  
2398 management of the lottery;

2399 (2) To operate and manage the lottery consistent with the provisions  
2400 of sections 1-120, 1-121, 1-125, 12-563, as amended by this act, 12-563a,  
2401 as amended by this act, 12-564, as amended by this act, 12-566, as  
2402 amended by this act, 12-568a, as amended by this act, and 12-569, as  
2403 amended by this act, subsection (c) of section 12-574, as amended by this  
2404 act, and sections 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, as amended by this act, and  
2405 as specifically provided in section 12-812, as amended by this act;

2406 (3) To have perpetual succession as a body corporate and to adopt  
2407 bylaws, policies and procedures for the operation of its affairs and  
2408 conduct of its businesses;

2409 (4) To introduce new lottery games, modify existing lottery games,  
2410 utilize existing and new technologies, determine distribution channels  
2411 for the sale of lottery tickets, introduce keno pursuant to signed  
2412 agreements with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan  
2413 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, in accordance with section 12-806c, and,  
2414 to the extent specifically authorized by regulations adopted by the  
2415 [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming  
2416 pursuant to chapter 54, introduce instant ticket vending machines,  
2417 kiosks and automated wagering systems or machines, with all such

2418 rights being subject to regulatory oversight by the [Department of  
2419 Consumer Protection] commission, except that the corporation shall not  
2420 offer any interactive on-line lottery games, including on-line video  
2421 lottery games for promotional purposes;

2422 (5) To establish an annual budget of revenues and expenditures,  
2423 along with reasonable reserves for working capital, capital  
2424 expenditures, debt retirement and other anticipated expenditures, in a  
2425 manner and at levels considered by the [board of directors] commission  
2426 as appropriate and prudent;

2427 (6) To adopt such administrative and operating procedures which the  
2428 [board of directors] commission deems appropriate;

2429 (7) To enter into agreements with one or more states or territories of  
2430 the United States for the promotion and operation of joint lottery games  
2431 and to continue to participate in any joint lottery game in which the  
2432 corporation participates on July 1, 2003, regardless of whether any  
2433 government-authorized lottery operated outside of the United States  
2434 participates in such game;

2435 (8) Subject to the provisions of section 12-815, as amended by this act,  
2436 to enter into agreements with vendors with respect to the operation and  
2437 management of the lottery, including operation of lottery terminals,  
2438 management services, printing of lottery tickets, management expertise,  
2439 marketing expertise, advertising or such other goods or services as the  
2440 [board of directors] commission deems necessary and appropriate;

2441 (9) To purchase or lease operating equipment, including, but not  
2442 limited to, computer gaming and automated wagering systems and to  
2443 employ agents or employees to operate such systems;

2444 (10) To retain unclaimed prize funds as additional revenue for the  
2445 state, or to use unclaimed prize funds to increase sales, or to return to  
2446 participants unclaimed prize funds in a manner designed to increase  
2447 sales;

2448 (11) To establish prize reserve accounts as the [board of directors]  
2449 commission deems appropriate;

2450 (12) To pay lottery prizes as awarded under section 12-812, as  
2451 amended by this act, to purchase annuities to fund such prizes, and to  
2452 assure that all annuities from which payments to winners of lottery  
2453 prizes are made are invested in instruments issued by agencies of the  
2454 United States government and backed by the full faith and credit of the  
2455 United States, or are issued by insurance companies licensed to do  
2456 business in the state, provided the issuer has been determined by the  
2457 [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming to be  
2458 financially stable and meets the minimum investment rating as  
2459 determined by the [department] commission;

2460 (13) To pay the Office of Policy and Management to reimburse the  
2461 Department of Consumer Protection and Commission on Gaming for  
2462 the reasonable and necessary costs arising from the department's and  
2463 the commission's regulatory oversight of the corporation, in accordance  
2464 with the assessment made pursuant to section 12-806b, as amended by  
2465 this act, including costs arising directly or indirectly from the licensing  
2466 of lottery agents, performance of state police background investigations,  
2467 and the implementation of subsection (b) of section 12-562, as amended  
2468 by this act, and sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, 12-568a, as  
2469 amended by this act, 12-569, as amended by this act, 12-570, 12-570a and  
2470 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, as amended by this act;

2471 (14) In the event that the operation or management of the corporation  
2472 becomes subject to the federal gaming occupation tax, to pay such tax  
2473 on behalf of lottery sales agents and to assist agents subject thereto;

2474 (15) To determine the commissions payable to lottery sales agents,  
2475 provided any agent's commission shall not average less than four per  
2476 cent of such agent's lottery sales;

2477 (16) To invest in, acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and  
2478 dispose of real property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into  
2479 agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or

2480 incidental to carrying out the purposes of sections 12-563a, as amended  
2481 by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, as amended by this act,  
2482 provided such transactions shall not be subject to approval, review or  
2483 regulation pursuant to title 4b or any other statute by any state agency,  
2484 except that real property transactions shall be subject to review by the  
2485 State Properties Review Board;

2486 (17) To borrow money for the purpose of obtaining working capital;

2487 (18) To hold patents, copyrights, trademarks, marketing rights,  
2488 licenses or any other evidence of protection or exclusivity issued under  
2489 the laws of the United States or any state;

2490 (19) To employ such assistants, agents and other employees as may  
2491 be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes in accordance with  
2492 sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive,  
2493 as amended by this act, to fix their compensation and, subject to the  
2494 provisions of subsections [(e) and (f)] (d) and (e) of section 12-802, as  
2495 amended by this act, establish all necessary and appropriate personnel  
2496 practices and policies; to engage consultants, accountants, attorneys and  
2497 financial and other independent professionals as may be necessary or  
2498 desirable to assist the corporation in performing its purposes in  
2499 accordance with sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to  
2500 12-818, inclusive, as amended by this act;

2501 (20) To make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary  
2502 or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its  
2503 powers under sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to  
2504 12-818, inclusive, as amended by this act;

2505 (21) In its own name, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded,  
2506 adopt a seal and alter the same at pleasure;

