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STATE **O**F RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011

AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL

Introduced By: Senator Maryellen Goodwin

Date Introduced: March 24, 2011

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 42-61.2-7 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-61.2 entitled "Video 2 Lottery Terminal" is hereby amended to read as follows:
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42-61.2-7. Division of revenue. [Effective June 30, 2009 and expires June 30, 2011.] -

4 - (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 42-61-15, the allocation of net terminal income 5 derived from video lottery games is as follows:

(1) For deposit in the general fund and to the state lottery division fund for 6 7 administrative purposes: Net terminal income not otherwise disbursed in accordance with 8 subdivisions (a)(2) - (a)(6) herein;

9 (i) Except for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, nineteen one hundredths of one 10 percent (0.19%) up to a maximum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) shall be equally 11 allocated to the distressed communities as defined in section 45-13-12 provided that no eligible 12 community shall receive more than twenty-five percent (25%) of that community's currently 13 enacted municipal budget as its share under this specific subsection. Distributions made under 14 this specific subsection are supplemental to all other distributions made under any portion of 15 general laws section 45-13-12. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 distributions by 16 community shall be identical to the distributions made in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 and 17 shall be made from general appropriations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, the total 18 state distribution shall be the same total amount distributed in the fiscal year ending June 30, 19 2008 and shall be made from general appropriations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the

total state distribution shall be the same total amount distributed in the fiscal year ending June 30,
 2009 and shall be made from general appropriations, provided however that \$784,458 of the total
 appropriation shall be distributed equally to each qualifying distressed community.

(ii) Five one hundredths of one percent (0.05%) up to a maximum of five million dollars
(\$5,000,000) shall be appropriated to property tax relief to fully fund the provisions of section 4433-2.1. The maximum credit defined in subdivision 44-33-9(2) shall increase to the maximum
amount to the nearest five dollar (\$5.00) increment within the allocation until a maximum credit
of five hundred dollars (\$500) is obtained. In no event shall the exemption in any fiscal year be
less than the prior fiscal year.

(iii) One and twenty-two one hundredths of one percent (1.22%) to fund section 44-34.11, entitled "Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Tax Elimination Act of 1998", to the maximum
amount to the nearest two hundred fifty dollar (\$250) increment within the allocation. In no event
shall the exemption in any fiscal year be less than the prior fiscal year.

14 (iv) Except for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, ten one hundredths of one percent 15 (0.10%) to a maximum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for supplemental distribution to 16 communities not included in paragraph (a)(1)(i) above distributed proportionately on the basis of 17 general revenue sharing distributed for that fiscal year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 18 distributions by community shall be identical to the distributions made in the fiscal year ending 19 June 30, 2007 and shall be made from general appropriations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 20 2009, no funding shall be disbursed. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 and thereafter, 21 funding shall be determined by appropriation.

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(2) To the licensed video lottery retailer:

(a) (i) Prior to the effective date of the NGJA Master Contract, Newport Jai Ali twentysix percent (26%) minus three hundred eighty four thousand nine hundred ninety-six dollars
(\$384,996);

(ii) On and after the effective date of the NGJA Master Contract, to the licensed video
lottery retailer who is a party to the NGJA Master Contract, all sums due and payable under said
Master Contract minus three hundred eighty four thousand nine hundred ninety-six dollars
(\$384,996).

30 (b) (i) Prior to the effective date of the UTGR Master Contract, to the present licensed 31 video lottery retailer at Lincoln Park which is not a party to the UTGR Master Contract, twenty-32 eight and eighty-five one hundredths percent (28.85%) minus seven hundred sixty-seven 33 thousand six hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$767,687);

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(ii) On and after the effective date of the UTGR Master Contract, to the licensed video

1 lottery retailer who is a party to the UTGR Master Contract, all sums due and payable under said 2 Master Contract minus seven hundred sixty-seven thousand six hundred eighty-seven dollars 3 (\$767,687).

