

AN ACT

To amend sections 109.572, 121.95, 718.031, 718.08, 2915.081, 2935.01, 3123.89, 3123.90, 3770.03, 3770.06, 3770.07, 3770.10, 3772.01, 3772.02, 3772.03, 3772.031, 3772.04, 3772.062, 3772.07, 5703.21, 5747.02, 5747.062, 5747.063, 5747.064, 5747.20, 5751.01, 5753.01, 5753.03, 5753.04, 5753.05, 5753.06, 5753.061, 5753.07, 5753.08, and 5753.10; to enact sections 3770.23, 3770.24, 3770.25, 3775.01, 3775.02, 3775.03, 3775.04, 3775.041, 3775.05, 3775.051, 3775.06, 3775.07, 3775.08, 3775.09, 3775.091, 3775.10, 3775.11, 3775.12, 3775.13, 3775.14, 3775.15, 3775.16, 3775.99, 5753.021, 5753.031, 5753.12, and 5902.22; and to repeal section 3772.28 of the Revised Code to legalize and regulate sports gaming in this state, to levy a tax on businesses that provide sports gaming, and to make other changes to the Gambling Law.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That sections 109.572, 121.95, 718.031, 718.08, 2915.081, 2935.01, 3123.89, 3123.90, 3770.03, 3770.06, 3770.07, 3770.10, 3772.01, 3772.02, 3772.03, 3772.031, 3772.04, 3772.062, 3772.07, 5703.21, 5747.02, 5747.062, 5747.063, 5747.064, 5747.20, 5751.01, 5753.01, 5753.03, 5753.04, 5753.05, 5753.06, 5753.061, 5753.07, 5753.08, and 5753.10 be amended and sections 3770.23, 3770.24, 3770.25, 3775.01, 3775.02, 3775.03, 3775.04, 3775.041, 3775.05, 3775.051, 3775.06, 3775.07, 3775.08, 3775.09, 3775.091, 3775.10, 3775.11, 3775.12, 3775.13, 3775.14, 3775.15, 3775.16, 3775.99, 5753.021, 5753.031, 5753.12, and 5902.22 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 109.572. (A)(1) Upon receipt of a request pursuant to section 121.08, 3301.32, 3301.541, or 3319.39 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.041, 2903.06, 2903.08, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2905.11, 2905.32, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.19, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2923.17, 2923.21, 2923.42, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.041, 2925.05, 2925.06, 2925.13, 2925.22, 2925.23, 2925.24, 2925.31, 2925.32, 2925.36, 2925.37, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code,

felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code, a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date, or a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code that is not a minor drug possession offense;

(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(1)(a) of this section;

(c) If the request is made pursuant to section 3319.39 of the Revised Code for an applicant who is a teacher, any offense specified under section 9.79 of the Revised Code or in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(2) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 3712.09 or 3721.121 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check with respect to any person who has applied for employment in a position for which a criminal records check is required by those sections. The superintendent shall conduct the criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.11, 2905.12, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.12, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2911.13, 2913.02, 2913.03, 2913.04, 2913.11, 2913.21, 2913.31, 2913.40, 2913.43, 2913.47, 2913.51, 2919.25, 2921.36, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.11, 2925.13, 2925.22, 2925.23, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code;

(b) An existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(2)(a) of this section.

(3) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 173.27, 173.38, 173.381, 3740.11, 5119.34, 5164.34, 5164.341, 5164.342, 5123.081, or 5123.169 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check of the person for whom the request is made. The superintendent shall conduct the criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of, has pleaded guilty to, or (except in the case of a request pursuant to section 5164.34, 5164.341, or 5164.342 of the Revised Code) has been found eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction for any of the following, regardless of the date of the conviction, the date of entry of the guilty plea, or (except in the case of a request pursuant to section 5164.34, 5164.341, or 5164.342 of the Revised Code) the date the person was found eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction:

(a) A violation of section 959.13, 959.131, 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.041, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.15, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, 2903.34, 2903.341,

2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2905.11, 2905.12, 2905.32, 2905.33, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.24, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2907.33, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2909.04, 2909.22, 2909.23, 2909.24, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2911.13, 2913.02, 2913.03, 2913.04, 2913.05, 2913.11, 2913.21, 2913.31, 2913.32, 2913.40, 2913.41, 2913.42, 2913.43, 2913.44, 2913.441, 2913.45, 2913.46, 2913.47, 2913.48, 2913.49, 2913.51, 2917.01, 2917.02, 2917.03, 2917.31, 2919.12, 2919.121, 2919.123, 2919.124, 2919.22, 2919.23, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2921.03, 2921.11, 2921.12, 2921.13, 2921.21, 2921.24, 2921.32, 2921.321, 2921.34, 2921.35, 2921.36, 2921.51, 2923.12, 2923.122, 2923.123, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2923.162, 2923.21, 2923.32, 2923.42, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.041, 2925.05, 2925.06, 2925.09, 2925.11, 2925.13, 2925.14, 2925.141, 2925.22, 2925.23, 2925.24, 2925.36, 2925.55, 2925.56, 2927.12, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code;

(b) Felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code;

(c) A violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996;

(d) A violation of section 2923.01, 2923.02, or 2923.03 of the Revised Code when the underlying offense that is the object of the conspiracy, attempt, or complicity is one of the offenses listed in divisions (A)(3)(a) to (c) of this section;

(e) A violation of an existing or former municipal ordinance or law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in divisions (A)(3)(a) to (d) of this section.

(4) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 2151.86 or 2151.904 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 959.13, 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.15, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2909.22, 2909.23, 2909.24, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2913.49, 2917.01, 2917.02, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.05, 2925.06, 2927.12, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code, a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date, a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code that is not a minor drug possession offense, two or more OVI or OVUAC violations committed within the three years immediately preceding the submission of the application or petition that is the basis of the request, or felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code;

(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States

that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(4)(a) of this section.

(5) Upon receipt of a request pursuant to section 5104.013 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2151.421, 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.22, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2905.11, 2905.32, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.19, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.24, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2909.04, 2909.05, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2913.02, 2913.03, 2913.04, 2913.041, 2913.05, 2913.06, 2913.11, 2913.21, 2913.31, 2913.32, 2913.33, 2913.34, 2913.40, 2913.41, 2913.42, 2913.43, 2913.44, 2913.441, 2913.45, 2913.46, 2913.47, 2913.48, 2913.49, 2917.01, 2917.02, 2917.03, 2917.31, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.224, 2919.225, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2921.03, 2921.11, 2921.13, 2921.14, 2921.34, 2921.35, 2923.01, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.05, 2925.06, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code, felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section 2907.12 of the Revised Code, a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date, a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code that is not a minor drug possession offense, a violation of section 2923.02 or 2923.03 of the Revised Code that relates to a crime specified in this division, or a second violation of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code within five years of the date of application for licensure or certification.

(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses or violations described in division (A)(5)(a) of this section.

(6) Upon receipt of a request pursuant to section 5153.111 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.05, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.21, 2907.22, 2907.23, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2909.02, 2909.03, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2919.12, 2919.22, 2919.24, 2919.25, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.04, 2925.05, 2925.06, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code, felonious sexual penetration in violation of former section

2907.12 of the Revised Code, a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, a violation of section 2919.23 of the Revised Code that would have been a violation of section 2905.04 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to July 1, 1996, had the violation been committed prior to that date, or a violation of section 2925.11 of the Revised Code that is not a minor drug possession offense;

(b) A violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(6)(a) of this section.

(7) On receipt of a request for a criminal records check from an individual pursuant to section 4749.03 or 4749.06 of the Revised Code, accompanied by a completed copy of the form prescribed in division (C)(1) of this section and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in a manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists indicating that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any criminal offense in this state or in any other state. If the individual indicates that a firearm will be carried in the course of business, the superintendent shall require information from the federal bureau of investigation as described in division (B)(2) of this section. Subject to division (F) of this section, the superintendent shall report the findings of the criminal records check and any information the federal bureau of investigation provides to the director of public safety.

(8) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 1321.37, 1321.53, or 4763.05 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check with respect to any person who has applied for a license, permit, or certification from the department of commerce or a division in the department. The superintendent shall conduct the criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any criminal offense in this state, any other state, or the United States.

(9) On receipt of a request for a criminal records check from the treasurer of state under section 113.041 of the Revised Code or from an individual under section 928.03, 4701.08, 4715.101, 4717.061, 4725.121, 4725.501, 4729.071, 4729.53, 4729.90, 4729.92, 4730.101, 4730.14, 4730.28, 4731.081, 4731.15, 4731.171, 4731.222, 4731.281, 4731.531, 4732.091, 4734.202, 4740.061, 4741.10, 4747.051, 4751.20, 4751.201, 4751.202, 4751.21, 4753.061, 4755.70, 4757.101, 4759.061, 4760.032, 4760.06, 4761.051, 4762.031, 4762.06, 4774.031, 4774.06, 4776.021, 4778.04, 4778.07, 4779.091, or 4783.04 of the Revised Code, accompanied by a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any criminal offense in this state or any other state. Subject to division (F) of this section, the superintendent shall send the results of a check requested under section 113.041 of the Revised Code to the treasurer of state and shall send the

results of a check requested under any of the other listed sections to the licensing board specified by the individual in the request.

