

General Assembly

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AN ACT CONCERNING GAMING AGREEMENTS WITH THE MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT TRIBE AND THE MOHEGAN TRIBE OF INDIANS OF CONNECTICUT.

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

- Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) For the purposes of this section and sections 2 to 10, inclusive, of this act:
- 3 (1) "Electronic wagering platform" means the combination of
- 4 hardware, software and data networks used to manage, administer, 5 offer or control sports wagering or commercial casino gaming over the
- 6 Internet, including through an Internet web site or a mobile device;
- 7 (2) "E-sports" means electronic sports and competitive video games
- 8 played as a game of skill;
- 9 (3) "Fantasy contest" has the same meaning as provided in section 12-
- 10 578aa of the general statutes;
- 11 (4) "Gross gaming revenue from keno" means the total of all sums
- 12 actually received by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation from
- 13 operating keno both through lottery sales agents and through the
- 14 corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application less
- 15 the total of all sums paid as winnings to patrons and any federal excise

tax applicable to such sums received, provided (A) the total of all sums paid as winnings to such patrons shall not include the cash equivalent value of any merchandise or thing of value included in a jackpot or payout, and (B) coupons or credits that are issued to patrons as part of a promotional program and actually played by the patrons shall not be included in the calculation of gross gaming revenue, provided if the aggregate amount of such coupons and credits played during a calendar month (i) exceeds twenty-five per cent of the total amount of gross gaming revenue for that month, for any month during the first year of the operation of keno pursuant to section 4 of this act, (ii) exceeds twenty per cent of the total amount of gross gaming revenue for that month, for any month during the second year of the operation of keno pursuant to section 4 of this act, or (iii) exceeds fifteen per cent of the total amount of gross gaming revenue for that month, for any month during the third or succeeding year of the operation of keno pursuant to section 4 of this act, then twenty-five per cent of the applicable excess face amount of coupons or credits used in such calendar month shall be included in the calculation of gross gaming revenue;

(5) "Gross gaming revenue from online casino gaming" means the total of all sums actually received by an operator of online casino gaming less the total of all sums paid as winnings to patrons of the operator of online casino gaming and any federal excise tax applicable to such sums received, provided (A) the total of all sums paid as winnings to such patrons shall not include the cash equivalent value of any merchandise or thing of value included in a jackpot or payout, and (B) coupons or credits that are issued to patrons as part of a promotional program and actually played by the patrons shall not be included in the calculation of gross gaming revenue, provided if the aggregate amount of such coupons and credits played during a calendar month (i) exceeds twenty-five per cent of the total amount of gross gaming revenue for that month, for any month during the first year of the operation of online casino gaming, (ii) exceeds twenty per cent of the total amount of gross gaming revenue for that month, for any month during the second year of the operation of online casino gaming, or (iii) exceeds fifteen per cent

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- (6) "Gross gaming revenue from sports wagering" means the total of all sums actually received by an operator of sports wagering less the total of all sums paid as winnings to patrons of the operator of sports wagering and any federal excise tax applicable to such sums received, provided (A) the total of all sums paid as winnings to such patrons shall not include the cash equivalent value of any merchandise or thing of value included in a jackpot or payout, and (B) coupons or credits that are issued to patrons as part of a promotional program and actually played by the patrons shall not be included in the calculation of gross gaming revenue, provided if the aggregate amount of such coupons and credits played during a calendar month (i) exceeds twenty-five per cent of the total amount of gross gaming revenue for that month, for any month during the first year of the operation of sports wagering, (ii) exceeds twenty per cent of the total amount of gross gaming revenue for that month, for any month during the second year of the operation of sports wagering, or (iii) exceeds fifteen per cent of the total amount of gross gaming revenue for that month, for any month during the third or succeeding year of the operation of sports wagering, then twenty-five per cent of the applicable excess face amount of coupons or credits used in such calendar month shall be included in the calculation of gross gaming revenue;
- (7) "Indian lands" has the same meaning as provided in the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 USC 2703;
- 78 (8) "Keno" has the same meaning as provided in section 12-801 of the 79 general statutes, as amended by this act;
- 80 (9) "Lottery draw game" means any game in which one or more 81 numbers, letters or symbols are randomly drawn at predetermined

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- (10) "Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding" means the memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe on January 13, 1993, as amended from time to time;
- 90 (11) "Mashantucket Pequot procedures" means the Final 90 Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the Secretary 91 of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to 25 USC 92 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) and published in 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31, 93 1991), as amended from time to time;
- 94 (12) "Mohegan compact" means the Tribal-State Compact entered 95 into by and between the state and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of 96 Connecticut on May 17, 1994, as amended from time to time;
- 97 (13) "Mohegan memorandum of understanding" means the 98 memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state 99 and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on May 17, 1994, as 100 amended from time to time;
 - (14) "Online casino gaming" means (A) slots, blackjack, craps, roulette, baccarat, poker and video poker, bingo, live dealer and other peer-to-peer games, and any variations of them, and (B) any games authorized by the Department of Consumer Protection, conducted over the Internet, including through an Internet web site or a mobile device, through an electronic wagering platform that does not require a bettor to be physically present at a facility;
 - (15) "Online sports wagering" means sports wagering conducted over the Internet, including through an Internet web site or a mobile device, through an electronic wagering platform that does not require a sports bettor to be physically present at a facility that conducts retail sports wagering;

- 113 (16) "Retail sports wagering" means sports wagering using any 114 system or method of wagering requiring a sports bettor to be physically present at a facility in this state;
- 116 (17) "Skin" means the branded or cobranded name and logo on the 117 interface of an Internet web site or a mobile application that bettors use 118 to access an electronic wagering platform for online casino gaming or 119 online sports wagering;
 - (18) "Sporting event" means any (A) sporting or athletic event at which two or more persons participate and receive compensation in excess of actual expenses for such participation in such sporting or athletic event, (B) sporting or athletic event sponsored by an intercollegiate athletic program of an institution of higher education, or (C) e-sports. "Sporting event" does not include horse racing or a sporting or athletic event sponsored by a minor league; and
 - (19) "Sports wagering" means risking or accepting any money, credit, deposit or other thing of value for gain contingent in whole or in part, (A) by any system or method of wagering, including, but not limited to, in person or over the Internet through an Internet web site or a mobile device, and (B) based on (i) a sporting event or a portion or portions of a sporting event, including future or propositional events during such an event, or (ii) the individual performance statistics of an athlete or athletes in a sporting event or a combination of sporting events. "Sports wagering" does not include the payment of an entry fee to play a fantasy contest or an entry fee to participate in e-sports.
 - Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2021) (a) The Governor may enter into amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or new compacts with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or both, to:

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- (1) Permit the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut to conduct (A) retail sports wagering on Indian lands, (B) online sports wagering, provided an individual may only place a sports wager through such online sports wagering if the individual is physically present on Indian lands when placing the wager, and (C) fantasy contests on Indian lands;
 - (2) Provide that any new compact or amendment to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and the Mohegan compact shall not terminate the moratorium against the operation of video facsimile games by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on each tribe's reservation, and include provisions in any new compact or amendment to each tribe's memorandum of understanding that the new compact or amendment does not relieve each tribe from each tribe's obligation to contribute a percentage of the gross operating revenues of video facsimile games to the state as provided in each tribe's memorandum of understanding, if state law at any time authorizes:
 - (A) The Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut to each operate outside of Indian lands (i) one skin for online sports wagering; (ii) one skin for online casino gaming; and (iii) fantasy contests;
 - (B) The Connecticut Lottery Corporation to operate (i) retail sports wagering at up to fifteen facilities throughout the state, any number of which may be located at facilities specified in section 12-571a of the general statutes and operated by the person or business organization licensed to operate the off-track betting system pursuant to chapter 226 of the general statutes, provided no facility shall be located within twenty-five miles of Indian lands; (ii) one skin for online sports wagering outside of Indian lands, provided such skin is not operated or co-branded with a tribal or commercial casino owner or operator, and does not promote or market retail commercial casino gaming of any kind; (iii) a program to sell lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile

