

HOUSE BILL 538

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By: **Delegate Conaway**

Introduced and read first time: January 30, 2013

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Video Lottery Facility – Credit Extensions to Patrons – Limitation**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Lottery Commission to adopt regulations
4 prohibiting a video lottery operation licensee from extending more than a
5 certain amount of credit to a patron of the video lottery facility within a certain
6 period; and generally relating to video lottery facilities.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – State Government
9 Section 9–1A–24(a) and (e)(1)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – State Government
14 Section 9–1A–24(f)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – State Government**

20 9–1A–24.

21 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the Commission shall
22 ensure that a video lottery operation licensee complies with the requirements of this
23 section as a condition of holding the video lottery operation license.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (e) (1) By regulation, the Commission shall adopt measures that are
2 intended to reduce or mitigate the effects of problem gambling.

3 (f) In order to protect the public interest, the regulations shall include
4 provisions that:

5 (1) limit the number and location of and maximum withdrawal
6 amounts from automated teller machines;

7 (2) prohibit authorized automated teller machines from accepting
8 electronic benefit cards, debit cards, or similar negotiable instruments issued by the
9 Department of Human Resources for the purpose of accessing temporary cash
10 assistance;

11 (3) require payouts above an amount adopted by the Commission to be
12 made by check;

13 (4) require conspicuous disclosures related to the payout of video
14 lottery terminals;

15 (5) limit the dollar amount that video lottery terminals will accept;

16 (6) prohibit the use of specified negotiable instruments at video lottery
17 facilities and the use of credit cards, debit cards, and similar devices in video lottery
18 terminals;

19 (7) provide consumers with a record of video lottery terminal spending
20 levels if marketing measures are utilized that track consumer spending at video
21 lottery facilities;

22 (8) prohibit consumers from cashing paychecks at video lottery
23 facilities; [and]

24 (9) prohibit video lottery operation licensees from engaging in or
25 contracting with another to engage in predatory marketing practices; **AND**

26 **(10) PROHIBIT A VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEE FROM**
27 **EXTENDING MORE THAN \$500 IN CREDIT TO A PATRON OF A VIDEO LOTTERY**
28 **FACILITY WITHIN A 24-HOUR PERIOD.**

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
30 October 1, 2013.