4 (3) (i) To the technology providers who are not a party to the GTECH Master Contract as set forth and referenced in Public Law 2003, Chapter 32, seven percent (7%) of the net 5 terminal income of the provider's terminals; 6

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(ii) To contractors who are a party to the Master Contract as set forth and referenced in 8 Public Law 2003, Chapter 32, all sums due and payable under said Master Contract;

9 (iii) Notwithstanding paragraphs (i) and (ii) above, there shall be subtracted 10 proportionately from the payments to technology providers the sum of six hundred twenty-eight 11 thousand seven hundred thirty-seven dollars (\$628,737);

12 (4) To the city of Newport one and one hundredth percent (1.01%) of net terminal 13 income of authorized machines at Newport Grand except that effective November 9, 2009, the 14 allocation shall be one and two tenths percent (1.2%) of net terminal income of authorized 15 machines at Newport Grand for each week the facility operates video lottery games on a twenty-16 four (24) hour basis for all eligible hours authorized and to the town of Lincoln one and twenty-17 six hundredths percent (1.26%) of net terminal income of authorized machines at Lincoln Park 18 except that effective November 9, 2009, the allocation shall be one and forty-five hundredths 19 percent (1.45%) of net terminal income of authorized machines at Lincoln Park for each week the 20 facility operates video lottery games on a twenty-four (24) hour basis for all eligible hours 21 authorized;

22 (5) To the Narragansett Indian Tribe, seventeen hundredths of one percent (0.17%) of net 23 terminal income of authorized machines at Lincoln Park up to a maximum of ten million dollars 24 (\$10,000,000) per year, which shall be paid to the Narragansett Indian Tribe for the account of a 25 Tribal Development Fund to be used for the purpose of encouraging and promoting: home 26 ownership and improvement, elderly housing, adult vocational training; health and social 27 services; childcare; natural resource protection; and economic development consistent with state 28 law. Provided, however, such distribution shall terminate upon the opening of any gaming facility 29 in which the Narragansett Indians are entitled to any payments or other incentives; and provided 30 further, any monies distributed hereunder shall not be used for, or spent on previously contracted 31 debts; and

32 (6) Unclaimed prizes and credits shall remit to the general fund of the state;

33 (7) Payments into the state's general fund specified in subdivisions (a)(1) and (a)(6) shall 34 be made on an estimated monthly basis. Payment shall be made on the tenth day following the

1 close of the month except for the last month when payment shall be on the last business day.

(b) Notwithstanding the above, the amounts payable by the Division to UTGR related to
the Marketing Program shall be paid on a frequency agreed by the Division, but no less
frequently than annually.

5 (c) Notwithstanding anything in this chapter 61.2 of this title 42 to the contrary, the
6 Director is authorized to fund the Marketing Program as described above in regard to the First
7 Amendment to the UTGR Master Contract.

8 (d) Notwithstanding the above, the amounts payable by the Division to Newport Grand
9 related to the Marketing Program shall be paid on a frequency agreed by the Division, but no less
10 frequently than annually.

(e) Notwithstanding anything in this chapter 61.2 of this title 42 to the contrary, the
Director is authorized to fund the Marketing Program as described above in regard to the First
Amendment to the Newport Grand Master Contract.

<u>42-61.2-7. Division of revenue. [Effective June 30, 2011.] -</u> (a) Notwithstanding the
 provisions of section 42-61-15, the allocation of net terminal income derived from video lottery
 games is as follows:

17 (1) For deposit in the general fund and to the state lottery division fund for
18 administrative purposes: Net terminal income not otherwise disbursed in accordance with
19 subdivisions (a)(2) -- (a)(6) herein;

20 (i) Except for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, nineteen one hundredths of one 21 percent (0.19%) up to a maximum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) shall be equally 22 allocated to the distressed communities as defined in section 45-13-12 provided that no eligible 23 community shall receive more than twenty-five percent (25%) of that community's currently 24 enacted municipal budget as its share under this specific subsection. Distributions made under 25 this specific subsection are supplemental to all other distributions made under any portion of 26 general laws section 45-13-12. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 distributions by 27 community shall be identical to the distributions made in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 and 28 shall be made from general appropriations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, the total 29 state distribution shall be the same total amount distributed in the fiscal year ending June 30, 30 2008 and shall be made from general appropriations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the 31 total state distribution shall be the same total amount distributed in the fiscal year ending June 30, 32 2009 and shall be made from general appropriations, provided however that \$784,458 of the total appropriation shall be distributed equally to each qualifying distressed community. 33

34 (ii) Five one hundredths of one percent (0.05%) up to a maximum of five million dollars

(\$5,000,000) shall be appropriated to property tax relief to fully fund the provisions of section 4433-2.1. The maximum credit defined in subdivision 44-33-9(2) shall increase to the maximum
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amount to the nearest two hundred fifty dollar (\$250) increment within the allocation. In no event
shall the exemption in any fiscal year be less than the prior fiscal year.