- application, provided lottery drawings occur regularly and not more frequently than once every four minutes; and (iv) keno both through lottery sales agents and through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, provided drawings occur not more frequently than once every three minutes and the state makes payments to the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut each in the amount of twelve and one-half per cent of the gross gaming revenue from keno; and
 - (C) A person or entity to be licensed to operate fantasy contests outside of Indian lands.
 - (3) Provide that any amendment or new compact entered into pursuant to this section, except a provision of such an amendment or new compact entered into pursuant to subparagraph (B)(iii) of subdivision (2) of this subsection or related to keno through lottery sales agents and entered into pursuant to subparagraph (B)(iv) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, shall be valid for an initial term of ten years and an optional five-year renewal term, provided any such renewal term shall only be effective if mutually consented to and exercised by the Governor and both the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut;
 - (4) Provide that the authority of either the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut to conduct online sports wagering, online casino gaming and fantasy contests outside of Indian lands shall cease if the tribe operates E-bingo machines for purposes of class II gaming under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 USC 2701, et seq., at a casino on Indian lands in this state at any time during the ten-year initial term of the amendments or new compacts, as described in subdivision (3) of this subsection, provided such cessation of authority for either tribe shall not affect the authorization of the other tribe or the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to conduct activities authorized pursuant to this subsection; and
 - (5) Provide that the amendments or new compacts entered into

- 210 pursuant to this section, except a provision of such an amendment or new compact entered into pursuant to subparagraph (B)(iii) of subdivision (2) of this subsection or related to keno through lottery sales 213 agents and entered into pursuant to subparagraph (B)(iv) of subdivision 214 (2) of this subsection, shall cease to be effective if:
 - (A) Any provision of an amendment or new compact entered into pursuant to this section, other than a provision of such an amendment or new compact entered into pursuant to subparagraph (B)(iii) of subdivision (2) of this subsection or related to keno through lottery sales agents and entered into pursuant to subparagraph (B)(iv) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final judgment which is not appealable;
 - (B) Any provision of sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act, except for those provisions regarding keno through lottery sales agents and the sale of lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final judgment which is not appealable; or
 - (C) Any amendment made to the provisions of the general statutes pursuant to this act, except for those regarding keno through lottery sales agents and the sale of lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final judgment which is not appealable.
 - (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3-6c of the general statutes, each amendment or new compact, or renewal thereof, entered into by the Governor with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be considered approved by the General Assembly under section 3-6c of the general statutes upon the Governor entering into such an agreement or new compact, or renewal thereof, without any further action required by the General Assembly.

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- (c) Any amendments or new compacts entered into pursuant to this section shall be effective and final upon approval by the Secretary of the United States Department of Interior in accordance with federal law. If such approval is overturned by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final judgment, which is not appealable, the provisions of sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act, and the amendments made to provisions of the general statutes pursuant to this act, shall cease to be effective.
- Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection may issue licenses permitting the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe to operate one skin for online sports wagering within the state and one skin for online casino gaming within the state, provided:
- (1) Amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding or a new compact with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, pursuant to section 2 of this act, are effective;
- (2) Regulations adopted by the commissioner pursuant to section 7 ofthis act are effective; and
- 259 (3) Online sports wagering and online casino gaming is operated pursuant to the provisions of sections 6 to 10, inclusive, of this act.
- 261 (b) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection may issue licenses 262 permitting the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut to operate one 263 skin for online sports wagering within the state and one skin for online 264 casino gaming within the state, provided:
- 265 (1) Amendments to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan 266 memorandum of understanding, or a new compact with the Mohegan 267 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, pursuant to section 2 of this act, are 268 effective;
- 269 (2) Regulations adopted by the commissioner pursuant to section 7 of 270 this act are effective; and

- (3) Online sports wagering and online casino gaming are operated pursuant to the provisions of sections 6 to 10, inclusive, of this act.
 - (c) Any license issued pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this section shall expire (1) upon the expiration of any new compact or amendment, or renewal thereof, entered into pursuant to section 2 of this act, or (2) if the tribe holding such license operates E-bingo machines for purposes of class II gaming under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 USC 2701, et seq., at a casino on Indian lands in this state at any time during the ten-year initial term of any amendment or new compact, as described in subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 2 of this act.
 - (d) The Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut may enter into an agreement with a person or entity for the provision of services for a skin authorized pursuant to this section.
 - Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2021) (a) If amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or new compacts with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or both, pursuant to section 2 of this act, are effective, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation may operate:
 - (1) Retail sports wagering pursuant to sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act, at not more than fifteen facilities located throughout the state, provided (A) no such facility shall be located within twenty-five miles of Indian lands, (B) the corporation may develop new facilities in the cities of Bridgeport and Hartford, and (C) any number of such fifteen facilities may be located at facilities authorized pursuant to section 12-571a of the general statutes and operated by the person or business organization licensed to operate the off-track betting system pursuant to chapter 226 of the general statutes, under an operating agreement with such person or business organization;

- 303 (2) One skin for online sports wagering pursuant to sections 6 to 8, 304 inclusive, of this act;
- 305 (3) Keno through lottery sales agents of such corporation and through 306 the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, 307 provided:
- 308 (A) Any electronic platform or combination of hardware, software 309 and data networks used to manage, administer, offer or control keno 310 over the Internet, including through an Internet web site or a mobile 311 device, shall, at a minimum, be developed to: (i) Verify that an 312 individual with a keno account is eighteen years of age or older and is 313 located in the state, (ii) provide a mechanism to prevent the 314 unauthorized use of a keno account, and (iii) maintain the security of 315 data and other confidential information;
- 316 (B) Drawings may occur not more frequently than once every three 317 minutes; and
- 318 (C) The state shall make payments to the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe 319 and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut each in the amount of 320 twelve and one-half per cent of the gross gaming revenue from keno; 321 and
 - (4) A program to sell lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, provided:
- 325 (A) Lottery draw games for which tickets are sold through the 326 program occur regularly and not more frequently than once every four 327 minutes;
 - (B) The corporation submits to the Commissioner of Consumer Protection official game rules for each lottery draw game the corporation seeks to offer through the program, and the corporation may not offer a lottery draw game through the program until the commissioner approves, in writing, the official rules for such game;

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333	(C) The corporation verifies that a person who establishes an online
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336	(D) Any transaction to sell lottery tickets shall be initiated and
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338	(E) The program (i) allows a person to establish an online lottery
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340	purchase lottery tickets through such account, (ii) limits a person with
341	an online lottery account to the use of only one debit card or credit card,
342	and (iii) provides that any money in an online lottery account belongs
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344	(F) The corporation establishes a voluntary self-exclusion process to
345	allow a person to exclude himself or herself from establishing an online
346	lottery account or purchasing a lottery ticket through such program;
347	(G) At least every five years, the program is subject to an independent
348	review for responsible play as assessed by industry standards;
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351	(I) The corporation limits the amount of money a person may (i)
352	deposit into an online lottery account, and (ii) spend per day through
353	such program; and
354	(J) The results of lottery draw game drawings are displayed on the
355	corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application,
356	provided the lottery draw game drawings may not take place on the
357	corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application.
358	(b) The Connecticut Lottery Corporation shall not conduct any of the
359	activities authorized by subsection (a) of this section until regulations
360	concerning such activity are adopted and effective pursuant to section 7

of this act.