2507 (22) Subject to the approval of the board and to the requirement to  
2508 remit excess lottery funds to the General Fund as set forth in section 12-  
2509 812, as amended by this act, to invest any funds not needed for  
2510 immediate use or disbursement, including any funds held in approved

2511 reserve accounts, in investments permitted by sections 3-20 and 3-27a  
2512 for the proceeds of state bonds;

2513 (23) To procure insurance against any loss in connection with its  
2514 property and other assets in such amounts and from such insurers as it  
2515 deems desirable;

2516 (24) To the extent permitted under any contract with other persons to  
2517 which the corporation is a party, to consent to any termination,  
2518 modification, forgiveness or other change of any term of any contractual  
2519 right, payment, royalty, contract or agreement of any kind;

2520 (25) To acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of  
2521 personal property, and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements  
2522 with respect to such property on any terms necessary or incidental to  
2523 the carrying out of these purposes;

2524 (26) To account for and audit funds of the corporation;

2525 (27) To pay or provide for payment from operating revenues all  
2526 expenses, costs and obligations incurred by the corporation in the  
2527 exercise of the powers of the corporation under sections 12-563a, as  
2528 amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, as amended by this  
2529 act; and

2530 (28) To exercise any powers necessary to carry out the purposes of  
2531 sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive,  
2532 as amended by this act.

2533 Sec. 56. Section 12-806a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2534 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2535 As used in this section, "procedure" has the same meaning as  
2536 "procedure", as defined in subdivision (2) of section 1-120. The  
2537 [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming shall, for  
2538 the purposes of section 12-568a, as amended by this act, subsection (c)  
2539 of section 12-574, as amended by this act, sections 12-802a, as amended  
2540 by this act, and 12-815a, as amended by this act, and this section,



2541 regulate the activities of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to assure  
 2542 the integrity of the state lottery. In addition to the requirements of the  
 2543 provisions of chapter 12 and notwithstanding the provisions of section  
 2544 12-806, as amended by this act, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation  
 2545 shall, prior to implementing any procedure designed to assure the  
 2546 integrity of the state lottery, obtain the written approval of the  
 2547 [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming in  
 2548 accordance with regulations adopted under section 12-568a, as  
 2549 amended by this act.

2550 Sec. 57. Section 12-806b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2551 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2552 (a) (1) Commencing July 1, 2011, and annually thereafter until July 1,  
 2553 2020, the Office of Policy and Management shall assess the Connecticut  
 2554 Lottery Corporation in an amount sufficient to compensate the  
 2555 Department of Consumer Protection for the reasonable and necessary  
 2556 costs incurred by the department for the regulatory activities specified  
 2557 in subdivision (13) of subsection (b) of section 12-806, as amended by  
 2558 this act, for the preceding fiscal year ending June thirtieth.

2559 (2) On July 1, 2021, the Office of Policy and Management shall assess  
 2560 the Connecticut Lottery Corporation in an amount sufficient to  
 2561 compensate the Department of Consumer Protection and Commission  
 2562 on Gaming for the reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the  
 2563 department and commission for the regulatory activities specified in  
 2564 subdivision (13) of subsection (b) of section 12-806, as amended by this  
 2565 act, for the preceding fiscal year ending June thirtieth.

2566 (3) Commencing July 1, 2022, and annually thereafter, the Office of  
 2567 Policy and Management shall assess the Connecticut Lottery  
 2568 Corporation in an amount sufficient to compensate the Commission on  
 2569 Gaming for the reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the  
 2570 commission for the regulatory activities specified in subdivision (13) of  
 2571 subsection (b) of section 12-806, as amended by this act, for the  
 2572 preceding fiscal year ending June thirtieth.

2573 (b) For the assessment year ending June 30, 2012, the Office of Policy  
2574 and Management shall, on or before August 1, 2012, submit the total of  
2575 the assessment made in accordance with subsection (a) of this section,  
2576 together with a proposed assessment for the succeeding fiscal year  
2577 based on the preceding fiscal year cost, to the Connecticut Lottery  
2578 Corporation. The assessment for the preceding fiscal year shall be  
2579 determined not later than September 15, 2011, after receiving any  
2580 objections to the proposed assessments and making such changes or  
2581 adjustments as the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management  
2582 determines to be warranted. The corporation shall pay the total  
2583 assessment in quarterly payments to the Office of Policy and  
2584 Management, with the first payment commencing on October 1, 2011,  
2585 and with the remaining payments to be made on January 1, 2012, April  
2586 1, 2012, and June 1, 2012. The office shall deposit any such payment in  
2587 the lottery assessment account established under subsection (d) of this  
2588 section.

2589 (c) For the assessment year ending June 30, 2013, and each assessment  
2590 year thereafter, the Office of Policy and Management shall, on or before  
2591 May first of each year, submit the total of the assessment made in  
2592 accordance with subsection (a) of this section, together with a proposed  
2593 assessment for the succeeding fiscal year based on the preceding fiscal  
2594 year cost, to the Connecticut Lottery Corporation. The assessment for  
2595 the preceding fiscal year shall be determined not later than June  
2596 fifteenth of each year, after receiving any objections to the proposed  
2597 assessments and making such changes or adjustments as the Secretary  
2598 of the Office of Policy and Management determines to be warranted.  
2599 The corporation shall pay the total assessment in quarterly payments to  
2600 the Office of Policy and Management, with the first payment  
2601 commencing on July first of each year, and with the remaining  
2602 payments to be made on October first, January first and April first  
2603 annually. The office shall deposit any such payment in the lottery  
2604 assessment account established under subsection (d) of this section.

2605 (d) (1) There is established an account to be known as the "lottery  
2606 assessment account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account

2607 within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys  
2608 required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account  
2609 shall be expended by the [Department of Consumer Protection]  
2610 Commission on Gaming.