(10) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 124.74, 718.131, 1121.23, 1315.141, 1733.47, or 1761.26 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any criminal offense under any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States.

(11) On receipt of a request for a criminal records check from an appointing or licensing authority under section 3772.07 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C) (1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner prescribed in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to any offense under any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that makes the person ineligible for appointment or retention under section 3772.07 of the Revised Code or that is a disqualifying offense as defined in that section 3772.07 of the Revised Code or substantially equivalent to such an a disqualifying offense, as applicable.

(12) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 2151.33 or 2151.412 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check with respect to any person for whom a criminal records check is required under that section. The superintendent shall conduct the criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any of the following:

(a) A violation of section 2903.01, 2903.02, 2903.03, 2903.04, 2903.11, 2903.12, 2903.13, 2903.16, 2903.21, 2903.34, 2905.01, 2905.02, 2905.11, 2905.12, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, 2907.08, 2907.09, 2907.12, 2907.25, 2907.31, 2907.32, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2911.01, 2911.02, 2911.11, 2911.12, 2911.13, 2913.02, 2913.03, 2913.04, 2913.11, 2913.21, 2913.31, 2913.40, 2913.43, 2913.47, 2913.51, 2919.25, 2921.36, 2923.12, 2923.13, 2923.161, 2925.02, 2925.03, 2925.11, 2925.13, 2925.22, 2925.23, or 3716.11 of the Revised Code;

(b) An existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in division (A)(12)(a) of this section.

(13) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 3796.12 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in a manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates

that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to the following:

(a) A disqualifying offense as specified in rules adopted under section 9.79 and division (B)(2)(b) of section 3796.03 of the Revised Code if the person who is the subject of the request is an administrator or other person responsible for the daily operation of, or an owner or prospective owner, officer or prospective officer, or board member or prospective board member of, an entity seeking a license from the department of commerce under Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code;

(b) A disqualifying offense as specified in rules adopted under section 9.79 and division (B)(2)(b) of section 3796.04 of the Revised Code if the person who is the subject of the request is an administrator or other person responsible for the daily operation of, or an owner or prospective owner, officer or prospective officer, or board member or prospective board member of, an entity seeking a license from the state board of pharmacy under Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code.

(14) On receipt of a request required by section 3796.13 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in a manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to the following:

(a) A disqualifying offense as specified in rules adopted under division (B)(8)(a) of section 3796.03 of the Revised Code if the person who is the subject of the request is seeking employment with an entity licensed by the department of commerce under Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code;

(b) A disqualifying offense as specified in rules adopted under division (B)(14)(a) of section 3796.04 of the Revised Code if the person who is the subject of the request is seeking employment with an entity licensed by the state board of pharmacy under Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code.

(15) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 4768.06 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists indicating that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any criminal offense in this state or in any other state.

(16) On receipt of a request pursuant to division (B) of section 4764.07 or division (A) of section 4735.143 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists indicating that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any criminal offense in any state or the United States.

(17) On receipt of a request for a criminal records check under section 147.022 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner prescribed in division (C)(2) of this section, the

superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists that indicates that the person who is the subject of the request previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to any criminal offense under any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States.

(18) Upon receipt of a request pursuant to division (F) of section 2915.081 or division (E) of section 2915.082 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section to determine whether any information exists indicating that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to any offense that is a violation of Chapter 2915. of the Revised Code or to any offense under any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to such an offense.

(19) On receipt of a request pursuant to section 3775.03 of the Revised Code, a completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and a set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section, the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall conduct a criminal records check in the manner described in division (B) of this section and shall request information from the federal bureau of investigation to determine whether any information exists indicating that the person who is the subject of the request has been convicted of any offense under any existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is a disqualifying offense as defined in section 3772.07 of the Revised Code.

(B) Subject to division (F) of this section, the superintendent shall conduct any criminal records check to be conducted under this section as follows:

(1) The superintendent shall review or cause to be reviewed any relevant information gathered and compiled by the bureau under division (A) of section 109.57 of the Revised Code that relates to the person who is the subject of the criminal records check, including, if the criminal records check was requested under section 113.041, 121.08, 124.74, 173.27, 173.38, 173.381, 718.131, 928.03, 1121.23, 1315.141, 1321.37, 1321.53, 1733.47, 1761.26, 2151.86, 3301.32, 3301.541, 3319.39, 3740.11, 3712.09, 3721.121, 3772.07, 3775.03, 3796.12, 3796.13, 4729.071, 4729.53, 4729.90, 4729.92, 4749.03, 4749.06, 4763.05, 4764.07, 4768.06, 5104.013, 5164.34, 5164.341, 5164.342, 5123.081, 5123.169, or 5153.111 of the Revised Code, any relevant information contained in records that have been sealed under section 2953.32 of the Revised Code;

(2) If the request received by the superintendent asks for information from the federal bureau of investigation, the superintendent shall request from the federal bureau of investigation any information it has with respect to the person who is the subject of the criminal records check, including fingerprint-based checks of national crime information databases as described in 42 U.S.C. 671 if the request is made pursuant to section 2151.86 or 5104.013 of the Revised Code or if any other Revised Code section requires fingerprint-based checks of that nature, and shall review or cause to be reviewed any information the superintendent receives from that bureau. If a request under section 3319.39 of the Revised Code asks only for information from the federal bureau of investigation, the superintendent shall not conduct the review prescribed by division (B)(1) of this

section.

(3) The superintendent or the superintendent's designee may request criminal history records from other states or the federal government pursuant to the national crime prevention and privacy compact set forth in section 109.571 of the Revised Code.

(4) The superintendent shall include in the results of the criminal records check a list or description of the offenses listed or described in the relevant provision of division (A) of this section. The superintendent shall exclude from the results any information the dissemination of which is prohibited by federal law.

(5) The superintendent shall send the results of the criminal records check to the person to whom it is to be sent not later than the following number of days after the date the superintendent receives the request for the criminal records check, the completed form prescribed under division (C)(1) of this section, and the set of fingerprint impressions obtained in the manner described in division (C)(2) of this section:

(a) If the superintendent is required by division (A) of this section (other than division (A)(3) of this section) to conduct the criminal records check, thirty;

(b) If the superintendent is required by division (A)(3) of this section to conduct the criminal records check, sixty.

(C)(1) The superintendent shall prescribe a form to obtain the information necessary to conduct a criminal records check from any person for whom a criminal records check is to be conducted under this section. The form that the superintendent prescribes pursuant to this division may be in a tangible format, in an electronic format, or in both tangible and electronic formats.

(2) The superintendent shall prescribe standard impression sheets to obtain the fingerprint impressions of any person for whom a criminal records check is to be conducted under this section. Any person for whom a records check is to be conducted under this section shall obtain the fingerprint impressions at a county sheriff's office, municipal police department, or any other entity with the ability to make fingerprint impressions on the standard impression sheets prescribed by the superintendent. The office, department, or entity may charge the person a reasonable fee for making the impressions. The standard impression sheets the superintendent prescribes pursuant to this division may be in a tangible format, in an electronic format, or in both tangible and electronic formats.

(3) Subject to division (D) of this section, the superintendent shall prescribe and charge a reasonable fee for providing a criminal records check under this section. The person requesting the criminal records check shall pay the fee prescribed pursuant to this division. In the case of a request under section 1121.23, 1155.03, 1163.05, 1315.141, 1733.47, 1761.26, 2151.33, 2151.412, or 5164.34 of the Revised Code, the fee shall be paid in the manner specified in that section.

(4) The superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation may prescribe methods of forwarding fingerprint impressions and information necessary to conduct a criminal records check, which methods shall include, but not be limited to, an electronic method.

(D) The results of a criminal records check conducted under this section, other than a criminal records check specified in division (A)(7) of this section, are valid for the person who is the subject of the criminal records check for a period of one year from the date upon which the superintendent completes the criminal records check. If during that period the superintendent

receives another request for a criminal records check to be conducted under this section for that person, the superintendent shall provide the results from the previous criminal records check of the person at a lower fee than the fee prescribed for the initial criminal records check.

(E) When the superintendent receives a request for information from a registered private provider, the superintendent shall proceed as if the request was received from a school district board of education under section 3319.39 of the Revised Code. The superintendent shall apply division (A)(1)(c) of this section to any such request for an applicant who is a teacher.

(F)(1) Subject to division (F)(2) of this section, all information regarding the results of a criminal records check conducted under this section that the superintendent reports or sends under division (A)(7) or (9) of this section to the director of public safety, the treasurer of state, or the person, board, or entity that made the request for the criminal records check shall relate to the conviction of the subject person, or the subject person's plea of guilty to, a criminal offense.

(2) Division (F)(1) of this section does not limit, restrict, or preclude the superintendent's release of information that relates to the arrest of a person who is eighteen years of age or older, to an adjudication of a child as a delinquent child, or to a criminal conviction of a person under eighteen years of age in circumstances in which a release of that nature is authorized under division (E)(2), (3), or (4) of section 109.57 of the Revised Code pursuant to a rule adopted under division (E)(1) of that section.

(G) As used in this section:

(1) "Criminal records check" means any criminal records check conducted by the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation in accordance with division (B) of this section.