10 (iv) Except for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, ten one hundredths of one percent 11 (0.10%) to a maximum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for supplemental distribution to 12 communities not included in paragraph (a)(1)(i) above distributed proportionately on the basis of 13 general revenue sharing distributed for that fiscal year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 14 distributions by community shall be identical to the distributions made in the fiscal year ending 15 June 30, 2007 and shall be made from general appropriations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 16 2009, no funding shall be disbursed. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 and thereafter, 17 funding shall be determined by appropriation.

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(2) To the licensed video lottery retailer:

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Master Contract minus three hundred eighty four thousand nine hundred ninety-six dollars
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video lottery retailer at Lincoln Park which is not a party to the UTGR Master Contract, twentyeight and eighty-five one hundredths percent (28.85%) minus seven hundred sixty-seven
thousand six hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$767,687);

30 (ii) On and after the effective date of the UTGR Master Contract, to the licensed video
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32 Master Contract minus seven hundred sixty-seven thousand six hundred eighty-seven dollars
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(4) To the city of Newport one and one hundredth percent (1.01%) of net terminal 9 income of authorized machines at Newport Grand and to the town of Lincoln one and twenty-six 10 hundredths percent (1.26%) of net terminal income of authorized machines at Lincoln Park; and

11 (5) To the Narragansett Indian Tribe, seventeen hundredths of one percent (0.17%) of net 12 terminal income of authorized machines at Lincoln Park up to a maximum of ten million dollars 13 (\$10,000,000) per year, which shall be paid to the Narragansett Indian Tribe for the account of a 14 Tribal Development Fund to be used for the purpose of encouraging and promoting: home 15 ownership and improvement, elderly housing, adult vocational training; health and social 16 services; childcare; natural resource protection; and economic development consistent with state 17 law. Provided, however, such distribution shall terminate upon the opening of any gaming facility 18 in which the Narragansett Indians are entitled to any payments or other incentives; and provided 19 further, any monies distributed hereunder shall not be used for, or spent on previously contracted 20 debts; and

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(6) Unclaimed prizes and credits shall remit to the general fund of the state; and

22 (7) Payments into the state's general fund specified in subdivisions (a)(1) and (a)(6) shall 23 be made on an estimated monthly basis. Payment shall be made on the tenth day following the 24 close of the month except for the last month when payment shall be on the last business day.

25 (b) Notwithstanding the above, the amounts payable by the Division to UTGR related to 26 the Marketing Program shall be paid on a frequency agreed by the Division, but no less 27 frequently than annually, out of that share of net terminal income disbursed pursuant to 28 subdivision 42-61.2-7(a)(1) as an administrative expense of the division after allocation of net terminal income pursuant to subdivisions 42-61.2-7(a)(1) through (a)(6). 29

30 (c) Notwithstanding anything in this chapter 61.2 of this title 42 to the contrary, the 31 Director is authorized to fund the Marketing Program as described above in regard to the First 32 Amendment to the UTGR Master Contract.

(d) Notwithstanding the above, the amounts payable by the Division to Newport Grand 33 34 related to the Marketing Program shall be paid on a frequency agreed by the Division, but no less

- 1 frequently than annually, out of that share of net terminal income disbursed pursuant to
- 2 subdivision 42-61.2-7(a)(1) as an administrative expense of the division after allocation of net
- 3 terminal income pursuant to sections 42-61.2-7(a)(1) through (a)(6).
- 4 (e) Notwithstanding anything in this chapter 61.2 of this title 42 to the contrary, the
- 5 Director is authorized to fund the Marketing Program as described above in regard to the First
- 6 Amendment to the Newport Grand Master Contract.
- 7 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on June 30, 2011.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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1 This act would provide that any net terminal income paid to UTGR or Newport Grand 2 related to the marketing program shall be paid out of the share of net terminal income disbursed 3 as an administrative expense of the division of state lottery after applicable allocations of net 4 terminal income.

This act would take effect on June 30, 2011.

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