2611 (2) The Office of Policy and Management shall transfer to the  
2612 Department of Consumer Protection any portion of a payment that is  
2613 received by the office under an assessment for the reasonable and  
2614 necessary costs incurred by the department for regulatory activities  
2615 related to the Connecticut Lottery Corporation prior to January 1, 2021.

2616 (e) Notwithstanding any provision of this section, the final quarterly  
2617 payment for the assessment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, shall  
2618 be paid on July 1, 2011.

2619 Sec. 58. Section 12-807 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2620 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2621 (a) The corporation shall:

2622 (1) Comply with all laws, rules and regulations of the United States  
2623 and the state of Connecticut;

2624 (2) Comply with regulations, adopted by the [Department of  
2625 Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming in accordance with  
2626 chapter 54. [;]

2627 (b) The corporation shall not:

2628 (1) Sell, transfer, assign, deliver, license, grant or otherwise alienate  
2629 any portion or aspect of the lottery or lottery operations, but may sell  
2630 real or personal property, provided any revenue from such sale shall be  
2631 remitted to the state;

2632 (2) Take any action with respect to the introduction or modification  
2633 of lottery games which would cause a violation of any compact or any  
2634 memorandum of understanding or agreement from time to time in force  
2635 between the state and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation or the

2636 Mohegan Tribe of Montville, Connecticut, or any future compact or  
2637 agreement with a federally recognized tribe.

2638 Sec. 59. Section 12-808 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2639 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2640 (a) As soon as practicable after July 1, 1996, and the organization of  
2641 the corporation, the corporation shall enter into such agreements as the  
2642 board shall authorize in order to effect the transfer, assignment and  
2643 delivery to the corporation from the state of all the tangible and  
2644 intangible assets constituting the lottery, including the exclusive right to  
2645 operate the lottery, and, subject to subsection (b) of this section, to effect  
2646 the assignment to and assumption by the corporation of all agreements,  
2647 covenants and obligations of the [Department of Consumer Protection]  
2648 Commission on Gaming and other agencies of the state relating to the  
2649 operation and management of the lottery. Such agreements may contain  
2650 such other provisions as the board deems necessary or appropriate for  
2651 the continued operation of the lottery by the corporation pursuant to  
2652 sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive,  
2653 as amended by this act.

2654 (b) The state shall transfer to the corporation ownership of all  
2655 annuities it purchased for payment of lottery prizes and shall not be  
2656 liable for any lottery awards. In addition, the state shall not be liable for  
2657 any obligations of the lottery arising prior to the date of transfer as  
2658 described in subsection (a) of this section, including those arising in the  
2659 ordinary course of business under existing contracts specifically  
2660 assumed by the corporation. The [Department of Consumer Protection]  
2661 Commission on Gaming shall assign to the corporation any annuity for  
2662 payment of any lottery award arising on or before the date of such  
2663 transfer. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing with the [department]  
2664 commission, the corporation shall be solely responsible for the payment  
2665 of all lottery prizes and the purchase of all annuities to provide revenue  
2666 for such payment.

2667 (c) The corporation shall request and obtain all approvals, consents

2668 and rulings of and from all state and federal governmental agencies  
2669 necessary or in order to effect the transactions contemplated by this  
2670 section.

2671 Sec. 60. Section 12-809 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2672 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2673 [Each director and the] The president shall execute a surety bond in  
2674 the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars. The [chairman of the board]  
2675 Commission on Gaming may [execute] authorize the corporation to  
2676 execute a blanket position surety bond, or arrange for separate surety  
2677 bonds, covering [each director,] the president and the employees of the  
2678 corporation at amounts determined by the [board] commission, but in  
2679 no event less than the sum of fifty thousand dollars per person. Each  
2680 surety bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the  
2681 duties of the office or offices covered, be executed by a surety company  
2682 authorized to transact business in this state as surety, be approved by  
2683 the Attorney General and be filed in the office of the Secretary of the  
2684 State. The cost of each such bond shall be paid by the corporation.

2685 Sec. 61. Section 12-811 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2686 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2687 (a) The president and all [directors,] officers and employees of the  
2688 corporation shall be state employees for purposes of sections 1-79 to 1-  
2689 89, inclusive.

2690 (b) No [director,] member of the Commission on Gaming or officer or  
2691 employee of the corporation shall, directly or indirectly, participate in,  
2692 or share in the winnings from, a game conducted pursuant to sections  
2693 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, as  
2694 amended by this act.

2695 Sec. 62. Section 12-812 of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes  
2696 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
2697 *January 1, 2021*):

2698 (a) The president of the corporation, subject to the direction of the  
 2699 [board] Commission on Gaming, shall conduct daily, weekly,  
 2700 multistate, special instant or other lottery games and shall determine the  
 2701 number of times a lottery shall be held each year, the form and price of  
 2702 the tickets and the aggregate amount of prizes, which shall not be less  
 2703 than forty-five per cent of the sales unless required by the terms of any  
 2704 agreement entered into for the conduct of multistate lottery games. The  
 2705 proceeds of the sale of tickets shall be deposited in the lottery fund of  
 2706 the corporation from which prizes shall be paid, upon vouchers signed  
 2707 by the president, or by either of two persons designated and authorized  
 2708 by [him] the president, in such numbers and amounts as the president  
 2709 determines. The corporation may limit its liability in games with fixed  
 2710 payouts and may cause a cessation of sales of tickets of certain  
 2711 designation when such liability limit has been reached.

2712 (b) The president, subject to the direction of the [board] commission,  
 2713 may enter into agreements for the sale of product advertising on lottery  
 2714 tickets, play slips and other lottery media.