(2) "Minor drug possession offense" has the same meaning as in section 2925.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "OVI or OVUAC violation" means a violation of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code or a violation of an existing or former law of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to section 4511.19 of the Revised Code.

(4) "Registered private provider" means a nonpublic school or entity registered with the superintendent of public instruction under section 3310.41 of the Revised Code to participate in the autism scholarship program or section 3310.58 of the Revised Code to participate in the Jon Peterson special needs scholarship program.

Sec. 121.95. (A) As used in this section, "state agency" means an administrative department created under section 121.02 of the Revised Code, an administrative department head appointed under section 121.03 of the Revised Code, and a state agency organized under an administrative department or administrative department head. "State agency" also includes the department of education, the state lottery commission, the Ohio casino control commission, the state racing commission, and the public utilities commission of Ohio. Rules adopted by an otherwise independent official or entity organized under a state agency shall be attributed to the agency under which the official or entity is organized for the purposes of this section.

(B) Not later than December 31, 2019, a state agency shall review its existing rules to identify rules having one or more regulatory restrictions that require or prohibit an action and prepare a base inventory of the regulatory restrictions in its existing rules. Rules that include the words

"shall," "must," "require," "shall not," "may not," and "prohibit" shall be considered to contain regulatory restrictions.

(C) In the base inventory, the state agency shall indicate all of the following concerning each regulatory restriction:

- (1) A description of the regulatory restriction;
- (2) The rule number of the rule in which the regulatory restriction appears;
- (3) The statute under which the regulatory restriction was adopted;
- (4) Whether state or federal law expressly and specifically requires the agency to adopt the regulatory restriction or the agency adopted the regulatory restriction under the agency's general authority;

(5) Whether removing the regulatory restriction would require a change to state or federal law, provided that removing a regulatory restriction adopted under a law granting the agency general authority shall be presumed not to require a change to state or federal law;

(6) Any other information the joint committee on agency rule review considers necessary.

(D) The state agency shall compute and state the total number of regulatory restrictions indicated in the base inventory, shall post the base inventory on its web site, and shall electronically transmit a copy of the inventory to the joint committee. The joint committee shall review the base inventory, then transmit it electronically to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate.

(E) The following types of rules or regulatory restrictions are not required to be included in a state agency's inventory of regulatory restrictions:

- (1) An internal management rule;
- (2) An emergency rule;
- (3) A rule that state or federal law requires the state agency to adopt verbatim;
- (4) A regulatory restriction contained in materials or documents incorporated by reference into a rule pursuant to sections 121.71 to 121.75 of the Revised Code;
- (5) A rule adopted pursuant to section 1347.15 of the Revised Code;
- (6) A rule concerning instant lottery games;
- (7) A rule adopted by the Ohio casino control commission or the state lottery commission concerning sports gaming;

(8) Any other rule that is not subject to review under Chapter 106. of the Revised Code.

(F) ~~Beginning on the effective date of this section, October 17, 2019,~~ and ending on June 30, 2023, a state agency may not adopt a new regulatory restriction unless it simultaneously removes two or more other existing regulatory restrictions. The state agency may not satisfy this section by merging two or more existing regulatory restrictions into a single surviving regulatory restriction.

Sec. 718.031. As used in this section, "sports gaming facility" and "type B sports gaming proprietor" have the same meanings as in section 3775.01 of the Revised Code and "lottery sports gaming" has the same meaning as in section 3770.23 of the Revised Code.

~~(A) A municipal corporation shall require a casino facility or a casino operator, as defined in Section 6(C)(9) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, and section 3772.01 of the Revised Code, respectively, or a lottery sales agent conducting video lottery terminals on behalf of the state the following persons to withhold and remit municipal income tax with respect to amounts other than~~

qualifying wages as provided in this section:

(1) A casino facility or a casino operator, as defined in Section 6(C)(9) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, and section 3772.01 of the Revised Code, respectively;

(2) A lottery sales agent conducting video lottery terminals on behalf of the state;

(3) A type B sports gaming proprietor offering sports gaming at a sports gaming facility.

(B) If a person's winnings at a casino facility or sports gaming facility are an amount for which reporting to the internal revenue service of the amount is required by section 6041 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, ~~the a~~ casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall deduct and withhold municipal income tax from the person's winnings at the rate of the tax imposed by the municipal corporation in which the casino facility or sports gaming facility is located.

(C) Amounts deducted and withheld by a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor are held in trust for the benefit of the municipal corporation to which the tax is owed.

(1) On or before the tenth day of each month, the casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall file a return electronically with the tax administrator of the municipal corporation, providing the name, address, and social security number of the person from whose winnings amounts were deducted and withheld, the amount of each such deduction and withholding during the preceding calendar month, the amount of the winnings from which each such amount was withheld, the type of casino gaming or sports gaming that resulted in such winnings, and any other information required by the tax administrator. With this return, the casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall remit electronically to the municipal corporation all amounts deducted and withheld during the preceding month.

(2) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall file an annual return electronically with the tax administrator of the municipal corporation in which the casino facility or sports gaming facility is located, indicating the total amount deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year. The casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall remit electronically with the annual return any amount that was deducted and withheld and that was not previously remitted. If the name, address, or social security number of a person or the amount deducted and withheld with respect to that person was omitted on a monthly return for that reporting period, that information shall be indicated on the annual return.

(3) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall issue an information return to each person with respect to whom an amount has been deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year. The information return shall show the total amount of municipal income tax deducted from the person's winnings during the preceding year. The casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall provide to the tax administrator a copy of each information return issued under this division. The administrator may require that such copies be transmitted electronically.

(4) A casino operator or sports gaming proprietor that fails to file a return and remit the amounts deducted and withheld shall be personally liable for the amount withheld and not remitted. Such personal liability extends to any penalty and interest imposed for the late filing of a return or the late payment of tax deducted and withheld.

(5) If a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor sells the casino facility or sports gaming facility, or otherwise quits the casino or sports gaming business, the amounts deducted and withheld

along with any penalties and interest thereon are immediately due and payable. The successor shall withhold an amount of the purchase money that is sufficient to cover the amounts deducted and withheld along with any penalties and interest thereon until the predecessor casino operator or sports gaming proprietor produces either of the following:

(a) A receipt from the tax administrator showing that the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon have been paid;

(b) A certificate from the tax administrator indicating that no amounts are due.

If the successor fails to withhold purchase money, the successor is personally liable for the payment of the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon.

(6) The failure of a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor to deduct and withhold the required amount from a person's winnings does not relieve that person from liability for the municipal income tax with respect to those winnings.

(D) If a person's prize award from a video lottery terminal or from lottery sports gaming offered in a video lottery terminal facility is an amount for which reporting to the internal revenue service is required by section 6041 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, the video lottery sales agent shall deduct and withhold municipal income tax from the person's prize award at the rate of the tax imposed by the municipal corporation in which the video lottery terminal facility is located.

(E) Amounts deducted and withheld by a video lottery sales agent are held in trust for the benefit of the municipal corporation to which the tax is owed.

(1) The video lottery sales agent shall issue to a person from whose prize award an amount has been deducted and withheld a receipt for the amount deducted and withheld, and shall obtain from the person receiving a prize award the person's name, address, and social security number in order to facilitate the preparation of returns required by this section.

(2) On or before the tenth day of each month, the video lottery sales agent shall file a return electronically with the tax administrator of the municipal corporation providing the names, addresses, and social security numbers of the persons from whose prize awards amounts were deducted and withheld, the amount of each such deduction and withholding during the preceding calendar month, the amount of the prize award from which each such amount was withheld, and any other information required by the tax administrator. With the return, the video lottery sales agent shall remit electronically to the tax administrator all amounts deducted and withheld during the preceding month.

(3) A video lottery sales agent shall maintain a record of all receipts issued under division (E) of this section and shall make those records available to the tax administrator upon request. Such records shall be maintained in accordance with section 5747.17 of the Revised Code and any rules adopted pursuant thereto.

(4) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, each video lottery terminal sales agent shall file an annual return electronically with the tax administrator of the municipal corporation in which the facility is located indicating the total amount deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year. The video lottery sales agent shall remit electronically with the annual return any amount that was deducted and withheld and that was not previously remitted. If the name, address, or social security number of a person or the amount deducted and withheld with respect to that person was omitted on a monthly return for that reporting period, that information shall be

indicated on the annual return.

(5) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a video lottery sales agent shall issue an information return to each person with respect to whom an amount has been deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year. The information return shall show the total amount of municipal income tax deducted and withheld from the person's prize award by the video lottery sales agent during the preceding year. A video lottery sales agent shall provide to the tax administrator of the municipal corporation a copy of each information return issued under this division. The tax administrator may require that such copies be transmitted electronically.

(6) A video lottery sales agent who fails to file a return and remit the amounts deducted and withheld is personally liable for the amount deducted and withheld and not remitted. Such personal liability extends to any penalty and interest imposed for the late filing of a return or the late payment of tax deducted and withheld.

