

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 580

BY REPRESENTATIVE STEFANSKI

GAMING: Provides relative to the operation of sports wagering and the La. Lottery Corp.

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 47:9001(B), 9002(27), and 9091(B), relative to sports wagering;
3 to provide relative to the operation of sports wagering through the Louisiana Lottery
4 Corporation; to provide relative to a sports book operated and administered by the
5 corporation; to provide relative to the definition of "sports wagering mechanism" or
6 "kiosk"; to provide relative to contracts with a sports wagering platform provider;
7 and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 47:9001(B), 9002(27), and 9091(B) are hereby amended and
10 reenacted to read as follows:

11 §9001. Statement of purpose and intent

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13 B. The legislature hereby recognizes that, similar to other states, the
14 Louisiana Lottery Corporation is uniquely positioned to participate in the sports
15 wagering industry based upon its business model, infrastructure, and current
16 relationship with retail establishments. The legislature also recognizes that allowing
17 the state lottery to participate in sports wagering may generate additional state
18 revenue. The Louisiana Lottery Corporation through an operator shall operate and
19 administer a Louisiana Lottery Corporation branded sports book which shall be a
20 separate and distinct responsibility and operation from lottery gaming. Any sports

DIGEST

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Abstract: Relative to sports wagering and the La. Lottery Corp., provides relative to the corporation's sports book, amends the definition of "sports wagering mechanism" or "kiosk", and requires the corporation to contract with a qualified sports wagering platform provider.

Present law (R.S. 47:9001) relative to the purpose and intent of the La. Lottery Corp. (corporation), requires the corporation through an operator to operate and administer a sports book which shall be a separate and distinct responsibility and operation from lottery gaming.

Proposed law amends present law to provide that the sports book shall be a La. Lottery Corp. branded sports book.

Present law (R.S. 40:9002(27)) defines "sports wagering mechanism" or "kiosk" as a corporation approved self-service mechanical, electrical, or computerized terminal, device, apparatus, or piece of equipment that is directly tied to the central system of the sports wagering platform provider approved by and contracting with the corporation, which allows a patron to place a sports wager on premises of a permitted retail establishment. "Sports wagering mechanism" does not include a personal computer, mobile phone, or other device owned and used by a player to wager on a sports event.

Proposed law amends the present law definition to mean a corporation approved new or existing lottery terminal including self-service mechanical, electrical, or computerized terminal, device, apparatus, or piece of equipment that is directly tied to the lottery central system of the sports wagering platform provider.

Present law (R.S. 47:9091(B)) requires the corporation to contract with a sports wagering platform provider for the operation of a sports book.

Proposed law amends present law to require the corporation to contract with a qualified sports wagering platform provider for the operation of a La. Lottery Corp. branded sports book.

(Amends R.S. 47:9001(B), 9002(27), and 9091(B))