2715 (c) On a weekly basis, the president shall estimate, and certify to the  
 2716 State Treasurer, that portion of the balance in the lottery fund which  
 2717 exceeds the current needs of the corporation for the payment of prizes,  
 2718 the payment of current operating expenses and funding of approved  
 2719 reserves of the corporation. The corporation shall transfer the amount  
 2720 so certified from the lottery fund of the corporation to the General Fund  
 2721 upon notification of receipt of such certification by the Treasurer, except  
 2722 that if the amount on deposit in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement  
 2723 Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 10-  
 2724 183vv, is less than the required minimum capital reserve, as defined in  
 2725 subsection (b) of said section, the corporation shall pay such amount so  
 2726 certified to the trustee of the fund for deposit in the fund. If the  
 2727 corporation transfers any moneys to the General Fund at any time when  
 2728 the amount on deposit in said capital reserve fund is less than the  
 2729 required minimum capital reserve, the amount of such transfer shall be  
 2730 deemed appropriated from the General Fund to the Connecticut  
 2731 Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund.

2732 Sec. 63. Subsection (a) of section 12-813 of the general statutes is  
2733 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
2734 *1, 2021*):

2735 (a) The corporation may sell lottery tickets at any location in the state  
2736 determined by the president which, in the opinion of the president, will  
2737 best enhance lottery revenues, except that no license shall be issued by  
2738 the [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming to  
2739 any person to engage in business exclusively as a lottery sales agent.  
2740 Subject to the provisions of subdivision (15) of subsection (b) of section  
2741 12-806, as amended by this act, the president may authorize  
2742 compensation to such agents in such manner and amounts and subject  
2743 to such limitations as he may determine if he finds such compensation  
2744 is necessary to assure adequate availability of lottery tickets, provided,  
2745 if such agent is a lessee of state property and [his] the agent's rental fee  
2746 is based upon the gross receipts of [his] the agent's business conducted  
2747 thereon, all receipts from the sale of such lottery tickets shall be excluded  
2748 from such gross receipts for rental purposes. The president may  
2749 suspend for cause any licensed agent, subject to a final determination  
2750 through a hearing provided by the [Department of Consumer  
2751 Protection] Commission on Gaming.

2752 Sec. 64. Subsection (a) of section 12-815 of the general statutes is  
2753 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
2754 *1, 2021*):

2755 (a) The corporation shall establish and adopt specific policies, rules  
2756 and procedures on purchasing and contracting. Such policies, rules and  
2757 procedures or amendments thereto shall be approved by a two-thirds  
2758 vote of the entire board. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to  
2759 the contrary, the corporation may enter into management, consulting  
2760 and other agreements for the provision of goods, services and  
2761 professional advisors necessary or useful in connection with the  
2762 operation and management of the lottery (1) pursuant to a process of  
2763 open or competitive bidding, provided (A) the corporation shall first  
2764 determine the format, content and scope of any agreement for any

2765 procurement of goods or services, the conditions under which bidding  
 2766 will take place and the schedule and stipulations for contract award, and  
 2767 (B) the corporation may select the contractor deemed to have submitted  
 2768 the most favorable bid, considering price and other factors, when, in the  
 2769 judgment of the corporation, such award is in the best interests of the  
 2770 corporation, or (2) if the corporation, in its discretion, determines that,  
 2771 due to the nature of the agreement to be contracted for or procured,  
 2772 open or public bidding is either impracticable or not in the best interests  
 2773 of the corporation, by negotiation with such prospective providers as  
 2774 the corporation may determine. The terms and conditions of agreements  
 2775 and the fees or other compensation to be paid to such persons shall be  
 2776 determined by the corporation. The agreements entered into by the  
 2777 corporation in accordance with the provisions of this section shall not  
 2778 be subject to the approval of any state department, office or agency,  
 2779 except as provided in regulations adopted by the [Department of  
 2780 Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming. Nothing in this section  
 2781 shall be deemed to restrict the discretion of the corporation to utilize its  
 2782 own staff and workforce for the performance of any of its assigned  
 2783 responsibilities and functions whenever, in the discretion of the  
 2784 corporation, it becomes necessary, convenient or desirable to do so.  
 2785 Copies of all agreements of the corporation shall be maintained by the  
 2786 corporation at its offices as public records, subject to said exemption.

2787 Sec. 65. Section 12-815a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2788 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2789 (a) The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on  
 2790 Gaming shall issue vendor, affiliate and occupational licenses in  
 2791 accordance with the provisions of this section.

2792 (b) No person or business organization awarded a primary contract  
 2793 by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to provide facilities,  
 2794 components, goods or services that are necessary for and directly related  
 2795 to the secure operation of the activities of said corporation shall do so  
 2796 unless such person or business organization is issued a vendor license  
 2797 by the [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] Commission on



2798 Gaming. For the purposes of this subsection, "primary contract" means  
 2799 a contract to provide facilities, components, goods or services to said  
 2800 corporation by a person or business organization (1) that provides any  
 2801 lottery game or any online wagering system related facilities,  
 2802 components, goods or services and that receives or, in the exercise of  
 2803 reasonable business judgment, can be expected to receive more than  
 2804 seventy-five thousand dollars or twenty-five per cent of its gross annual  
 2805 sales from said corporation, or (2) that has access to the facilities of said  
 2806 corporation and provides services in such facilities without supervision  
 2807 by said corporation. Each applicant for a vendor license shall pay a  
 2808 nonrefundable application fee of two hundred fifty dollars.

2809 (c) No person or business organization, other than a shareholder in a  
 2810 publicly traded corporation, may be a subcontractor for the provision of  
 2811 facilities, components, goods or services that are necessary for and  
 2812 directly related to the secure operation of the activities of the  
 2813 Connecticut Lottery Corporation, or may exercise control in or over a  
 2814 vendor licensee unless such person or business organization is licensed  
 2815 as an affiliate licensee by the [commissioner] commission. Each  
 2816 applicant for an affiliate license shall pay a nonrefundable application  
 2817 fee of two hundred fifty dollars.

2818 (d) (1) Each employee of a vendor or affiliate licensee who has access  
 2819 to the facilities of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation and provides  
 2820 services in such facilities without supervision by said corporation or  
 2821 performs duties directly related to the activities of said corporation shall  
 2822 obtain an occupational license.