(F) If a video lottery sales agent ceases to operate video lottery terminals, the amounts deducted and withheld along with any penalties and interest thereon are immediately due and payable. The successor of the video lottery sales agent that purchases the video lottery terminals from the agent shall withhold an amount from the purchase money that is sufficient to cover the amounts deducted and withheld and any penalties and interest thereon until the predecessor video lottery sales agent operator produces either of the following:

(1) A receipt from the tax administrator showing that the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon have been paid;

(2) A certificate from the tax administrator indicating that no amounts are due.

If the successor fails to withhold purchase money, the successor is personally liable for the payment of the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon.

(G) The failure of a video lottery sales agent to deduct and withhold the required amount from a person's prize award does not relieve that person from liability for the municipal income tax with respect to that prize award.

(H) If a casino operator, sports gaming proprietor, or lottery sales agent files a return late, fails to file a return, remits amounts deducted and withheld late, or fails to remit amounts deducted and withheld as required under this section, the tax administrator of a municipal corporation may impose the following applicable penalty:

(1) For the late remittance of, or failure to remit, tax deducted and withheld under this section, a penalty equal to fifty per cent of the tax deducted and withheld;

(2) For the failure to file, or the late filing of, a monthly or annual return, a penalty of five hundred dollars for each return not filed or filed late. Interest shall accrue on past due amounts deducted and withheld at the rate prescribed in section 5703.47 of the Revised Code.

(I) Amounts deducted and withheld on behalf of a municipal corporation shall be allowed as a credit against payment of the tax imposed by the municipal corporation and shall be treated as taxes paid for purposes of section 718.08 of the Revised Code. This division applies only to the person for whom the amount is deducted and withheld.

(J) The tax administrator shall prescribe the forms of the receipts and returns required under this section.

Sec. 718.08. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Estimated taxes" means the amount that the taxpayer reasonably estimates to be the taxpayer's tax liability for a municipal corporation's income tax for the current taxable year.

(2) "Tax liability" means the total taxes due to a municipal corporation for the taxable year, after allowing any credit to which the taxpayer is entitled, and after applying any estimated tax payment, withholding payment, or credit from another taxable year.

(B)(1) Except as provided in division (F) of this section, every taxpayer shall make a declaration of estimated taxes for the current taxable year, on the form prescribed by the tax administrator, if the amount payable as estimated taxes is at least two hundred dollars. For the purposes of this section:

(a) Taxes withheld from qualifying wages shall be considered as paid to the municipal corporation for which the taxes were withheld in equal amounts on each payment date unless the taxpayer establishes the dates on which all amounts were actually withheld, in which case the amounts withheld shall be considered as paid on the dates on which the amounts were actually withheld.

(b) An overpayment of tax applied as a credit to a subsequent taxable year is deemed to be paid on the date of the postmark stamped on the cover in which the payment is mailed or, if the payment is made by electronic funds transfer, the date the payment is submitted. As used in this division, "date of the postmark" means, in the event there is more than one date on the cover, the earliest date imprinted on the cover by the postal service.

(c) Taxes withheld by a casino operator ~~or by a~~ video lottery sales agent, or type B sports gaming proprietor under section 718.031 of the Revised Code are deemed to be paid to the municipal corporation for which the taxes were withheld on the date the taxes are withheld from the taxpayer's winnings.

(2) Except as provided in division (F) of this section, taxpayers filing joint returns shall file joint declarations of estimated taxes. A taxpayer may amend a declaration under rules prescribed by the tax administrator. Except as provided in division (F) of this section, a taxpayer having a taxable year of less than twelve months shall make a declaration under rules prescribed by the tax administrator.

(3) The declaration of estimated taxes shall be filed on or before the date prescribed for the filing of municipal income tax returns under division (G) of section 718.05 of the Revised Code or on or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month after the taxpayer becomes subject to tax for the first time.

(4) Taxpayers reporting on a fiscal year basis shall file a declaration on or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month after the beginning of each fiscal year or period.

(5) The original declaration or any subsequent amendment may be increased or decreased on or before any subsequent quarterly payment day as provided in this section.

(C)(1) The required portion of the tax liability for the taxable year that shall be paid through estimated taxes made payable to the municipal corporation or tax administrator, including the application of tax refunds to estimated taxes and withholding on or before the applicable payment date, shall be as follows:

(a) On or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month after the beginning of the taxable year, twenty-two and one-half per cent of the tax liability for the taxable year;

(b) On or before the fifteenth day of the sixth month after the beginning of the taxable year, forty-five per cent of the tax liability for the taxable year;

(c) On or before the fifteenth day of the ninth month after the beginning of the taxable year, sixty-seven and one-half per cent of the tax liability for the taxable year;

(d) For an individual, on or before the fifteenth day of the first month of the following taxable year, ninety per cent of the tax liability for the taxable year. For a person other than an individual, on or before the fifteenth day of the twelfth month of the taxable year, ninety per cent of the tax liability for the taxable year.

(2) When an amended declaration has been filed, the unpaid balance shown due on the amended declaration shall be paid in equal installments on or before the remaining payment dates.

(3) On or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month of the year following that for which the declaration or amended declaration was filed, an annual return shall be filed and any balance which may be due shall be paid with the return in accordance with section 718.05 of the Revised Code.

(D)(1) In the case of any underpayment of any portion of a tax liability, penalty and interest may be imposed pursuant to section 718.27 of the Revised Code upon the amount of underpayment for the period of underpayment, unless the underpayment is due to reasonable cause as described in division (E) of this section. The amount of the underpayment shall be determined as follows:

(a) For the first payment of estimated taxes each year, twenty-two and one-half per cent of the tax liability, less the amount of taxes paid by the date prescribed for that payment;

(b) For the second payment of estimated taxes each year, forty-five per cent of the tax liability, less the amount of taxes paid by the date prescribed for that payment;

(c) For the third payment of estimated taxes each year, sixty-seven and one-half per cent of the tax liability, less the amount of taxes paid by the date prescribed for that payment;

(d) For the fourth payment of estimated taxes each year, ninety per cent of the tax liability, less the amount of taxes paid by the date prescribed for that payment.

(2) The period of the underpayment shall run from the day the estimated payment was required to be made to the date on which the payment is made. For purposes of this section, a payment of estimated taxes on or before any payment date shall be considered a payment of any previous underpayment only to the extent the payment of estimated taxes exceeds the amount of the payment presently required to be paid to avoid any penalty.

(E) An underpayment of any portion of tax liability determined under division (D) of this section shall be due to reasonable cause and the penalty imposed by this section shall not be added to the taxes for the taxable year if any of the following apply:

(1) The amount of estimated taxes that were paid equals at least ninety per cent of the tax liability for the current taxable year, determined by annualizing the income received during the year up to the end of the month immediately preceding the month in which the payment is due.

(2) The amount of estimated taxes that were paid equals at least one hundred per cent of the tax liability shown on the return of the taxpayer for the preceding taxable year, provided that the immediately preceding taxable year reflected a period of twelve months and the taxpayer filed a return with the municipal corporation under section 718.05 of the Revised Code for that year.

(3) The taxpayer is an individual who resides in the municipal corporation but was not domiciled there on the first day of January of the calendar year that includes the first day of the

taxable year.

(F)(1) A tax administrator may waive the requirement for filing a declaration of estimated taxes for any class of taxpayers after finding that the waiver is reasonable and proper in view of administrative costs and other factors.

(2) A municipal corporation may, by ordinance or rule, waive the requirement for filing a declaration of estimated taxes for all taxpayers.

Sec. 2915.081. (A) No distributor shall sell, offer to sell, or otherwise provide or offer to provide bingo supplies to another person, or modify, convert, add to, or remove parts from bingo supplies to further their promotion or sale, for use in this state without having obtained a license from the attorney general under this section.

(B)(1) The attorney general may issue a distributor license to any person that meets the requirements of this section. The application for the license shall be on a form prescribed by the attorney general and be accompanied by the annual fee prescribed by this section. The license is valid for a period of one year, and the annual fee for the license is five thousand dollars.

(2) Upon applying for or renewing a license under this section, an applicant shall file with and have approved by the attorney general a bond in which the applicant shall be the principal obligor, in the sum of fifty thousand dollars, with one or more sureties authorized to do business in this state. The applicant shall maintain the bond in effect as long as the license is valid; however, the liability of the surety under the bond shall not exceed an all-time aggregate liability of fifty thousand dollars. The bond, which may be in the form of a rider to a larger blanket liability bond, shall run to the state and to any person who may have a cause of action against the principal obligor of the bond for any liability arising out of a violation by the obligor of any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted pursuant to this chapter.

(C) The attorney general may refuse to issue a distributor license to any person to which any of the following applies, or to any person that has an officer, partner, or other person who has an ownership interest of ten per cent or more and to whom any of the following applies:

(1) The person, officer, or partner has been convicted of a disqualifying offense as determined in accordance with section 9.79 of the Revised Code.

(2) The person, officer, or partner has made an incorrect or false statement that is material to the granting of a license in an application submitted to the attorney general under this section or in a similar application submitted to a gambling licensing authority in another jurisdiction if the statement resulted in license revocation through administrative action in the other jurisdiction.

(3) The person, officer, or partner has submitted any incorrect or false information relating to the application to the attorney general under this section, if the information is material to the granting of the license.