- (c) After establishing a program to sell lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the corporation: (1) May implement initiatives to promote the purchase of lottery tickets through lottery sales agents; (2) may implement initiatives to promote the purchase of both online lottery draw games and the purchase of lottery tickets through lottery sales agents; and (3) shall conduct a public awareness campaign to educate the public regarding responsible gambling and to inform the public of the programs available for the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of compulsive gamblers in the state.
- (d) The authority of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to conduct retail sports wagering pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section and online sports wagering pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall expire upon the expiration of any new compact or amendment, or renewal thereof, entered into pursuant to section 2 of this act.
- Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) If the Connecticut Lottery Corporation is authorized to conduct retail sports wagering pursuant to section 4 of this act, said corporation may enter into one or more agreements with a person or business organization licensed to operate the off-track betting system pursuant to chapter 226 of the general statutes to operate retail sports wagering at any of the system facilities authorized for off-track betting under section 12-571a of the general statutes, provided the total number of facilities that may conduct retail sports wagering, whether operated directly by the corporation or by such person or business organization, shall not exceed fifteen.
- (b) If a person or business organization licensed to operate the offtrack betting system pursuant to chapter 226 of the general statutes operates retail sports wagering under an agreement under subsection (a) of this section, such retail sports wagering shall be conducted pursuant to sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act.

- 394 (c) Any agreement to conduct retail sports wagering pursuant to 395 subsection (a) of this section shall expire upon the expiration of any new 396 compact or amendment, or renewal thereof, entered into pursuant to 397 section 2 of this act.
- 398 Sec. 6. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2021) (a) An individual may only place 399 a sports wager on a sporting event through retail sports wagering or 400 online sports wagering conducted outside of Indian lands or place a 401 wager through online casino gaming conducted outside of Indian lands, 402 if the wagering is authorized pursuant to sections 3 to 5, inclusive, of 403 this act, and the individual (1) has attained the age of twenty-one, and 404 (2) is physically present in the state when placing the wager.
- 405 (b) Any electronic wagering platform used for conducting online 406 sports wagering or online casino gaming shall be developed to: (1) 407 Verify that an individual with a wagering account is twenty-one years 408 of age or older and is physically present in the state when placing a 409 wager, (2) provide a mechanism to prevent the unauthorized use of a 410 wagering account, and (3) maintain the security of wagering data and other confidential information.
 - Sec. 7. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2021) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, and to the extent not prohibited by federal law or any gaming agreement or procedure entered into pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq., to implement the provisions of sections 3 to 6, inclusive, of this act. Such regulations shall address the operation of, participation in and advertisement of, sports wagering, online casino gaming, keno and sales of lottery tickets for lottery draw games through an Internet web site, online service or mobile application, designation of additional games that may be permitted as online casino gaming and any other provisions to protect the public interest in the integrity of gaming.
- 424 Sec. 8. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2021) (a) The Mashantucket Pequot 425 Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut shall each pay

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to the state for deposit in the General Fund: (1) Thirteen and threequarters per cent of the gross gaming revenue from sports wagering, for online sports wagering authorized under section 3 of this act and conducted outside of Indian lands; and (2) (A) eighteen per cent of the gross gaming revenue from online casino gaming, for online casino gaming authorized under section 3 of this act and conducted outside of Indian lands, and occurring during the first five years of operation of such gaming, or (B) twenty per cent of the gross gaming revenue from online casino gaming, for online casino gaming authorized under section 3 of this act conducted outside of Indian lands, and occurring during the sixth and any succeeding year of operation of such gaming. Each tribe shall make such payment not later than thirty days after the date that operation of online sports wagering and online casino gaming commences under section 3 of this act, and on a monthly basis thereafter while such online sports wagering or online casino gaming is conducted.

- (b) The Connecticut Lottery Corporation shall pay to the state for deposit in the General Fund, thirteen and three-quarters per cent of the gross gaming revenue from sports wagering, as a result of conducting retail sports wagering and online sports wagering authorized under section 4 of this act. The corporation shall make such payment not later than thirty days after the date that operation of retail sports wagering and online sports wagering commences under section 4 of this act, and on a monthly basis thereafter while such retail sports wagering or online sports wagering is conducted.
- (c) A person or business organization licensed to operate the off-track betting system pursuant to chapter 226 of the general statutes operating retail sports wagering at any of the system facilities authorized for off-track betting under section 12-571a of the general statutes pursuant to an agreement with the Connecticut Lottery Corporation, shall pay to the state for deposit in the General Fund, thirteen and three-quarters per cent of the gross gaming revenue from sports wagering, from the retail sports wagering authorized under section 5 of this act. Such person or

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business organization shall make such payment not later than thirty days after the date that operation of retail sports wagering commences under section 5 of this act, and on a monthly basis thereafter while such retail sports wagering is conducted.

- Sec. 9. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2021) (a) (1) At the commencement of any fiscal year that online sports wagering or online casino gaming is conducted pursuant to section 3 of this act outside of Indian lands and on or before September thirtieth in each fiscal year thereafter, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall estimate and assess, after consultation with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, the reasonable and necessary costs that will be incurred by the department in the next fiscal year to regulate the operation of such wagering or gaming under sections 3, 6 and 7 of this act by each tribe.
- (2) At the commencement of any fiscal year that a person or business organization licensed to operate the off-track betting system pursuant to chapter 226 of the general statutes operates retail sports wagering pursuant to section 5 of this act and on or before September thirtieth in each fiscal year thereafter, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall estimate and assess, after consultation with such person or business organization, the reasonable and necessary costs that will be incurred by the department in the next fiscal year to regulate the operation of such wagering under sections 5 to 7, inclusive, of this act by such person or organization.
- (3) The estimated costs under subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection shall not exceed the estimate of expenditure requirements transmitted by the commissioner pursuant to section 4-77 of the general statutes. The assessment for any fiscal year shall be: (A) Reduced pro rata by the amount of any surplus from the assessment of the prior fiscal year, which shall be maintained in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, or (B) increased pro rata by the amount of any deficit from the assessment of the prior fiscal year.

- (b) The Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut and a person or business organization licensed to operate the off-track betting system pursuant to chapter 226 of the general statutes shall each pay to the commissioner the amount assessed to such tribe or person or organization pursuant to subsection (a) of this section not later than the date specified by the commissioner for payment, provided such date is not less than thirty days from the date of such assessment. The commissioner shall remit to the State Treasurer all funds received pursuant to this section.
- (c) (1) There is established a fund to be known as the "State Sports Wagering and Online Gaming Regulatory Fund". The fund shall contain any moneys required or permitted to be deposited in the fund and shall be held by the Treasurer separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts. Any balance remaining in said fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in said fund for the fiscal year next succeeding. Moneys in the fund shall be expended by the Treasurer for the purposes of paying the costs incurred by the department to regulate sports wagering and online casino gaming.
- (2) The Treasurer shall deposit all funds received pursuant to subsection (b) of this section in the State Sports Wagering and Online Gaming Regulatory Fund.
- (d) On or before September thirtieth, annually, the Comptroller shall calculate the actual reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the department to regulate retail sports wagering, online sports wagering or online casino gaming during the prior fiscal year. The Treasurer shall set aside amounts received pursuant to subsection (b) of this section in excess of such actual costs. Such excess amounts shall be considered a surplus for the purposes of subsection (a) of this section.
- (e) If the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut or the person or business organization licensed to operate the off-track betting system pursuant to chapter 226 of the general statutes is aggrieved by an assessment under the provisions of

- this section, the tribe or person or business organization may request a hearing before the commissioner not later than thirty days after such assessment. The commissioner shall hold such hearing, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, not later than thirty days after receiving such request.
 - Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) Any payment to the state made by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe under section 8 of this act during the five-year period commencing on the date that said tribe began operating online sports wagering and online casino gaming pursuant to section 3 of this act shall count toward the calculation of the "minimum contribution" for such tribe pursuant to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding.
 - (b) Any payment to the state made by the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut under section 8 of this act during the five-year period commencing on the date that said tribe began operating online sports wagering and online casino gaming pursuant to section 3 of this act shall count toward the calculation of the "minimum contribution" for such tribe pursuant to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding.
- Sec. 11. Section 12-586f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 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), as amended from time to time.
 - (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

