

SENATE BILL 771

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By: **Senator Patterson**

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2020

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency – Gaming Study – Use of Gaming**
3 **Proceeds**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to conduct a
5 certain study; requiring the Agency to report its findings to the Governor and the
6 General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this
7 Act; and generally relating to a study by the State Lottery and Gaming Control
8 Agency.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
10 That:

11 (a) The State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency shall study:

12 (1) the distribution and use of local impact grants distributed under Title
13 9, Subtitle 1A of the State Government Article, including:

14 (i) identifying the type of games that generate the revenue for the
15 local impact grants; and

16 (ii) determining whether local impact grants are being utilized as
17 intended under State law or the multiyear plan required under § 9–1A–31(d) of the State
18 Government Article;

19 (2) the use of the Problem Gambling Fund established under § 9–1A–33 of
20 the State Government Article, including:

21 (i) an accounting of all revenue distributed to the Fund;

22 (ii) the location and accessibility of any service centers established
23 with money from the Fund; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (iii) the effectiveness of the Fund in deterring problem gambling; and

2 (3) the use of video lottery proceeds distributed to the Small, Minority, and
3 Women-Owned Business Account established under § 5-1501 of the Economic
4 Development Article, including:

5 (i) an accounting of the use of any video lottery proceeds distributed
6 to the Account;

7 (ii) the current fund balance of the Account and amount of unused
8 fund balance for any prior fiscal year;

9 (iii) an analysis of the amounts awarded from the Account by location
10 and racial classification; and

11 (iv) a comparison of the procedures the Account uses to lend money
12 to the procedures a bank uses to lend money.

13 (b) On or before December 1, 2020, the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency
14 shall report its findings to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State
15 Government Article, the General Assembly.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
17 1, 2020. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2021, this
18 Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no
19 further force and effect.