(4) The person, officer, or partner has failed to correct any incorrect or false information that is material to the granting of the license in the records required to be maintained under division (F) of section 2915.10 of the Revised Code.

(5) The person, officer, or partner has had a license related to gambling revoked or suspended under the laws of this state, another state, or the United States.

(6) The attorney general has good cause to believe that a person, officer, or partner has committed a breach of fiduciary duty, theft, or other type of misconduct related to a charitable

organization that has obtained a bingo license issued under this chapter.

(D) The attorney general shall not issue a distributor license to any person that is involved in the conduct of bingo on behalf of a charitable organization or that is a lessor of premises used for the conduct of bingo. This division does not prohibit a distributor from advising charitable organizations on the use and benefit of specific bingo supplies or prohibit a distributor from advising a customer on operational methods to improve bingo profitability.

(E)(1) No distributor shall sell, offer to sell, or otherwise provide or offer to provide bingo supplies to any person, or modify, convert, add to, or remove parts from bingo supplies to further their promotion or sale, for use in this state except to or for the use of a charitable organization that has been issued a license under section 2915.08 of the Revised Code or to another distributor that has been issued a license under this section. No distributor shall accept payment for the sale or other provision of bingo supplies other than by check or electronic fund transfer.

(2) No distributor may donate, give, loan, lease, or otherwise provide any bingo supplies or equipment, or modify, convert, add to, or remove parts from bingo supplies to further their promotion or sale, to or for the use of a charitable organization for use in a bingo session conditioned on or in consideration for an exclusive right to provide bingo supplies to the charitable organization. A distributor may provide a licensed charitable organization with free samples of the distributor's products to be used as prizes or to be used for the purpose of sampling.

(3) No distributor shall purchase bingo supplies for use in this state from any person except from a manufacturer issued a license under section 2915.082 of the Revised Code or from another distributor issued a license under this section. Subject to division (D) of section 2915.082 of the Revised Code, no distributor shall pay for purchased bingo supplies other than by check or electronic fund transfer.

(4) No distributor shall participate in the conduct of bingo on behalf of a charitable organization or have any direct or indirect ownership interest in a premises used for the conduct of bingo.

(5) No distributor shall knowingly solicit, offer, pay, or receive any kickback, bribe, or undocumented rebate, directly or indirectly, overtly or covertly, in cash or in kind, in return for providing bingo supplies to any person in this state.

(F)(1) No distributor shall knowingly sell, offer to sell, or otherwise provide or offer to provide an electronic instant bingo system to any person for use in this state, or install, maintain, update, or repair an electronic instant bingo system, without first obtaining an electronic instant bingo distributor endorsement to the person's distributor license issued under this section. An applicant for a distributor license under this section may apply simultaneously for an electronic instant bingo distributor endorsement to that license. ~~Any individual who installs, maintains, updates, or repairs an electronic instant bingo system also shall hold an appropriate and valid occupational license issued by the Ohio casino control commission under Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code.~~

(2) An applicant for an electronic instant bingo distributor endorsement shall submit the application on a form prescribed by the attorney general and shall submit one complete set of fingerprints directly to the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation for the purpose of conducting a criminal records check. The applicant shall provide the fingerprints using a method the superintendent prescribes pursuant to division (C)(2) of section 109.572 of the

Revised Code and shall fill out the form the superintendent prescribes pursuant to division (C)(1) of that section. Upon receiving an application for an electronic instant bingo distributor endorsement, the attorney general shall request the superintendent, or a vendor approved by the bureau, to conduct a criminal records check based on the applicant's fingerprint impressions in accordance with division (A)(18) of that section. The applicant shall pay any fee required under division (C)(3) of that section.

(3) The attorney general shall not issue an electronic instant bingo distributor endorsement to an applicant unless the attorney general has received the results of the criminal records check described in division (F)(2) of this section. The attorney general shall not issue an electronic instant bingo distributor endorsement to an applicant if the applicant, any officer or partner of the applicant, or any person who has an ownership interest of ten per cent or more in the applicant has violated any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted by the attorney general under this chapter or has violated any existing or former law or rule of this state, any other state, or the United States that is substantially equivalent to any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted by the attorney general under this chapter.

(4) An electronic instant bingo distributor endorsement issued under this section shall be valid for the period of the underlying distributor license.

(G) The attorney general may suspend, place limits, restrictions, or probationary conditions on, or revoke a distributor license or an electronic instant bingo distributor endorsement, for a limited or indefinite period of time at the attorney general's discretion, for any of the following reasons:

(1) Any reason for which the attorney general may refuse to issue the license or endorsement;
(2) The distributor holding the license or endorsement violates any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted by the attorney general under this chapter;

(3) The distributor or any officer, partner, or other person who has an ownership interest of ten per cent or more in the distributor is convicted of either of the following:

- (a) A felony under the laws of this state, another state, or the United States;
- (b) Any gambling offense.

(H) The attorney general may adopt rules for the application, acceptance, denial, suspension, revocation, limitation, restriction, or condition of a distributor license or endorsement, and to enforce any other provisions of this section, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(I) The attorney general may impose a civil fine on a distributor licensed or permitted under this chapter for failure to comply with any restrictions, limits, or probationary conditions on its license, or for failure to comply with this chapter or any rule adopted under this chapter, according to a schedule of fines that the attorney general shall adopt in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(J) Whoever violates division (A), (E), or (F) of this section is guilty of illegally operating as a distributor. Except as otherwise provided in this division, illegally operating as a distributor is a misdemeanor of the first degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of a violation of division (A), (E), or (F) of this section, illegally operating as a distributor is a felony of the fifth degree.

Sec. 2935.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Magistrate" has the same meaning as in section 2931.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Peace officer" includes, except as provided in section 2935.081 of the Revised Code, a

sheriff; deputy sheriff; marshal; deputy marshal; member of the organized police department of any municipal corporation, including a member of the organized police department of a municipal corporation in an adjoining state serving in Ohio under a contract pursuant to section 737.04 of the Revised Code; member of a police force employed by a metropolitan housing authority under division (D) of section 3735.31 of the Revised Code; member of a police force employed by a regional transit authority under division (Y) of section 306.05 of the Revised Code; state university law enforcement officer appointed under section 3345.04 of the Revised Code; enforcement agent of the department of public safety designated under section 5502.14 of the Revised Code; employee of the department of taxation to whom investigation powers have been delegated under section 5743.45 of the Revised Code; employee of the department of natural resources who is a natural resources law enforcement staff officer designated pursuant to section 1501.013 of the Revised Code, a forest-fire investigator appointed pursuant to section 1503.09 of the Revised Code, a natural resources officer appointed pursuant to section 1501.24 of the Revised Code, or a wildlife officer designated pursuant to section 1531.13 of the Revised Code; individual designated to perform law enforcement duties under section 511.232, 1545.13, or 6101.75 of the Revised Code; veterans' home police officer appointed under section 5907.02 of the Revised Code; special police officer employed by a port authority under section 4582.04 or 4582.28 of the Revised Code; police constable of any township; police officer of a township or joint police district; a special police officer employed by a municipal corporation at a municipal airport, or other municipal air navigation facility, that has scheduled operations, as defined in section 119.3 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 14 C.F.R. 119.3, as amended, and that is required to be under a security program and is governed by aviation security rules of the transportation security administration of the United States department of transportation as provided in Parts 1542. and 1544. of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended; the house of representatives sergeant at arms if the house of representatives sergeant at arms has arrest authority pursuant to division (E)(1) of section 101.311 of the Revised Code; an assistant house of representatives sergeant at arms; the senate sergeant at arms; an assistant senate sergeant at arms; officer or employee of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation established pursuant to section 109.51 of the Revised Code who has been awarded a certificate by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission attesting to the officer's or employee's satisfactory completion of an approved state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources peace officer basic training program and who is providing assistance upon request to a law enforcement officer or emergency assistance to a peace officer pursuant to section 109.54 or 109.541 of the Revised Code; a state fire marshal law enforcement officer described in division (A)(23) of section 109.71 of the Revised Code; a gaming agent, as defined in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code; and, for the purpose of arrests within those areas, for the purposes of Chapter 5503. of the Revised Code, and the filing of and service of process relating to those offenses witnessed or investigated by them, the superintendent and troopers of the state highway patrol.

(C) "Prosecutor" includes the county prosecuting attorney and any assistant prosecutor designated to assist the county prosecuting attorney, and, in the case of courts inferior to courts of common pleas, includes the village solicitor, city director of law, or similar chief legal officer of a municipal corporation, any such officer's assistants, or any attorney designated by the prosecuting attorney of the county to appear for the prosecution of a given case.

(D) "Offense," except where the context specifically indicates otherwise, includes felonies, misdemeanors, and violations of ordinances of municipal corporations and other public bodies authorized by law to adopt penal regulations.

Sec. 3123.89. (A) Subject to section 3770.071 of the Revised Code, a child support enforcement agency that determines that an obligor who is the recipient of a lottery prize award is subject to a final and enforceable determination of default made under sections 3123.01 to 3123.07 of the Revised Code shall issue an intercept directive to the director of the state lottery commission. A copy of this intercept directive shall be sent to the obligor.