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- 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.
 - (c) Assessments for law enforcement 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 Emergency Services and Public Protection 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.
 - (d) If the tribe is aggrieved due to any assessment levied pursuant to such compact and this section or by any failure to adjust an excess assessment in accordance with the provisions of the compact and this section, it may, not later than thirty days after the time provided for the payment of such assessment, appeal therefrom in accordance with the terms of the compact, to the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, which appeal shall be accompanied by a citation to the Commissioner of Consumer Protection to appear before said court. Such citation shall be signed by the same authority, and such appeal shall be returnable at the same time and served and returned in the same manner as is required in case of a summons in a civil action. Proceedings in such matter shall be conducted in the same manner as provided for in section 38a-52.
 - (e) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall require each applicant for a casino gaming employee license, casino gaming service

- 587 license or casino gaming equipment license to submit to state and
- 588 national criminal history records checks before such license is issued.
- The criminal history records checks required pursuant to this subsection
- shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a.
- Sec. 12. Section 12-586g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
- 593 (a) For the purposes of this section, "tribe" means the Mohegan Tribe 594 of Indians of Connecticut and "compact" means the Tribal-State 595 Compact between the tribe and the state of Connecticut, dated May 17,
- 596 1994, as amended from time to time.
- 597 (b) The expenses of administering the provisions of the compact shall 598 be financed as provided in this section. Assessments for regulatory costs 599 incurred by any state agency which are subject to reimbursement by the 600 tribe in accordance with the provisions of the compact shall be made by 601 the Commissioner of Revenue Services in accordance with the 602 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment 603 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may 604 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such. 605 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the 606 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to 607 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.
- 608 (c) Assessments for law enforcement costs incurred by any state 609 agency which are subject to reimbursement by the tribe in accordance 610 with the provisions of the compact shall be made by the Commissioner 611 of Emergency Services and Public Protection in accordance with the 612 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment 613 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may 614 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such. 615 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the 616 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to 617 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

- (d) If the tribe is aggrieved due to any assessment levied pursuant to such compact and this section or by any failure to adjust an excess assessment in accordance with the provisions of the compact and this section, it may, not later than thirty days after the time provided for the payment of such assessment, appeal therefrom in accordance with the terms of the compact, to the superior court for the judicial district of New Britain, which appeal shall be accompanied by a citation to the Commissioner of Consumer Protection to appear before said court. Such citation shall be signed by the same authority, and such appeal shall be returnable at the same time and served and returned in the same manner as is required in case of a summons in a civil action. Proceedings in such matter shall be conducted in the same manner as provided for in section 38a-52.
- (e) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall require each applicant for a casino gaming employee license, casino gaming service license or casino gaming equipment license to submit to state and national criminal history records checks before such license is issued. The criminal history records checks required pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a.
 - Sec. 13. Section 12-578aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
- (a) For the purposes of this section:
- (1) "Entry fee" means the amount of cash or cash equivalent that is required to be paid by a fantasy contest player to a fantasy contest operator to participate in a fantasy contest;
 - (2) "Fantasy contest" means any online fantasy or simulated game or contest with an entry fee in which: (A) The value of all prizes and awards offered to winning fantasy contest players is established and made known to the players in advance of the game or contest; (B) all winning outcomes reflect the knowledge and skill of the players and are determined predominantly by accumulated statistical results of the

- 649 performance of individuals, including athletes in the case of sporting
- events; and (C) no winning outcome is based on the score, point spread
- or any performance of any single actual team or combination of teams
- or solely on any single performance of an individual athlete or player in
- 653 any single actual sporting event. Fantasy contests [shall] do not include
- 654 lottery games;
- (3) "Fantasy contest operator" means a person or entity that [operates]
- 656 <u>is licensed to operate</u> a fantasy contest and offers such fantasy contest to
- 657 members of the general public in the state;
- 658 (4) "Fantasy contest player" means a person who participates in a
- 659 fantasy contest offered by a fantasy contest operator;
- (5) "Gross receipts" means the amount equal to the total of all entry
- 661 fees that a fantasy contest operator collects from all fantasy contest
- players, less the total of all sums paid out as prizes to all fantasy contest
- players, multiplied by the location percentage; and
- (6) "Location percentage" means the percentage rounded to the
- nearest tenth of a per cent of the total of entry fees collected from fantasy
- contest players located in the state, divided by the total of entry fees
- 667 collected from all fantasy contest players. [;]
- [(7) "Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding" means
- the memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the
- 670 state and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe on January 13, 1993, as
- 671 amended on April 30, 1993;
- 672 (8) "Mashantucket Pequot procedures" means the Final
- 673 Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the Secretary
- of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to Section
- 675 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) of Title 25 of the United States Code and published in
- 676 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31, 1991);
- (9) "Mohegan compact" means the Tribal-State Compact entered into
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- 680 (10) "Mohegan memorandum of understanding" means the 681 memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state 682 and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on May 17, 1994.
 - (b) The provisions of this section shall not be effective unless the following conditions have been met:
 - (1) The Governor enters into amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut concerning the authorization of fantasy contests in the state.
- (2) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and the Mohegan compact shall include a provision that the authorization of fantasy contests in the state does not terminate the moratorium against the operation of video facsimile games by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on each tribe's reservation.
 - (3) The amendments to each tribe's memorandum of understanding shall include a provision that the authorization of fantasy contests in the state does not relieve each tribe from each tribe's obligation to contribute a percentage of the gross operating revenues of video facsimile games to the state as provided in each tribe's memorandum of understanding.
 - (4) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures, the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding, the Mohegan compact and the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are approved or deemed approved by the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq., and its implementing regulations. If such approval is overturned by a court in a final judgment, which is not appealable, the authorization provided under

- 710 this section shall cease to be effective.
- 711 (5) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to
- 712 the Mohegan compact are approved by the General Assembly pursuant
- 713 to section 3-6c.
- 714 (6) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of
- 715 understanding and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are
- approved by the General Assembly pursuant to the process described
- 717 in section 3-6c.]
- 718 (b) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection may issue licenses
- 719 permitting the operation of fantasy contests outside of Indian lands,
- 720 provided:
- 721 (1) Amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the
- 722 <u>Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding</u> with the
- 723 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan compact
- 724 and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the Mohegan
- 725 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or new compacts with the
- 726 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut
- or both, or renewals thereof, pursuant to section 2 of this act, are
- 728 effective; and
- 729 (2) Fantasy contests are conducted pursuant to the provisions of this
- 730 section.
- 731 (c) (1) If the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or Mohegan Tribe of Indians
- of Connecticut holds a license pursuant to subsection (b) of this section,
- such tribe's license shall expire if the tribe operates E-bingo machines
- for purposes of class II gaming under the Indian Gaming Regulatory
- Act, 25 USC 2701, et seq., at a casino on Indian lands in this state at any
- 736 time during the ten-year initial term of any new amendment or new
- 737 compact, as described in subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 2 of
- 738 this act.
- 739 (2) All licenses issued pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall

expire upon the expiration of any new compact or amendment, or renewal thereof, entered into pursuant to section 2 of this act.

[(c)] (d) Not later than [July 1, 2018] January 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, regarding the licensing, operation of, participation in and advertisement of fantasy [contest] contests in the state. Such regulations shall protect fantasy contest players who pay an entry fee to play fantasy contests from unfair or deceptive acts or practices. Such regulations shall include, but need not be limited to: (1) A prohibition on fantasy contest operators allowing persons under the age of eighteen to participate in a fantasy contest offered by such operators; (2) protections for fantasy contest players' funds on deposit with fantasy contest operators; (3) requirements regarding truthful advertising by fantasy contest operators; (4) procedures to ensure the integrity of fantasy contests offered by fantasy contest operators; (5) procedures to ensure that fantasy contest operators provide fantasy contest players with: (A) Information regarding responsible playing and places to seek assistance for addictive or compulsive behavior, and (B) protections against compulsive behavior; and (6) reporting requirements and procedures to demonstrate eligibility for a reduction of the initial [registration] <u>licensing</u> fee and annual [registration] <u>licensing</u> renewal fee pursuant to subsection [(d)] (e) of this section.