2823 (2) Each officer, director, partner, trustee or owner of a business  
 2824 organization licensed as a vendor or affiliate licensee and any  
 2825 shareholder, executive, agent or other person connected with any  
 2826 vendor or affiliate licensee who, in the judgment of the [commissioner]  
 2827 commission, will exercise control in or over any such licensee shall  
 2828 obtain an occupational license.

2829 (3) Each employee of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation shall

2830 obtain an occupational license.

2831 (e) The [commissioner] commission shall issue occupational licenses  
 2832 in the following classes: (1) Class I for persons specified in subdivision  
 2833 (1) of subsection (d) of this section; (2) Class II for persons specified in  
 2834 subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section; (3) Class III for persons  
 2835 specified in subdivision (3) of subsection (d) of this section who, in the  
 2836 judgment of the [commissioner] commission, will not exercise authority  
 2837 over or direct the management and policies of the Connecticut Lottery  
 2838 Corporation; and (4) Class IV for persons specified in subdivision (3) of  
 2839 subsection (d) of this section who, in the judgment of the [commissioner]  
 2840 commission, will exercise authority over or direct the management and  
 2841 policies of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation. Each applicant for a  
 2842 Class I or III occupational license shall pay a nonrefundable application  
 2843 fee of twenty dollars. Each applicant for a Class II or IV occupational  
 2844 license shall pay a nonrefundable application fee of one hundred  
 2845 dollars. The nonrefundable application fee shall accompany the  
 2846 application for each such occupational license.

2847 (f) In determining whether to grant a vendor, affiliate or occupational  
 2848 license to any such person or business organization, the [commissioner]  
 2849 commission may require an applicant to provide information as to such  
 2850 applicant's: (1) Financial standing and credit; (2) moral character; (3)  
 2851 criminal record, if any; (4) previous employment; (5) corporate,  
 2852 partnership or association affiliations; (6) ownership of personal assets;  
 2853 and (7) such other information as the [commissioner] commission  
 2854 deems pertinent to the issuance of such license, provided the submission  
 2855 of such other information will assure the integrity of the state lottery.  
 2856 The [commissioner] commission shall require each applicant for a  
 2857 vendor, affiliate or occupational license to submit to state and national  
 2858 criminal history records checks and may require each such applicant to  
 2859 submit to an international criminal history records check before such  
 2860 license is issued. The state and national criminal history records checks  
 2861 required pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted in accordance  
 2862 with section 29-17a. The [commissioner] commission shall issue a  
 2863 vendor, affiliate or occupational license, as the case may be, to each

2864 applicant who satisfies the requirements of this subsection and who is  
2865 deemed qualified by the [commissioner] commission. The  
2866 [commissioner] commission may reject for good cause an application for  
2867 a vendor, affiliate or occupational license.

2868 (g) Each vendor, affiliate or Class I or II occupational license shall be  
2869 effective for not more than one year from the date of issuance. Each  
2870 Class III or IV occupational license shall remain in effect throughout the  
2871 term of employment of any such employee holding such a license. The  
2872 [commissioner] commission may require each employee issued a Class  
2873 IV occupational license to submit information as to such employee's  
2874 financial standing and credit annually. Initial application for and  
2875 renewal of any such license shall be in such form and manner as the  
2876 [commissioner] commission shall prescribe.

2877 (h) (1) The [commissioner] commission may suspend or revoke for  
2878 good cause a vendor, affiliate or occupational license after a hearing  
2879 held before the [commissioner] commission in accordance with chapter  
2880 54. The [commissioner] commission may order summary suspension of  
2881 any such license in accordance with subsection (c) of section 4-182.

2882 (2) Any such applicant aggrieved by the action of the [commissioner]  
2883 commission concerning an application for a license, or any person or  
2884 business organization whose license is suspended or revoked, may  
2885 appeal pursuant to section 4-183.

2886 (3) The [commissioner] commission may impose a civil penalty on  
2887 any licensee for a violation of any provision of this chapter or any  
2888 regulation adopted under section 12-568a, as amended by this act, in an  
2889 amount not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars after a hearing  
2890 held in accordance with chapter 54.

2891 (i) The [commissioner] commission may require that the books and  
2892 records of any vendor or affiliate licensee be maintained in any manner  
2893 which the [commissioner] commission may deem best, and that any  
2894 financial or other statements based on such books and records be  
2895 prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles

2896 in such form as the [commissioner] commission shall prescribe. The  
 2897 [commissioner or a designee] commission may visit, investigate and  
 2898 place expert accountants and such other persons as deemed necessary  
 2899 in the offices or places of business of any such licensee for the purpose  
 2900 of satisfying [himself or herself] the commission that such licensee is in  
 2901 compliance with the commission's regulations. [of the department.]

2902 (j) For the purposes of this section, (1) "business organization" means  
 2903 a partnership, incorporated or unincorporated association, firm,  
 2904 corporation, trust or other form of business or legal entity; (2) "control"  
 2905 means the power to exercise authority over or direct the management  
 2906 and policies of a licensee; and (3) "person" means any individual.

2907 (k) The [Commissioner of Consumer Protection] commission may  
 2908 adopt such regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, as are necessary  
 2909 to implement the provisions of this section.

2910 Sec. 66. Subsection (b) of section 17a-713 of the general statutes is  
 2911 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
 2912 *1, 2021*):

2913 (b) The program established by subsection (a) of this section shall be  
 2914 funded by: [imposition of:] (1) [A] Imposition of a fee of one hundred  
 2915 thirty-five dollars on each association license, for each performance of  
 2916 jai alai or dog racing conducted under the provisions of chapter 226,  
 2917 provided no such licensee shall contribute more than forty-five  
 2918 thousand dollars in any one year; (2) imposition of a fee of twenty-five  
 2919 dollars for each teletheater performance on each operator of a teletheater  
 2920 facility; [and] (3) the amount received from the Connecticut Lottery  
 2921 Corporation pursuant to section 12-818; and (4) a transfer of two per cent  
 2922 of the revenue the state obtains from any form of gaming newly enacted  
 2923 or authorized in the state on or after January 1, 2021. The [Commissioner  
 2924 of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming shall collect the fee  
 2925 from each association licensee or such operator on a monthly basis. The  
 2926 receipts shall be deposited in the General Fund and credited to a  
 2927 separate, nonlapsing chronic gamblers treatment and rehabilitation

2928 account which shall be established by the Comptroller. All moneys in  
2929 the account are deemed to be appropriated and shall be expended for  
2930 the purposes established in subsection (a) of this section.