(B) The intercept directive shall require the director or the director's designee to transmit an amount or amounts from the proceeds of the specified lottery prize award to the office of child support in the department of job and family services. The intercept directive also shall contain all of the following information:

(1) The name, address, and social security number or taxpayer identification number of the obligor;

(2) A statement that the obligor has been determined to be in default under a support order;

(3) The amount of the arrearage owed by the obligor as determined by the agency.

(C) After receipt of an intercept directive and in accordance with section 3770.071 of the Revised Code, the director or the director's designee shall deduct the amount or amounts specified from the proceeds of the lottery prize award referred to in the directive and transmit the amounts to the office of child support.

(D) The department of job and family services shall develop and implement a real time data match program with the state lottery commission and its lottery sales agents and lottery agents to identify obligors who are subject to a final and enforceable determination of default made under sections 3123.01 to 3123.07 of the Revised Code in accordance with section 3770.071 of the Revised Code.

(E) Upon the data match program's implementation, the department, in consultation with the commission, shall promulgate rules to facilitate withholding, in appropriate circumstances, by the commission or its lottery sales agents or lottery agents of an amount sufficient to satisfy any past due support owed by an obligor from a lottery prize award owed to the obligor up to the amount of the award. The rules shall describe an expedited method for withholding, and the time frame for transmission of the amount withheld to the department.

(F) As used in this section, "lottery prize award" has the same meaning as in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3123.90. (A) As used in this section, ~~"casino:~~

(1) "Casino facility," "casino operator," and "management company" have the meanings defined in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Sports gaming proprietor" has the meaning defined in section 3775.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The department of job and family services shall develop and implement a real time data match program with each casino facility's casino operator or management company and with each sports gaming proprietor to identify obligors who are subject to a final and enforceable determination of default made under sections 3123.01 to 3123.07 of the Revised Code.

(C) Upon the data match program's implementation, if a ~~person's person~~ receives a payout of winnings at a casino facility ~~are or from sports gaming in~~ an amount for which reporting to the internal revenue service of the amount is required by section 6041 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, the casino operator ~~or~~ management company, or sports gaming proprietor shall refer to the data match program to determine if the person entitled to the winnings is in default under a support order. If the data match program indicates that the person is in default, the casino operator ~~or~~ management company, or sports gaming proprietor shall withhold from the person's winnings an amount sufficient to satisfy any past due support owed by the obligor identified in the data match up to the amount of the winnings.

(D) Not later than ~~seven~~ fourteen days after withholding the amount, the casino operator ~~or~~ management company, or sports gaming proprietor shall transmit any amount withheld to the department as payment on the support obligation.

(E) The department, in consultation with the Ohio casino control commission, may adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as are necessary for implementation of this section.

Sec. 3770.03. (A) The state lottery commission shall promulgate rules under which a statewide lottery may be conducted, which includes, and since the original enactment of this section has included, the authority for the commission to operate video lottery terminal games. Any reference in this chapter to tickets shall not be construed to in any way limit the authority of the commission to operate video lottery terminal games or lottery sports gaming. Nothing in this chapter shall restrict the authority of the commission to promulgate rules related to the operation of games utilizing video lottery terminals as described in section 3770.21 of the Revised Code. The rules shall be promulgated pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, except that instant game rules shall be promulgated pursuant to section 111.15 of the Revised Code but are not subject to division (D) of that section. Subjects covered in these rules shall include, but need not be limited to, the following:

- (1) The type of lottery to be conducted;
- (2) The prices of tickets in the lottery;
- (3) The number, nature, and value of prize awards, the manner and frequency of prize drawings, and the manner in which prizes shall be awarded to holders of winning tickets.

(B) The commission shall promulgate rules, in addition to those described in division (A) of this section, pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code under which a statewide lottery and statewide joint lottery games may be conducted. Subjects covered in these rules shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) The locations at which lottery tickets may be sold and the manner in which they are to be sold. These rules may authorize the sale of lottery tickets by commission personnel or other licensed individuals from traveling show wagons at the state fair, and at any other expositions the director of the commission considers acceptable. These rules shall prohibit commission personnel or other licensed individuals from soliciting from an exposition the right to sell lottery tickets at that exposition, but shall allow commission personnel or other licensed individuals to sell lottery tickets at an exposition if the exposition requests commission personnel or licensed individuals to do so. These rules may also address the accessibility of sales agent locations to commission products in accordance with the "Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990," 104 Stat. 327, 42 U.S.C.A. 12101 et seq.

(2) The manner in which lottery sales revenues are to be collected, including authorization for the director to impose penalties for failure by lottery sales agents to transfer revenues to the commission in a timely manner;

(3) The amount of compensation to be paid to licensed lottery sales agents;

(4) The substantive criteria for the licensing of lottery sales agents consistent with section 3770.05 of the Revised Code, and procedures for revoking or suspending their licenses consistent with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. If circumstances, such as the nonpayment of funds owed by a lottery sales agent, or other circumstances related to the public safety, convenience, or trust, require immediate action, the director may suspend a license without affording an opportunity for a prior hearing under section 119.07 of the Revised Code.

(5) Special game rules to implement any agreements signed by the governor that the director enters into with other lottery jurisdictions under division (J) of section 3770.02 of the Revised Code to conduct statewide joint lottery games. The rules shall require that the entire net proceeds of those games that remain, after associated operating expenses, prize disbursements, lottery sales agent bonuses, commissions, and reimbursements, and any other expenses necessary to comply with the agreements or the rules are deducted from the gross proceeds of those games, be transferred to the lottery profits education fund under division (B) of section 3770.06 of the Revised Code.

(6) Any other subjects the commission determines are necessary for the operation of video lottery terminal games, including the establishment of any fees, fines, payment schedules, or the establishment of a voluntary exclusion program.

(C) Chapter 2915. of the Revised Code does not apply to, affect, or prohibit lotteries conducted pursuant to this chapter.

(D) The commission may promulgate rules, in addition to those described in divisions (A) and (B) of this section, that establish standards governing the display of advertising and celebrity images on lottery tickets and on other items that are used in the conduct of, or to promote, the statewide lottery and statewide joint lottery games. Any revenue derived from the sale of advertising displayed on lottery tickets and on those other items shall be considered, for purposes of section 3770.06 of the Revised Code, to be related proceeds in connection with the statewide lottery or gross proceeds from statewide joint lottery games, as applicable.

(E)(1) The commission shall meet with the director at least once each month and shall convene other meetings at the request of the chairperson or any five of the members. No action taken by the commission shall be binding unless at least five of the members present vote in favor of the action. A written record shall be made of the proceedings of each meeting and shall be transmitted forthwith to the governor, the president of the senate, the senate minority leader, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the house minority leader.

(2) The director shall present to the commission a report each month, showing the total revenues, prize disbursements, and operating expenses of the state lottery for the preceding month. As soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year, the commission shall prepare and transmit to the governor and the general assembly a report of lottery revenues, prize disbursements, and operating expenses for the preceding fiscal year and any recommendations for legislation considered necessary by the commission.

Sec. 3770.06. (A) There is hereby created the state lottery gross revenue fund, which shall be

in the custody of the treasurer of state but shall not be part of the state treasury. All gross revenues received from sales of lottery tickets, fines, fees, and related proceeds in connection with the statewide lottery, all gross proceeds of lottery sports gaming described in sections 3770.23 to 3770.25 of the Revised Code, and all gross proceeds from statewide joint lottery games shall be deposited into the fund. The treasurer of state shall invest any portion of the fund not needed for immediate use in the same manner as, and subject to all provisions of law with respect to the investment of, state funds. The treasurer of state shall disburse money from the fund on order of the director of the state lottery commission or the director's designee.

Except for gross proceeds from statewide joint lottery games, all revenues of the state lottery gross revenue fund that are not paid to holders of winning lottery tickets, that are not required to meet short-term prize liabilities, that are not credited to lottery sales agents in the form of bonuses, commissions, or reimbursements, that are not paid to financial institutions to reimburse those institutions for sales agent nonsufficient funds, and that are collected from sales agents for remittance to insurers under contract to provide sales agent bonding services shall be transferred to the state lottery fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury. In addition, all revenues of the state lottery gross revenue fund that represent the gross proceeds from the statewide joint lottery games and that are not paid to holders of winning lottery tickets, that are not required to meet short-term prize liabilities, that are not credited to lottery sales agents in the form of bonuses, commissions, or reimbursements, and that are not necessary to cover operating expenses associated with those games or to otherwise comply with the agreements signed by the governor that the director enters into under division (J) of section 3770.02 of the Revised Code or the rules the commission adopts under division (B)(5) of section 3770.03 of the Revised Code shall be transferred to the state lottery fund. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys shall be disbursed from the fund pursuant to vouchers approved by the director. Total disbursements for monetary prize awards to holders of winning lottery tickets in connection with the statewide lottery, other than lottery sports gaming, and purchases of goods and services awarded as prizes to holders of winning lottery tickets shall be of an amount equal to at least fifty per cent of the total revenue accruing from the sale of lottery tickets.