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

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- (2) To demonstrate the eligibility of a fantasy contest operator for a reduction of the initial [registration fee] or annual [registration] renewal fee pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, the fantasy contest operator shall provide to the commissioner, in a manner prescribed by the commissioner, an estimation of the gross receipts such operator expects to receive in the upcoming [registration] licensing period. Prior to renewing a [registration] license where such operator paid a reduced [registration] licensing fee for the previous [registration] licensing period, or after a [registration] licensing period where such operator should have paid a reduced fee for the previous [registration] licensing period, such operator shall submit to the commissioner, in a manner prescribed by the commissioner, the actual amount of gross receipts received by such operator [in] during the previous [registration] licensing period. The commissioner shall calculate the difference, if any, between the estimated gross receipts and the actual gross receipts and determine if the [registration] licensing fee previously paid by such operator was the correct amount. If such operator paid an amount in excess of the amount determined to be the correct amount of the [registration] licensing fee, the commissioner shall refund such operator accordingly or credit such amount against the [registration] licensing fee for the upcoming [registration] <u>licensing</u> period, provided such operator renews his or her [registration] license. If such operator did not pay the amount determined to be the correct amount of the [registration] licensing fee, such operator shall pay to the commissioner the difference between the correct amount and the [registration] licensing fee previously paid.
- [(e)] (f) Any person who violates any provision of this section or any regulation adopted pursuant to subsection [(c)] (d) of this section shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars for each violation.
- Sec. 14. Section 12-578f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

- 805 (a) For the purposes of this section and section 12-578g:
- (1) "Authorized games" means any game of chance, including, but not
- 807 limited to, blackjack, poker, dice, money-wheels, roulette, baccarat,
- 808 chuck-a-luck, pan game, over and under, horse race game, acey-deucy,
- beat the dealer, bouncing ball, video facsimile game and any other game
- 810 of chance authorized by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection;
- 811 (2) "Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding" means
- 812 the memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the
- 813 state and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe on January 13, 1993, as
- 814 amended on April 30, 1993;
- 815 (3) "Mashantucket Pequot procedures" means the Final
- 816 Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the Secretary
- 817 of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to Section
- 818 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) of Title 25 of the United States Code and published in
- 819 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31, 1991);
- 820 (4) "MMCT Venture, LLC" means a limited liability company
- 821 described in subsection (d) of this section;
- 822 (5) "Mohegan compact" means the Tribal-State Compact entered into
- 823 by and between the state and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of
- 824 Connecticut on May 17, 1994; and
- 825 (6) "Mohegan memorandum of understanding" means the
- 826 memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state
- and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on May 17, 1994.
- 828 (b) MMCT Venture, LLC, is authorized to conduct authorized games
- 829 at a casino gaming facility at 171 Bridge Street, East Windsor,
- 830 Connecticut.
- 831 (c) Such authorization shall not be effective unless the following
- 832 conditions have been met:

- (1) (A) The Governor enters into amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut concerning the operation of a casino gaming facility in the state.
- (B) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and the Mohegan compact shall include a provision that the authorization of MMCT Venture, LLC, to conduct authorized games in the state does not terminate the moratorium against the operation of video facsimile games by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on each tribe's reservation.
 - (C) The amendments to each tribe's memorandum of understanding shall include a provision that the authorization of MMCT Venture, LLC, to conduct authorized games in the state does not relieve each tribe from each tribe's obligation to contribute a percentage of the gross operating revenues of video facsimile games to the state as provided in each tribe's memorandum of understanding.
 - (2) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures, the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding, the Mohegan compact and the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are approved or deemed approved by the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq., and its implementing regulations. If such approval is overturned by a court in a final judgment, which is not appealable, the authorization provided under this section shall cease to be effective.
 - (3) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the Mohegan compact are approved by the General Assembly pursuant to section 3-6c.
 - (4) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of

understanding and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are approved by the General Assembly pursuant to the process described in section 3-6c.

- (5) The governing bodies of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut enact resolutions providing: (A) That if MMCT Venture, LLC, fails to pay any fees or taxes due the state, the tribes, as the members of MMCT Venture, LLC, waive the possible defense of sovereign immunity with respect to any action or claim by the state against the tribes as the members of MMCT Venture, LLC, to the extent such action or claim is permitted to be brought against a member of a limited liability company under state law to collect any fees or taxes, while preserving any other defenses available to the tribes, and (B) that the venue for such action or claim shall be in the judicial district of Hartford.
- (d) Such authorization shall apply to MMCT Venture, LLC, provided:

 (1) MMCT Venture, LLC, is a limited liability company jointly and exclusively owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut; (2) no other person or business organization holds an equity interest in MMCT Venture, LLC; and (3) each tribe holds at least a twenty-five per cent equity interest in MMCT Venture, LLC. If MMCT Venture, LLC, ceases to be a limited liability company jointly and exclusively owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut in which each tribe holds at least a twenty-five per cent equity interest, such authorization shall be void.
 - (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the authorization to conduct authorized games at a casino gaming facility pursuant to said subsections shall not be effective during the ten-year initial term that amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or

- 897 <u>new compacts with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or the Mohegan</u>
- 898 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or both entered into pursuant to section
- 899 <u>2 of this act are effective, as described in subdivision (3) of subsection</u>
- 900 (b) of section 2 of this act.
- 901 Sec. 15. Section 12-806c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
- 903 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3-6c, the Secretary of 904 the Office of Policy and Management, on behalf of the state of 905 Connecticut, may enter into separate agreements with the 906 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of 907 Connecticut concerning the operation of keno by the Connecticut 908 Lottery Corporation in the state of Connecticut. Any such agreement 909 shall provide that the state of Connecticut shall distribute to each tribe 910 a sum not to exceed a twelve and one-half per cent share of the gross 911 operating revenue received by the state from the operation of keno. The 912 corporation may not operate keno until such separate agreements are 913 effective. For the purposes of this section, "gross operating revenues" 914 means the total amounts wagered, less amounts paid out as prizes.
- 915 (b) The provisions of this section shall cease to be effective once amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the 916 917 Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding with the 918 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan compact 919 and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the Mohegan 920 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or new compacts with the 921 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, 922 or both, governing the operation of keno by the Connecticut Lottery 923 Corporation, pursuant to section 2 of this act, are effective.
- 924 Sec. 16. Section 12-801 of the general statutes is repealed and the 925 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
- As used in section 12-563a, as amended by this act, and sections 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, the following terms [shall] have the following

928	meanings unless the context clearly indicates another meaning:
929 930	(1) "Board" or "board of directors" means the board of directors of the corporation;
931 932	(2) "Corporation" means the Connecticut Lottery Corporation as created under section 12-802;
933 934	(3) "Division" means the former Division of Special Revenue in the Department of Revenue Services;
935 936 937 938 939 940 941 942	(4) "Lottery" means (A) the Connecticut state lottery conducted prior to the transfer authorized under section 12-808 by the Division of Special Revenue, (B) after such transfer, the Connecticut state lottery conducted by the corporation pursuant to sections 12-563a, as amended by this act and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 4 of this act, (C) the state lottery referred to in subsection (a) of section 53-278g, and (D) kend conducted by the corporation pursuant to section 12-806c, as amended by this act, or section 4 of this act; (5) "Keno" means a lottery game in which a subset of numbers are
944945946947	drawn from a larger field of numbers by a central computer system using an approved random number generator, wheel system device of other drawing device; [. "Keno" does not include a game operated on a video facsimile machine;]
948 949 950 951 952 953 954	(6) "Lottery fund" means a fund or funds established by, and under the management and control of, the corporation, into which all lottery revenues of the corporation are deposited, from which all payments and expenses of the corporation are paid and from which transfers to the General Fund or the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 10-183vv, are made pursuant to section 12-812; [and]

(7) "Online sports wagering" has the same meaning as provided in

section 1 of this act;