2931 Sec. 67. Section 21a-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2932 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2933 (a) There shall be a Department of Consumer Protection which shall  
2934 be under the direction and supervision of a Commissioner of Consumer  
2935 Protection, who shall be appointed by the Governor in accordance with  
2936 the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive.

2937 (b) The Department of Consumer Protection shall constitute a  
2938 successor agency, in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d  
2939 and 4-39, to the Department of Public Safety with respect to all  
2940 functions, powers and duties of the Department of Public Safety under  
2941 chapter 532. Where any order or regulation of said departments conflict,  
2942 the Commissioner of Consumer Protection may implement policies and  
2943 procedures consistent with the provisions of chapter 532 while in the  
2944 process of adopting the policy or procedure in regulation form,  
2945 provided notice of intention to adopt regulations is printed in the  
2946 Connecticut Law Journal within twenty days of implementation. The  
2947 policy or procedure shall be valid until the time final regulations are  
2948 effective.

2949 [(c) The Department of Consumer Protection shall constitute a  
2950 successor agency to the Division of Special Revenue in accordance with  
2951 the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39. Where any order or regulation  
2952 of said division and department conflict, the Commissioner of  
2953 Consumer Protection may implement policies and procedures  
2954 consistent with chapters 98, 226, 438a, 529, 545, 557 and 946, while in the  
2955 process of adopting the policy or procedure in regulation form,  
2956 provided notice of intention to adopt regulations is printed in the  
2957 Connecticut Law Journal within twenty days of implementation. Any  
2958 such policy or procedure shall be valid until the time final regulations  
2959 are effective.

2960 (d) The Department of Consumer Protection shall constitute a  
 2961 successor agency to the Gaming Policy Board in accordance with the  
 2962 provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39. Where any order or regulation of  
 2963 said board and department conflict, the Commissioner of Consumer  
 2964 Protection may implement policies and procedures consistent with  
 2965 chapters 98, 226 and 545 while in the process of adopting the policy or  
 2966 procedure in regulation form, provided notice of intention to adopt  
 2967 regulations is printed in the Connecticut Law Journal within twenty  
 2968 days of implementation. Any such policy or procedure shall be valid  
 2969 until the time final regulations are effective.]

2970 Sec. 68. Section 22-410 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2971 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2972 The Department of Agriculture and the [Department of Consumer  
 2973 Protection] Commission on Gaming, within the limitations of funds  
 2974 available, may offer cash awards to the breeders of Connecticut-bred  
 2975 horses which officially finish in first place in horse races conducted in  
 2976 this state where pari-mutuel betting is permitted and to those which  
 2977 finish first, second or third in horse races where pari-mutuel betting is  
 2978 permitted and the total purse is twenty thousand dollars or more, and  
 2979 to owners at the time of service of the stallions which sired such horses.  
 2980 Such awards shall be paid from the Connecticut Breeders' Fund to be  
 2981 administered by the [departments] department and commission. Said  
 2982 fund shall consist of revenues derived from pari-mutuel betting in such  
 2983 races in the state, both on and off-track, consisting of twenty-five per  
 2984 cent of the tax derived from the breakage of the state's share of the tax  
 2985 derived from such races, pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of  
 2986 section 12-575, as amended by this act, with a limit set for the fund not  
 2987 to exceed fifty thousand dollars in any fiscal year.

2988 Sec. 69. Section 22-412 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2989 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

2990 The Department of Agriculture and the [Department of Consumer  
 2991 Protection] Commission on Gaming shall use part of said fund for

2992 programs to promote the equine industry in the state of Connecticut,  
 2993 such as equine activities, facilities and research. The Department of  
 2994 Agriculture and the [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission  
 2995 on Gaming may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of  
 2996 chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section and sections 22-410,  
 2997 as amended by this act, and 22-411.

2998 Sec. 70. Section 29-7c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2999 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

3000 There is established a unit in the Division of State Police within the  
 3001 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to be known  
 3002 as the legalized gambling investigative unit. The unit, in conjunction  
 3003 with the special [policemen] police officers in the [Department of  
 3004 Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming, shall be responsible for  
 3005 (1) the criminal enforcement of the provisions of sections 7-169 to 7-186,  
 3006 inclusive, as amended by this act, and chapters 226, 226b and 229a, as  
 3007 amended by this act, and (2) the investigation, detection of and  
 3008 assistance in the prosecution of any criminal matter or alleged violation  
 3009 of criminal law with respect to legalized gambling, provided the  
 3010 legalized gambling investigative unit shall be the primary criminal  
 3011 enforcement agency. Nothing in this section shall limit the powers  
 3012 granted to persons appointed to act as special [policemen] police officers  
 3013 in accordance with the provisions of section 29-18c, as amended by this  
 3014 act.

3015 Sec. 71. Section 29-18c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 3016 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

3017 The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection may  
 3018 appoint not more than four persons employed as investigators in the  
 3019 security unit of the [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission  
 3020 on Gaming, upon the nomination of the [Commissioner of Consumer  
 3021 Protection] commission, to act as special [policemen] police officers in  
 3022 said unit. Such appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the  
 3023 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection. During

3024 such tenure, they shall have all the powers conferred on state  
 3025 ~~[policemen]~~ police officers while investigating or making arrests for any  
 3026 offense arising from the operation of any off-track betting system or the  
 3027 conduct of any lottery game. Such special ~~[policemen]~~ police officers  
 3028 shall be certified under the provisions of sections 7-294a to 7-294e,  
 3029 inclusive.