(B) Pursuant to Section 6 of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, there is hereby established in the state treasury the lottery profits education fund. Whenever, in the judgment of the director of the state lottery commission, the amount to the credit of the state lottery fund that does not represent proceeds from statewide joint lottery games is in excess of that needed to meet the maturing obligations of the commission and as working capital for its further operations, the director of the state lottery commission shall recommend the amount of the excess to be transferred to the lottery profits education fund, and the director of budget and management may transfer the excess to the lottery profits education fund in connection with the statewide lottery. In addition, whenever, in the judgment of the director of the state lottery commission, the amount to the credit of the state lottery fund that represents proceeds from statewide joint lottery games equals the entire net proceeds of those games as described in division (B)(5) of section 3770.03 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted under that division, the director of the state lottery commission shall recommend the amount of the proceeds to be transferred to the lottery profits education fund, and the director of budget and management may transfer those proceeds to the lottery profits education fund. Investment earnings of

the lottery profits education fund shall be credited to the fund.

The lottery profits education fund shall be used solely for the support of elementary, secondary, vocational, and special education programs as determined in appropriations made by the general assembly, or as provided in applicable bond proceedings for the payment of debt service on obligations issued to pay costs of capital facilities, including those for a system of common schools throughout the state pursuant to section 2n of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution. When determining the availability of money in the lottery profits education fund, the director of budget and management may consider all balances and estimated revenues of the fund.

(C) There is hereby established in the state treasury the deferred prizes trust fund. With the approval of the director of budget and management, an amount sufficient to fund annuity prizes shall be transferred from the state lottery fund and credited to the trust fund. The treasurer of state shall credit all earnings arising from investments purchased under this division to the trust fund. Within sixty days after the end of each fiscal year, the treasurer of state shall certify to the director of budget and management whether the actuarial amount of the trust fund is sufficient over the fund's life for continued funding of all remaining deferred prize liabilities as of the last day of the fiscal year just ended. Also, within that sixty days, the director of budget and management shall certify the amount of investment earnings necessary to have been credited to the trust fund during the fiscal year just ending to provide for such continued funding of deferred prizes. Any earnings credited in excess of the latter certified amount shall be transferred to the lottery profits education fund.

To provide all or a part of the amounts necessary to fund deferred prizes awarded by the commission in connection with the statewide lottery, the treasurer of state, in consultation with the commission, may invest moneys contained in the deferred prizes trust fund which represents proceeds from the statewide lottery in obligations of the type permitted for the investment of state funds but whose maturities are thirty years or less. Notwithstanding the requirements of any other section of the Revised Code, to provide all or part of the amounts necessary to fund deferred prizes awarded by the commission in connection with statewide joint lottery games, the treasurer of state, in consultation with the commission, may invest moneys in the trust fund which represent proceeds derived from the statewide joint lottery games in accordance with the rules the commission adopts under division (B)(5) of section 3770.03 of the Revised Code. Investments of the trust fund are not subject to the provisions of division (A)(11) of section 135.143 of the Revised Code limiting to twenty-five per cent the amount of the state's total average portfolio that may be invested in debt interests other than commercial paper and limiting to five per cent the amount that may be invested in debt interests, including commercial paper, of a single issuer.

All purchases made under this division shall be effected on a delivery versus payment method and shall be in the custody of the treasurer of state.

The treasurer of state may retain an investment advisor, if necessary. The commission shall pay any costs incurred by the treasurer of state in retaining an investment advisor.

(D) The auditor of state shall conduct annual audits of all funds and any other audits as the auditor of state or the general assembly considers necessary. The auditor of state may examine all records, files, and other documents of the commission, and records of lottery sales agents that pertain to their activities as agents, for purposes of conducting authorized audits.

(E) The state lottery commission shall establish an internal audit plan before the beginning of

each fiscal year, subject to the approval of the office of internal audit in the office of budget and management. At the end of each fiscal year, the commission shall prepare and submit an annual report to the office of internal audit for the office's review and approval, specifying the internal audit work completed by the end of that fiscal year and reporting on compliance with the annual internal audit plan.

(F) Whenever, in the judgment of the director of budget and management, an amount of net state lottery proceeds is necessary to be applied to the payment of debt service on obligations, all as defined in sections 151.01 and 151.03 of the Revised Code, the director shall transfer that amount directly from the state lottery fund or from the lottery profits education fund to the bond service fund defined in those sections. The provisions of this division are subject to any prior pledges or obligation of those amounts to the payment of bond service charges as defined in division (C) of section 3318.21 of the Revised Code, as referred to in division (B) of this section.

Sec. 3770.07. (A)(1) Except as provided in division (A)(2) of this section, lottery prize awards shall be claimed by the holder of the winning lottery product, or by the executor or administrator, or the trustee of a trust, of the estate of a deceased holder of a winning lottery product, in a manner to be determined by the state lottery commission, within one hundred eighty days after the date on which the prize award was announced if the lottery game is an online game, ~~and within one hundred eighty days after the close of the game if the lottery game is an instant game, and within one hundred eighty days after the end of the sporting event or series of sporting events on which the wager was placed if the lottery game is lottery sports gaming.~~

Any lottery prize award with a value that meets or exceeds the reportable winnings amounts set by 26 U.S.C. 6041, or a subsequent analogous section of the Internal Revenue Code, shall not be claimed by or paid to any person, as defined in section 1.59 of the Revised Code or as defined by rule or order of the state lottery commission, until the name, address, and social security number of each beneficial owner of the prize award are documented for the commission. Except when a beneficial owner otherwise consents in writing, in the case of a claim for a lottery prize award made by one or more beneficial owners using a trust, the name, address, and social security number of each such beneficial owner in the commission's records as a result of such a disclosure are confidential and shall not be subject to inspection or copying under section 149.43 of the Revised Code as a public record.

Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1) of this section or as otherwise provided by law, the name and address of any individual claiming a lottery prize award are subject to inspection or copying under section 149.43 of the Revised Code as a public record.

(2) An eligible person serving on active military duty in any branch of the United States armed forces during a war or national emergency declared in accordance with federal law may submit a delayed claim for a lottery prize award. The eligible person shall do so by notifying the state lottery commission about the claim not later than the ~~five-three hundred fortieth-sixtieth~~ day after the ~~date on which the prize award was announced if the lottery game is an online game or after the date on which the lottery game closed if the lottery game is an instant game~~ applicable deadline specified under division (A)(1) of this section.

(3) If no valid claim to a lottery prize award is made within the prescribed period, the prize money, the cost of goods and services awarded as prizes, or, if goods or services awarded as prizes

are resold by the state lottery commission, the proceeds from their sale shall be returned to the state lottery fund and distributed in accordance with section 3770.06 of the Revised Code.

(4) The state lottery commission may share with other governmental agencies the name, address, and social security number of a beneficial owner disclosed to the commission under division (A)(1) of this section, as authorized under sections 3770.071 and 3770.073 of the Revised Code. Any shared information as disclosed pursuant to those sections that is made confidential by division (A)(1) of this section remains confidential and shall not be subject to inspection or copying under section 149.43 of the Revised Code as a public record unless the applicable beneficial owner otherwise provides written consent.

(5) As used in this division:

(a) "Eligible person" means a person who is entitled to a lottery prize award and who falls into either of the following categories:

(i) While on active military duty in this state, the person, as the result of a war or national emergency declared in accordance with federal law, is transferred out of this state before the ~~one hundred eightieth day after the date on which the winner of the lottery prize award is selected~~ applicable deadline specified under division (A)(1) of this section.

(ii) While serving in the reserve forces in this state, the person, as the result of a war or national emergency declared in accordance with federal law, is placed on active military duty and is transferred out of this state before the ~~expiration of the one hundred eightieth day after the date on which the prize drawing occurs for an online game or before the expiration of the one hundred eightieth day following the close of an instant game as determined by the commission~~ applicable deadline specified under division (A)(1) of this section.

(b) "Active military duty" means that a person is covered by the "Servicemembers Civil Relief Act," 117 Stat. 2835 (2003), 50 U.S.C. 501 et seq., as amended, or the "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994," 108 Stat. 3149, 38 U.S.C. 4301 et seq., as amended.

(c) "Each beneficial owner" means the ultimate recipient or, if there is more than one, each ultimate recipient of a lottery prize award.

(B) If a prize winner, as defined in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code, is under eighteen years of age or, in the case of lottery sports gaming, under twenty-one years of age, or is under some other legal disability, and the prize money or the cost of goods or services awarded as a prize exceeds one thousand dollars, the director of the state lottery commission shall order that payment be made to the order of the legal guardian of that prize winner. If the amount of the prize money or the cost of goods or services awarded as a prize is one thousand dollars or less, the director may order that payment be made to the order of the adult member, if any, of that prize winner's family legally responsible for the care of that prize winner.

(C) No right of any prize winner, as defined in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code, to a prize award shall be the subject of a security interest or used as collateral.

(D)(1) No right of any prize winner, as defined in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code, to a prize award shall be assignable except as follows: when the payment is to be made to the executor or administrator, or the trustee of a trust, of the estate of a prize winner; when the award of a prize is disputed, any person may be awarded a prize award to which another has claimed title, pursuant to

the order of a court of competent jurisdiction; when a person is awarded a prize award to which another has claimed title, pursuant to the order of a federal bankruptcy court under Title 11 of the United States Code; or as provided in sections 3770.10 to 3770.14 of the Revised Code.