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- [(7)] (8) "Operating revenue" means total revenue received from lottery sales less all cancelled sales and amounts paid as prizes but before payment or provision for payment of any other expenses;
- 960 (9) "Retail sports wagering" has the same meaning as provided in section 1 of this act; and
- 962 (10) "Skin" has the same meaning as provided in section 1 of this act.
- 963 Sec. 17. Section 12-806 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
 - (a) The purposes of the corporation shall be to: (1) Operate and manage the lottery, and operate and manage retail sports wagering and online sports wagering if authorized to do so pursuant to section 4 of this act, in an entrepreneurial and business-like manner free from the budgetary and other constraints that affect state agencies; (2) provide continuing and increased revenue to the people of the state through the lottery, and retail sports wagering and online sports wagering if authorized to operate such wagering pursuant to section 4 of this act, by being responsive to market forces and acting generally as a corporation engaged in entrepreneurial pursuits; (3) pay to the trustee of the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 10-183vv, the amounts, if any, required pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-812, as amended by this act; and (4) ensure that the lottery, [continues] and retail sports wagering and online sports wagering, if authorized to operate such wagering pursuant to section 4 of this act, continue to be operated with integrity and for the public good.
 - (b) The corporation shall have the following powers:
 - (1) To receive as transferee from the state of Connecticut all of the tangible and intangible assets constituting the lottery including the exclusive right to operate the lottery as the exclusive lottery of the state and, subject to subsection (b) of section 12-808, to assume and discharge all of the agreements, covenants and obligations of the Department of

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- Onsumer Protection entered into which constitute a part of the operation and management of the lottery;
- (2) To operate and manage the lottery consistent with the provisions of sections 1-120, 1-121, 1-125, 12-563, 12-563a, as amended by this act, 12-564, 12-566, 12-568a and 12-569, subsection (c) of section 12-574, [and] sections 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 4 of this act, and as specifically provided in section 12-812, as amended by this act;
 - (3) To have perpetual succession as a body corporate and to adopt bylaws, policies and procedures for the operation of its affairs and conduct of its businesses;
 - (4) (A) To introduce new lottery games, modify existing lottery games, utilize existing and new technologies, determine distribution channels for the sale of lottery tickets, introduce keno pursuant to signed agreements with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, in accordance with section 12-806c, as amended by this act, or pursuant to section 4 of this act, and, to the extent specifically authorized by regulations adopted by the Department of Consumer Protection pursuant to chapter 54, introduce instant ticket vending machines, kiosks and automated wagering systems or machines, with all such rights being subject to regulatory oversight by the Department of Consumer Protection; [, except that the corporation shall not offer any interactive on-line lottery games, including on-line video lottery games for promotional purposes;] and
 - (B) (i) To sell lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application in accordance with section 4 of this act and to advertise lottery games on the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application; and (ii) to offer interactive lottery games for promotional purposes through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, provided (I) there is no cost to play such interactive lottery games for promotional purposes, (II) no prizes or rewards of any monetary value are awarded for playing such interactive lottery games for promotional purposes,

- and (III) no lottery ticket purchase is required to play such interactive lottery games for promotional purposes. The corporation shall not offer any interactive lottery game, including for promotional purposes, except as expressly permitted pursuant to this subdivision;
 - (5) To establish an annual budget of revenues and expenditures, along with reasonable reserves for working capital, capital expenditures, debt retirement and other anticipated expenditures, in a manner and at levels considered by the board of directors as appropriate and prudent;
- 1029 (6) To adopt such administrative and operating procedures which the 1030 board of directors deems appropriate;
 - (7) To enter into agreements with one or more states or territories of the United States for the promotion and operation of joint lottery games and to continue to participate in any joint lottery game in which the corporation participates on July 1, 2003, regardless of whether any government-authorized lottery operated outside of the United States participates in such game;
 - (8) Subject to the provisions of section 12-815, <u>as amended by this act</u>, to enter into agreements with vendors with respect to (A) the operation and management of the lottery, including operation of lottery terminals, management services, printing of lottery tickets, management expertise, marketing expertise, advertising or such other goods or services as the board of directors deems necessary and appropriate, <u>and</u> (B) <u>services</u> related to operation of a skin for online sport wagering;
 - (9) To purchase or lease operating equipment, including, but not limited to, computer gaming and automated wagering systems and to employ agents or employees to operate such systems;
 - (10) To retain unclaimed prize funds as additional revenue for the state, or to use unclaimed prize funds to increase sales, or to return to participants unclaimed prize funds in a manner designed to increase sales;

- 1051 (11) To establish prize reserve accounts as the board of directors deems appropriate;
 - (12) To pay lottery prizes as awarded under section 12-812, <u>as</u> <u>amended by this act</u>, to purchase annuities to fund such prizes, and to assure that all annuities from which payments to winners of lottery prizes are made are invested in instruments issued by agencies of the United States government and backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, or are issued by insurance companies licensed to do business in the state, provided the issuer has been determined by the Department of Consumer Protection to be financially stable and meets the minimum investment rating as determined by the department;
 - (13) To pay the Office of Policy and Management to reimburse the Department of Consumer Protection for the reasonable and necessary costs arising from the department's regulatory oversight of the operation of the lottery, keno, retail sports wagering and online sports wagering by the corporation, in accordance with the assessment made pursuant to section 12-806b, including costs arising directly or indirectly from the licensing of lottery agents, performance of state police background investigations, and the implementation of subsection (b) of section 12-562 and sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, 12-568a, 12-569, 12-570, 12-570a and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 4 of this act;
 - (14) In the event that the operation or management of the corporation becomes subject to the federal gaming occupation tax, to pay such tax on behalf of lottery sales agents and to assist agents subject thereto;
- 1076 (15) To determine the commissions payable to lottery sales agents, 1077 provided any agent's commission shall not average less than four per 1078 cent of such agent's lottery sales;
 - (16) To invest in, acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of real property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or

- incidental to carrying out the purposes of sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, provided such transactions shall not be subject to approval, review or regulation pursuant to title 4b or any other statute by any state agency, except that real property transactions shall be subject to review by the State Properties Review Board;
- 1088 (17) To borrow money for the purpose of obtaining working capital;
- 1089 (18) To hold patents, copyrights, trademarks, marketing rights, 1090 licenses or any other evidence of protection or exclusivity issued under 1091 the laws of the United States or any state;
 - (19) To employ such assistants, agents and other employees as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes in accordance with sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 4 and sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act, to fix their compensation and, subject to the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of section 12-802, establish all necessary and appropriate personnel practices and policies; to engage consultants, accountants, attorneys and financial and other independent professionals as may be necessary or desirable to assist the corporation in performing its purposes in accordance with sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 4 and sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act;
 - (20) To make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its powers under sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 4 and sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act;
 - (21) In its own name, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, adopt a seal and alter the same at pleasure;
- 1109 (22) Subject to the approval of the board and to the requirement to 1110 remit excess lottery funds to the General Fund as set forth in section 12-1111 812, <u>as amended by this act</u>, to invest any funds not needed for 1112 immediate use or disbursement, including any funds held in approved

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1121	right, payment, royalty, contract or agreement of any kind;		
1122	(25) To acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of		
1123	personal property, and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements		
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1125	the carrying out of these purposes;		
1126	(26) To account for and audit funds of the corporation;		
1127	(27) To pay or provide for payment from operating revenues all		
1128	expenses, costs and obligations incurred by the corporation in the		
1129	exercise of the powers of the corporation under sections 12-563a, as		
1130	amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 4 and		
1131	sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act; [and]		
1132	(28) To operate retail sports wagering at up to fifteen facilities located		
1133	throughout the state and one skin for online sports wagering pursuant		
1134	to the provisions of section 4 and sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act;		
1135	<u>and</u>		
1136	[(28)] (29) To exercise any powers necessary to carry out the purposes		
1137	of sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818,		
1138	inclusive, and section 4 and sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act.		
1139	Sec. 18. Section 12-806a of the general statutes is repealed and the		

As used in this section, "procedure" has the same meaning as 1141 1142 "procedure", as defined in subdivision (2) of section 1-120. The 1143 Department of Consumer Protection shall, for the purposes of section 1144 12-568a, subsection (c) of section 12-574, sections 12-802a and 12-815a, 1145 sections 4 and sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act and this section, 1146 regulate the activities of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to assure the integrity of the state lottery, retail sports wagering and online sports 1147 wagering. In addition to the requirements of the provisions of chapter 1148 1149 12 and notwithstanding the provisions of section 12-806, as amended by 1150 this act, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation shall, prior to 1151 implementing any procedure designed to assure the integrity of the 1152 state lottery, retail sports wagering or online sports wagering, obtain the 1153 written approval of the Commissioner of Consumer Protection in 1154 accordance with regulations adopted under section 12-568a.