3030 Sec. 72. Subsection (a) of section 30-20 of the general statutes is  
 3031 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
 3032 *1, 2021*):

3033 (a) A package store permit shall allow the retail sale of alcoholic  
 3034 liquor not to be consumed on the premises, such sales to be made only  
 3035 in sealed bottles or other containers. The holder of a package store  
 3036 permit may, in accordance with regulations adopted by the Department  
 3037 of Consumer Protection pursuant to the provisions of chapter 54, offer  
 3038 free samples of alcoholic liquor for tasting on the premises, conduct fee-  
 3039 based wine education and tasting classes and demonstrations and  
 3040 conduct tastings or demonstrations provided by a permittee or backer  
 3041 of a package store for a nominal charge to charitable nonprofit  
 3042 organizations. Any offering, tasting, wine education and tasting class or  
 3043 demonstration held on permit premises shall be conducted only during  
 3044 the hours a package store is permitted to sell alcoholic liquor under  
 3045 section 30-91. No tasting of wine on the premises shall be offered from  
 3046 more than ten uncorked bottles at any one time. No store operating  
 3047 under a package store permit shall sell any commodity other than  
 3048 alcoholic liquor except that, notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
 3049 such store may sell (1) cigarettes and cigars, (2) publications, (3) bar  
 3050 utensils, which shall include, but need not be limited to, corkscrews,  
 3051 beverage strainers, stirrers or other similar items used to consume or  
 3052 related to the consumption of alcoholic liquor, (4) gift packages of  
 3053 alcoholic liquor shipped into the state by a manufacturer or out-of-state  
 3054 shipper, which may include a nonalcoholic item in the gift package that  
 3055 may be any item, except food or tobacco products, provided the dollar  
 3056 value of the nonalcoholic items does not exceed the dollar value of the  
 3057 alcoholic items of the package, (5) complementary fresh fruits used in



the preparation of mixed alcoholic beverages, (6) cheese or crackers, or both, (7) olives, (8) nonalcoholic beverages, (9) concentrates used in the preparation of mixed alcoholic beverages, (10) beer and wine-making kits and products related to beer and wine-making kits, (11) ice in any form, (12) articles of clothing imprinted with advertising related to the alcoholic liquor industry, (13) gift baskets or other containers of alcoholic liquor, (14) multiple packages of alcoholic liquors, as defined in subdivision (3) of section 30-1, provided in all such cases the minimum retail selling price for such alcoholic liquor shall apply, (15) lottery tickets authorized by the [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming, if licensed as an agent to sell such tickets by said department, and (16) gift baskets containing only containers of alcoholic liquor and commodities authorized for sale under subdivisions (1) to (15), inclusive, of this subsection. A package store permit shall also allow the taking and transmitting of orders for delivery of such merchandise in other states. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a package store permit shall allow the participation in any lottery ticket promotion or giveaway sponsored by the [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming. The annual fee for a package store permit shall be five hundred thirty-five dollars.

Sec. 73. Subsection (e) of section 30-22a of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by section 22 of public act 19-24, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

(e) For purposes of compliance with this section, "cafe" shall include all of the land and buildings in which the principal business conducted is racing or jai alai exhibitions, with pari-mutuel betting licensed by the [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission on Gaming.

Sec. 74. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 30-39 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

(b) (1) Any person desiring a liquor permit or a renewal of such a

3090 permit shall make a sworn application therefor to the Department of  
 3091 Consumer Protection upon forms to be furnished by the department,  
 3092 showing the name and address of the applicant and of the applicant's  
 3093 backer, if any, the location of the club or place of business which is to be  
 3094 operated under such permit and a financial statement setting forth all  
 3095 elements and details of any business transactions connected with the  
 3096 application. Such application shall include a detailed description of the  
 3097 type of live entertainment that is to be provided. A club or place of  
 3098 business shall be exempt from providing such detailed description if the  
 3099 club or place of business (A) was issued a liquor permit prior to October  
 3100 1, 1993, and (B) has not altered the type of entertainment provided. The  
 3101 application shall also indicate any crimes of which the applicant or the  
 3102 applicant's backer may have been convicted. Applicants shall submit  
 3103 documents sufficient to establish that state and local building, fire and  
 3104 zoning requirements and local ordinances concerning hours and days  
 3105 of sale will be met, except that local building and zoning requirements  
 3106 and local ordinances concerning hours and days of sale shall not apply  
 3107 to any class of airport permit. The State Fire Marshal or the marshal's  
 3108 certified designee shall be responsible for approving compliance with  
 3109 the State Fire Code at Bradley International Airport. Any person  
 3110 desiring a permit provided for in section 30-33b, as amended by this act,  
 3111 shall file a copy of such person's license with such application if such  
 3112 license was issued by the [Department of Consumer Protection]  
 3113 Commission on Gaming. The department may, at its discretion, conduct  
 3114 an investigation to determine whether a permit shall be issued to an  
 3115 applicant.

3116 Sec. 75. Section 30-59a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 3117 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

3118 (a) The Department of Consumer Protection may suspend any permit  
 3119 issued under this chapter if the permittee has had a license suspended  
 3120 or revoked by the department until such license has been restored to  
 3121 such person.

3122 (b) The department may, upon notice from the Commission on

3123 Gaming of the name and address of any person who has had a license  
 3124 suspended or revoked by the commission, suspend any permit issued  
 3125 under this chapter until such license has been restored to such person.  
 3126 The department shall notify the commission of the name and address of  
 3127 any permittee whose permit has been suspended or revoked.

3128 Sec. 76. Subsection (c) of section 31-51y of the general statutes is  
 3129 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
 3130 *1, 2021*):

3131 (c) Nothing in sections 31-51t to 31-51aa, inclusive, as amended by  
 3132 this act, shall restrict or prevent a urinalysis drug test program  
 3133 conducted under the supervision of the [Department of Consumer  
 3134 Protection] Commission on Gaming relative to jai alai players, jai alai  
 3135 court judges, jockeys, harness drivers or stewards participating in  
 3136 activities upon which pari-mutuel wagering is authorized under  
 3137 chapter 226.