- Sec. 19. Section 12-810 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
- 1157 (a) The Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200, shall apply to all actions, meetings and records of the corporation, except (1) 1158 1159 where otherwise limited by subsection (c) of this section as to new 1160 lottery games and serial numbers of unclaimed lottery tickets, [and] (2) 1161 with respect to financial, credit and proprietary information submitted 1162 by any person to the corporation in connection with any proposal to 1163 provide goods, services or professional advice to the corporation as 1164 provided in section 12-815, as amended by this act, and (3) where 1165 otherwise limited by subsection (d) of this section as to information 1166 submitted by any person to the corporation regarding such person's 1167 participation in the corporation's voluntary self-exclusion process 1168 established pursuant to subparagraph (F) of subdivision (4) of 1169 subsection (a) of section 4 of this act.
- 1170 (b) The records of proceedings as provided in subsection (a) of section 1171 12-805 shall be subject to disclosure pursuant to the provisions of 1172 subsection (a) of section 1-210.

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- 1173 (c) Any new lottery game and the procedures for such game, until the 1174 game is publicly announced by the corporation, and any serial number 1175 of an unclaimed lottery ticket shall not be deemed public records, as 1176 defined in section 1-200, and shall not be available to the public under 1177 the provisions of section 1-210. The president shall submit a fiscal note 1178 prepared by the corporation with respect to the procedures for a new 1179 lottery game to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly 1180 having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue, bonding and 1181 public safety after approval of such game by the board.
- 1182 (d) The name and any personally identifying information of a person 1183 who is participating or who has participated in the corporation's 1184 voluntary self-exclusion process shall not be deemed public records, as 1185 defined in section 1-200, and shall not be available to the public under 1186 the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200, except that the president may disclose the name and any relevant 1187 1188 records of such person, other than records regarding such person's 1189 participation in the voluntary self-exclusion process, if such person 1190 claims a winning lottery ticket from the use of the online lottery 1191 program established pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of 1192 section 4 of this act.
- Sec. 20. Section 12-811 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2021):
- 1195 (a) The president and all directors, officers and employees of the 1196 corporation shall be state employees for purposes of sections 1-79 to 1-1197 89, inclusive.
- (b) No director, officer or employee of the corporation shall, directly or indirectly, participate in, or share in the winnings from, a game conducted pursuant to sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, [and] 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, section 4 of this act or sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act.
- Sec. 21. Section 12-815 of the general statutes is repealed and the

1204 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) (1) The corporation shall establish and adopt specific policies, rules and procedures on purchasing and contracting. Such policies, rules and procedures or amendments thereto shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire board. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the corporation may enter into management, consulting and other agreements for the provision of goods, services and professional advisors necessary or useful in connection with the operation and management of the lottery [(1)] (A) pursuant to a process of open or competitive bidding, provided [(A)] (i) the corporation shall first determine the format, content and scope of any agreement for any procurement of goods or services, the conditions under which bidding will take place and the schedule and stipulations for contract award, and [(B)] (ii) the corporation may select the contractor deemed to have submitted the most favorable bid, considering price and other factors, when, in the judgment of the corporation, such award is in the best interests of the corporation, or [(2)] (B) if the corporation, in its discretion, determines that, due to the nature of the agreement to be contracted for or procured, open or public bidding is either impracticable or not in the best interests of the corporation, by negotiation with such prospective providers as the corporation may determine. The terms and conditions of agreements and the fees or other compensation to be paid to such persons shall be determined by the corporation. The agreements entered into by the corporation in accordance with the provisions of this section shall not be subject to the approval of any state department, office or agency, except as provided in regulations adopted by the Department of Consumer Protection. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to restrict the discretion of the corporation to utilize its own staff and workforce for the performance of any of its assigned responsibilities and functions whenever, in the discretion of the corporation, it becomes necessary, convenient or desirable to do so. Copies of all agreements of the corporation shall be maintained by the corporation at its offices as public records, subject to said exemption.

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- 1238 (2) The corporation may enter into agreements pursuant to 1239 subdivision (1) of this subsection with vendors for the provision of 1240 services for a skin for online sports wagering, provided such services (A) are not branded along with an operator of a casino that operates in 1242 any jurisdiction, and (B) do not directly or indirectly promote a casino 1243 that operates in another jurisdiction, including through awarding of 1244 players' points, free play, promotions or other marketing activities. If the 1245 corporation enters an agreement with a vendor that is owned by an 1246 operator of a casino in any jurisdiction, the vendor may not share any 1247 customer information with such operator for purposes of marketing or 1248 any other purposes related to acquiring customers.
- 1249 (b) The corporation shall not be subject to rules, regulations or 1250 restrictions on purchasing or procurement or the disposition of assets 1251 generally applicable to Connecticut state agencies, including those 1252 contained in titles 4a and 4b and the corresponding rules and 1253 regulations. The board shall adopt rules and procedures on purchasing, 1254 procurement and the disposition of assets applicable to the corporation. 1255 The adoption of such rules or procedures shall not be subject to chapter 1256 54. Any such rules or procedures shall be a public record, as defined in 1257 section 1-200.
- 1258 Sec. 22. Section 12-816 of the general statutes is repealed and the 1259 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
 - The exercise of the powers granted by sections 1-120, 1-121, 1-125, 12-563, 12-563a, as amended by this act, 12-564, 12-566, 12-568a and 12-569, subsection (c) of section 12-574, [and] sections 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 4 and sections 6 to 8, inclusive, of this act constitute the performance of an essential governmental function and all operations of the corporation shall be free from any form of federal or state taxation. In addition, except pursuant to any federal requirements, the corporation shall not be required to pay any taxes or assessments upon or in respect to sales of lottery tickets, or any property or moneys of the corporation, levied by the state or any political subdivision or municipal taxing authority. The corporation and its

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- assets, property and revenues shall at all times be free from taxation of every kind by the state and by the municipalities and all other political subdivisions or special districts having taxing powers in the state.
- Sec. 23. Section 12-561 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1276 No commissioner or unit head or employee of the department shall 1277 directly or indirectly, individually or as a member of a partnership or as 1278 a shareholder of a corporation, have any interest whatsoever in dealing 1279 in any lottery, racing, fronton, or betting enterprise or casino gaming 1280 facility or in the ownership or leasing of any property or premises used 1281 by or for any lottery, racing, fronton, or betting enterprise or casino 1282 gaming facility. No commissioner or unit head shall, directly or 1283 indirectly, (1) wager at any off-track betting facility, race track or fronton 1284 authorized under this chapter, (2) purchase lottery tickets issued under 1285 this chapter, [or] (3) play [, directly or indirectly,] any authorized game 1286 conducted at a casino gaming facility, (4) place a sports wager, as 1287 defined in section 1 of this act, or (5) participate in online casino gaming, as defined in section 1 of this act. The commissioner may adopt 1288 1289 regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to prohibit 1290 any employee of the department from engaging, directly or indirectly, 1291 in any form of legalized gambling activity in which such employee is 1292 involved because of his or her employment with the department. For 1293 purposes of this section, "unit head" means a managerial employee with 1294 direct oversight of a legalized gambling activity.

Sec. 24. Section 12-563a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2021):

The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall, within available resources, prepare and distribute informational materials designed to inform the public of the programs available for the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of compulsive gamblers in this state. The commissioner shall require any casino gaming facility and any person or business organization which is licensed to sell lottery tickets, operate

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- an off-track betting system or conduct wagering on racing events or jai alai games, or conduct retail sports wagering to display such informational materials at the casino gaming facility and each licensed premise or retail sports wagering facility, respectively.
- Sec. 25. Section 52-553 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
- 1309 All wagers, and all contracts and securities of which the whole or any 1310 part of the consideration is money or other valuable thing won, laid or 1311 bet, at any game, horse race, sport or pastime, and all contracts to repay 1312 any money knowingly lent at the time and place of such game, race, 1313 sport or pastime, to any person so gaming, betting or wagering, or to 1314 repay any money lent to any person who, at such time and place, so 1315 pays, bets or wagers, shall be void, provided nothing in this section shall 1316 (1) affect the validity of any negotiable instrument held by any person 1317 who acquired the same for value and in good faith without notice of 1318 illegality in the consideration, (2) apply to the sale of a raffle ticket 1319 pursuant to section 7-172, (3) apply to online casino gaming, online sports wagering and retail sports wagering, as such terms are defined 1320 in section 1 of this act, and conducted pursuant to sections 3 to 7, 1321 1322 inclusive, of this act, as applicable, (4) apply to the participation in the 1323 program established by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation pursuant 1324 to section 4 of this act to sell lottery tickets for lottery draw games 1325 through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile 1326 application, or [(3)] (5) apply to any wager or contract otherwise 1327 authorized by law.
- Sec. 26. Section 52-554 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
 - Any person who, by playing at any game, or betting on the sides or hands of such as play at any game, excluding any game permitted under chapter 226 or any activity not prohibited under the provisions of sections 53-278a to 53-278g, inclusive, <u>as amended by this act</u>, loses the sum or value of one dollar in the whole and pays or delivers the same

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or any part thereof, may, within three months next following, recover from the winner the money or the value of the goods so lost and paid or delivered, with costs of suit in a civil action, without setting forth the special matter in his complaint. If the defendant refuses to testify, if called upon in such action, relative to the discovery of the property so won, [he] the defendant shall be defaulted; but no evidence so given by [him] the defendant shall be offered against him or her in any criminal prosecution. Nothing in this section shall prohibit any person from using a credit card to participate in (1) online casino gaming, online sports wagering and retail sports wagering, as such terms are defined in section 1 of this act, and conducted pursuant to sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of this act, as applicable, or (2) the program established by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation pursuant to section 4 of this act to sell lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application.

Sec. 27. Subdivision (2) of section 53-278a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2021):

(2) "Gambling" means risking any money, credit, deposit or other thing of value for gain contingent in whole or in part upon lot, chance or the operation of a gambling device, including the playing of a casino gambling game such as blackjack, poker, craps, roulette or a slot machine, but does not include: Legal contests of skill, speed, strength or endurance in which awards are made only to entrants or the owners of entries; legal business transactions which are valid under the law of contracts; activity legal under the provisions of sections 7-169 to 7-186, inclusive; any lottery or contest conducted by or under the authority of any state of the United States, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or any possession or territory of the United States; and other acts or transactions expressly authorized by law on or after October 1, 1973. Fantasy contests, as defined in section 12-578aa, as amended by this act, shall not be considered gambling, provided the conditions set forth in subsection (b) of section 12-578aa, as amended by this act, have been met

- and the operator of such contests is [registered] licensed pursuant to 1369 [subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of] section 12-578aa, as amended by 1370 this act. Online casino gaming, online sports wagering and retail sports 1371 wagering, as such terms are defined in section 1 of this act, shall not be
- 1372 considered gambling if the online casino gaming, online sports
- 1373 wagering or retail sports wagering is conducted pursuant to sections 3
- 1374 to 7, inclusive, of this act;
- 1375 Sec. 28. Subdivision (4) of section 53-278a of the general statutes is 1376 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
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1378 (4) "Gambling device" means any device or mechanism by the 1379 operation of which a right to money, credits, deposits or other things of 1380 value may be created, as the result of the operation of an element of chance; any device or mechanism which, when operated for a 1381 1382 consideration, does not return the same value or thing of value for the 1383 same consideration upon each operation thereof; any device, 1384 mechanism, furniture or fixture designed primarily for use in 1385 connection with professional gambling; and any subassembly or 1386 essential part designed or intended for use in connection with any such 1387 device, mechanism, furniture, fixture, construction or installation, 1388 provided an immediate and unrecorded right of replay mechanically 1389 conferred on players of pinball machines and similar amusement 1390 devices shall be presumed to be without value. "Gambling device" does 1391 not include a crane game machine or device or a redemption machine. 1392 A device or equipment used to play fantasy contests, as defined in 1393 section 12-578aa, as amended by this act, shall not be considered a 1394 gambling device, provided [the conditions set forth in subsection (b) of 1395 section 12-578aa have been met such device or equipment is used by a 1396 licensee pursuant to section 12-578aa, as amended by this act. A device 1397 or equipment used to participate in online casino gaming, online sports 1398 wagering or retail sports wagering, as such terms are defined in section 1399 1 of this act, shall not be considered a gambling device if the conditions 1400 set forth in sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of this act, as applicable, have been

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- Sec. 29. Section 53-278g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
- 1404 (a) Nothing in sections 53-278a to 53-278f, inclusive, as amended by 1405 this act, shall be construed to prohibit the publication of an 1406 advertisement of, or the operation of, or participation in, a state lottery, 1407 pari-mutuel betting at race tracks licensed by the state, off-track betting 1408 conducted by the state or a licensee authorized to operate the off-track 1409 betting system, authorized games at a casino gaming facility, online 1410 casino gaming, online sports wagering and retail sports wagering, as 1411 authorized by sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of this act, a promotional 1412 drawing for a prize or prizes, conducted for advertising purposes by 1413 any person, firm or corporation other than a retail grocer or retail 1414 grocery chain, wherein members of the general public may participate 1415 without making any purchase or otherwise paying or risking credit, 1416 money, or any other tangible thing of value or a sweepstakes conducted 1417 pursuant to sections 42-295 to 42-301, inclusive.
 - (b) The Mashantucket Pequot [tribe] <u>Tribe</u> and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or their agents, may use and possess at any location within the state, solely for the purpose of training individuals in skills required for employment by the tribe or testing a gambling device, any gambling device which the tribes are authorized to utilize on their reservations pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act; provided no money or other thing of value shall be paid to any person as a result of the operation of such gambling device in the course of such training or testing at locations outside of the reservation of the tribe. Any person receiving such training or testing such device may use any such device in the course of such training or testing. Whenever either of said tribes intends to use and possess at any location within the state any such gambling device for the purpose of testing such device, the tribe shall give prior notice of such testing to the Department of Consumer Protection.

(c) Any casino gaming facility, or its agents, may use and possess at any location within the state, solely for the purpose of training individuals in skills required for employment by the casino gaming facility or testing a gambling device, any gambling device which the casino gaming facility may use for conducting authorized games at the casino gaming facility, provided no money or other thing of value shall be paid to any person as a result of the operation of such gambling device in the course of such training or testing at locations outside of the casino gaming facility. Any person receiving such training or testing such device may use any such device in the course of such training or testing. Whenever a casino gaming facility intends to use and possess at any location within the state any such gambling device for the purpose of testing such device, the casino gambling facility shall give prior notice of such testing to the Department of Consumer Protection.

Sec. 30. (Effective July 1, 2021) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1-3 of the general statutes, if any provision of sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act, or any amendment made to the provisions of the general statutes pursuant to this act, except for those provisions regarding keno and the sale of lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final judgment which is not appealable, (1) the provisions of sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act shall cease to be effective, except for those provisions regarding keno and the sale of lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, and (2) the amendments made to the provisions of the sections of the general statutes pursuant to this act shall be inoperative, except for those provisions regarding keno and the sale of lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application.

Sec. 31. Section 12-565a of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective* 1464 *July* 1, 2021)

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Sec. 23	July 1, 2021	12-561		
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