3138 Sec. 77. Section 53-278g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 3139 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

3140 (a) Nothing in sections 53-278a to 53-278f, inclusive, shall be  
 3141 construed to prohibit the publication of an advertisement of, or the  
 3142 operation of, or participation in, a state lottery, pari-mutuel betting at  
 3143 race tracks licensed by the state, off-track betting conducted by the state  
 3144 or a licensee authorized to operate the off-track betting system,  
 3145 authorized games at a casino gaming facility, a promotional drawing for  
 3146 a prize or prizes, conducted for advertising purposes by any person,  
 3147 firm or corporation other than a retail grocer or retail grocery chain,  
 3148 wherein members of the general public may participate without making  
 3149 any purchase or otherwise paying or risking credit, money, or any other  
 3150 tangible thing of value or a sweepstakes conducted pursuant to sections  
 3151 42-295 to 42-301, inclusive.

3152 (b) The Mashantucket Pequot tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians  
 3153 of Connecticut, or their agents, may use and possess at any location  
 3154 within the state, solely for the purpose of training individuals in skills

3155 required for employment by the tribe or testing a gambling device, any  
 3156 gambling device which the tribes are authorized to utilize on their  
 3157 reservations pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act;  
 3158 provided no money or other thing of value shall be paid to any person  
 3159 as a result of the operation of such gambling device in the course of such  
 3160 training or testing at locations outside of the reservation of the tribe. Any  
 3161 person receiving such training or testing such device may use any such  
 3162 device in the course of such training or testing. Whenever either of said  
 3163 tribes intends to use and possess at any location within the state any  
 3164 such gambling device for the purpose of testing such device, the tribe  
 3165 shall give prior notice of such testing to the [Department of Consumer  
 3166 Protection] Commission on Gaming.

3167 (c) Any casino gaming facility, or its agents, may use and possess at  
 3168 any location within the state, solely for the purpose of training  
 3169 individuals in skills required for employment by the casino gaming  
 3170 facility or testing a gambling device, any gambling device which the  
 3171 casino gaming facility may use for conducting authorized games at the  
 3172 casino gaming facility, provided no money or other thing of value shall  
 3173 be paid to any person as a result of the operation of such gambling  
 3174 device in the course of such training or testing at locations outside of the  
 3175 casino gaming facility. Any person receiving such training or testing  
 3176 such device may use any such device in the course of such training or  
 3177 testing. Whenever a casino gaming facility intends to use and possess at  
 3178 any location within the state any such gambling device for the purpose  
 3179 of testing such device, the casino gambling facility shall give prior notice  
 3180 of such testing to the [Department of Consumer Protection] Commission  
 3181 on Gaming.

3182 Sec. 78. Sections 12-570b and 21a-1b of the general statutes are  
 3183 repealed. (*Effective January 1, 2021*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	4-5

Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	4-5
Sec. 4	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	4-38c
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	4-38c
Sec. 6	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	7-169d
Sec. 7	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	7-169h
Sec. 8	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	7-169i
Sec. 9	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	7-178
Sec. 10	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-3a
Sec. 11	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-557b
Sec. 12	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-559
Sec. 13	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-560
Sec. 14	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-561
Sec. 15	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-562
Sec. 16	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-563
Sec. 17	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-563a
Sec. 18	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-564
Sec. 19	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-564a
Sec. 20	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-565
Sec. 21	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-565a
Sec. 22	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-566
Sec. 23	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-568a
Sec. 24	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-569
Sec. 25	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-571
Sec. 26	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-571a
Sec. 27	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-572
Sec. 28	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-573
Sec. 29	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-573a
Sec. 30	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-574
Sec. 31	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-574a
Sec. 32	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-574c
Sec. 33	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-574d
Sec. 34	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-575
Sec. 35	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-575c
Sec. 36	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-576
Sec. 37	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-577
Sec. 38	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-578
Sec. 39	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-578a
Sec. 40	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-578b
Sec. 41	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-578c
Sec. 42	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-578d
Sec. 43	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	12-578e

Sec. 44	January 1, 2021	12-578f
Sec. 45	January 1, 2021	12-578aa
Sec. 46	January 1, 2021	12-579
Sec. 47	January 1, 2021	12-584
Sec. 48	January 1, 2021	12-585
Sec. 49	January 1, 2021	12-586f
Sec. 50	January 1, 2021	12-586g
Sec. 51	January 1, 2021	12-802
Sec. 52	January 1, 2021	12-802a
Sec. 53	January 1, 2021	12-804
Sec. 54	January 1, 2021	12-805
Sec. 55	January 1, 2021	12-806
Sec. 56	January 1, 2021	12-806a
Sec. 57	January 1, 2021	12-806b
Sec. 58	January 1, 2021	12-807
Sec. 59	January 1, 2021	12-808
Sec. 60	January 1, 2021	12-809
Sec. 61	January 1, 2021	12-811
Sec. 62	January 1, 2021	12-812
Sec. 63	January 1, 2021	12-813(a)
Sec. 64	January 1, 2021	12-815(a)
Sec. 65	January 1, 2021	12-815a
Sec. 66	January 1, 2021	17a-713(b)
Sec. 67	January 1, 2021	21a-1
Sec. 68	January 1, 2021	22-410
Sec. 69	January 1, 2021	22-412
Sec. 70	January 1, 2021	29-7c
Sec. 71	January 1, 2021	29-18c
Sec. 72	January 1, 2021	30-20(a)
Sec. 73	January 1, 2021	30-22a(e)
Sec. 74	January 1, 2021	30-39(b)(1)
Sec. 75	January 1, 2021	30-59a
Sec. 76	January 1, 2021	31-51y(c)
Sec. 77	January 1, 2021	53-278g
Sec. 78	January 1, 2021	Repealer section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To establish a Commission on Gaming and transfer oversight of gambling in this state from the Department of Consumer Protection to the commission.

*[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.]*