(2)(a) No right of any prize winner, as defined in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code, to a prize award with a remaining unpaid balance of less than one hundred thousand dollars shall be subject to garnishment, attachment, execution, withholding, or deduction except as provided in sections 3119.80, 3119.81, 3121.02, 3121.03, and 3123.06 of the Revised Code or when the director is to make a payment pursuant to section 3770.071 or 3770.073 of the Revised Code.

(b) No right of any prize winner, as defined in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code, to a prize award with an unpaid balance of one hundred thousand dollars or more shall be subject to garnishment, attachment, execution, withholding, or deduction except as follows: as provided in sections 3119.80, 3119.81, 3121.02, 3121.03, and 3123.06 of the Revised Code; when the director is to make a payment pursuant to section 3770.071 or 3770.073 of the Revised Code; or pursuant to the order of a court of competent jurisdiction located in this state in a proceeding in which the state lottery commission is a named party, in which case the garnishment, attachment, execution, withholding, or deduction pursuant to the order shall be subordinate to any payments to be made pursuant to section 3119.80, 3119.81, 3121.02, 3121.03, 3123.06, 3770.071, or 3770.073 of the Revised Code.

(3) The state lottery commission may adopt and amend rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as necessary to implement division (D) of this section, to provide for payments from prize awards subject to garnishment, attachment, execution, withholding, or deduction, and to comply with any applicable requirements of federal law.

(4) Upon making payments from a prize award as required by division (D) of this section, the director and the state lottery commission are discharged from all further liability for those payments, whether they are made to an executor, administrator, trustee, judgment creditor, or another person, or to the prize winner, as defined in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code.

(5) The state lottery commission shall adopt rules pursuant to section 3770.03 of the Revised Code concerning the payment of prize awards upon the death of a prize winner, as defined in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code. Upon the death of a prize winner, the remainder of the prize winner's prize award, to the extent it is not subject to a transfer agreement under sections 3770.10 to 3770.14 of the Revised Code, may be paid to the executor, administrator, or trustee in the form of a discounted lump sum cash settlement.

(E) No lottery prize award shall be awarded to or for any officer or employee of the state lottery commission, any officer or employee of the auditor of state actively auditing, coordinating, or observing commission drawings, or any blood relative or spouse of such an officer or employee of the commission or auditor of state living as a member of the officer's or employee's household, nor shall any such officer, employee, blood relative, or spouse attempt to claim a lottery prize award.

(F) The director may prohibit vendors to the state lottery commission and their employees from being awarded a lottery prize award.

(G) Upon the payment of prize awards pursuant to a provision of this section, other than a provision of division (D) of this section, the director and the state lottery commission are discharged from all further liability for their payment. Installment payments of lottery prize awards shall be paid

by official check or warrant, and they shall be sent by mail delivery to the prize winner's address within the United States or by electronic funds transfer to an established bank account located within the United States, or the prize winner may pick them up at an office of the commission.

Sec. 3770.10. As used in sections 3770.07 to 3770.073 and 3770.10 to 3770.14 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Court of competent jurisdiction" means either the general division or the probate division of the court of common pleas of the county in which the prize winner or transferor resides, or, if the prize winner or transferor is not a resident of this state, either the general division or the probate division of the court of common pleas of Franklin county or a federal court having jurisdiction over the lottery prize award.

(B) "Discounted present value" means the present value of the future payments of a lottery prize award that is determined by discounting those payments to the present, using the most recently published applicable federal rate for determining the present value of an annuity as issued by the United States internal revenue service and assuming daily compounding.

(C) "Independent professional advice" means the advice of an attorney, a certified public accountant, an actuary, or any other licensed professional adviser if all of the following apply:

(1) The prize winner has engaged the services of the licensed professional adviser to render advice concerning the legal and other implications of a transfer of the lottery prize award.

(2) The licensed professional adviser is not affiliated in any manner with or compensated in any manner by the transferee of the lottery prize award.

(3) The compensation of the licensed professional adviser is not affected by whether or not a transfer of a lottery prize award occurs.

(D) "Prize winner" means any person that holds the right to receive all or any part of a lottery prize award as a result of being any of the following:

(1) A person who is a claimant under division (A) of section 3770.07 of the Revised Code;

(2) A person who is entitled to a prize award and who is under a legal disability as described in division (B) of section 3770.07 of the Revised Code;

(3) A person who was awarded a prize award to which another has claimed title by a federal bankruptcy court order or other court order referred to in division (D) of section 3770.07 of the Revised Code;

(4) A person who is receiving payments upon the death of a prize winner as provided in division (D) of section 3770.07 of the Revised Code.

(E) "Transfer" means any form of sale, assignment, or redirection of payment of all or any part of a lottery prize award for consideration.

(F) "Transfer agreement" means an agreement that is complete and valid, and that provides for the transfer of all or any part of a lottery prize award from a transferor to a transferee. A transfer agreement is incomplete and invalid unless the agreement contains both of the following:

(1) A statement, signed by the transferor under penalties of perjury, that the transferor irrevocably agrees that the transferor is subject to the tax imposed by Chapter 5733. or 5747. of the Revised Code with respect to gain or income which the transferor will recognize in connection with the transfer. If the transferor is a pass-through entity, as defined in section 5733.04 of the Revised Code, each investor in the pass-through entity shall also sign under penalties of perjury a statement

that the investor irrevocably agrees that the investor is subject to the tax imposed by Chapter 5733. or 5747. of the Revised Code with respect to gain or income which the transferor and the investor will recognize in connection with the transfer.

(2) A statement, signed by the transferee, that the transferee irrevocably agrees that the transferee is subject to the withholding requirements imposed by division (C) of section 3770.072 of the Revised Code and that the transferee is subject to the tax imposed by Chapter 5733. or 5747. of the Revised Code with respect to gain or income which the transferee will recognize in connection with lottery prize awards to be received as a result of the transfer. If the transferee is a pass-through entity, as defined in section 5733.04 of the Revised Code, each investor in the pass-through entity shall also sign under penalties of perjury a statement setting forth that the investor irrevocably agrees that the investor is subject to the withholding requirements imposed by division (C) of section 3770.072 of the Revised Code and is subject to the tax imposed by Chapter 5733. or 5747. of the Revised Code with respect to gain or income which the transferee and the investor will recognize in connection with lottery prize awards to be received as a result of the transfer.

(G) "Transferee" means a party acquiring or proposing to acquire all or any part of a lottery prize award through a transfer.

(H) "Transferor" means either a prize winner or a transferee in an earlier transfer whose interest is acquired by or is sought to be acquired by a transferee or a new transferee through a transfer.

(I) "Lottery prize award" includes winnings from lottery sports gaming.

Sec. 3770.23. As used in sections 3770.23 to 3770.25 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Sports gaming," "type C sports gaming proprietor," and "type C sports gaming host" have the same meanings as in section 3775.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Lottery sports gaming" means sports gaming conducted by a type C sports gaming proprietor on behalf of the state lottery commission and offered through lottery sales agents that are licensed as type C sports gaming hosts.

Sec. 3770.24. (A) The state lottery commission shall operate lottery sports gaming as part of the statewide lottery in accordance with this section and with Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code. The state lottery commission may adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, in consultation with the Ohio casino control commission, to implement sections 3770.23 to 3770.25 of the Revised Code, so long as those rules are not in conflict with the rules of the Ohio casino control commission.

(B)(1) Each type C sports gaming proprietor shall contract with the state lottery commission to operate lottery sports gaming on behalf of the state lottery commission in exchange for a portion of the state's proceeds from lottery sports gaming.

(2) All provisions of Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code that apply to type C sports gaming proprietors and type C sports gaming hosts apply to those persons when they operate or offer lottery sports gaming.

(3) A type C sports gaming proprietor may adapt any existing self-service or clerk-operated lottery terminals owned or operated by the sports gaming proprietor or the state lottery commission also to serve as lottery sports gaming terminals, subject to the rules of the Ohio casino control commission and the state lottery commission.

Sec. 3770.25. (A) The state lottery commission shall offer lottery sports gaming only at type C sports gaming hosts' facilities on self-service or clerk-operated terminals, and only to individuals who are at least twenty-one years of age and who are physically present on the premises of the facility.

(B) All of the following apply concerning lottery sports gaming:

(1) If a type C sports gaming proprietor intends to install more than two terminals in any type C sports gaming host's facility, the type C sports gaming proprietor shall notify the Ohio casino control commission of that fact not later than seven days before installing the additional terminals. The commission may disallow the installation of more than two terminals in the facility, in accordance with the commission's rules.

(2) The self-service terminal or the clerk, as applicable, shall verify that the lottery sports gaming participant is at least twenty-one years of age.

(3) A type C sports gaming proprietor may offer only the following types of wagers on sporting events, as approved by the Ohio casino control commission:

(a) Spread wagers;

(b) Over-under wagers;

(c) Moneyline wagers;

(d) Parlay wagers that are based on not more than four component wagers.

(4) A self-service terminal or clerk shall accept wagers only by cash, credit card, debit card, or electronic payment account. As used in this section, "electronic payment account" means an account maintained with a third party for purposes of making electronic payments, such as paypal, google pay, or apple pay, that is intended for general use and not only for sports gaming purposes.

(5) A self-service terminal or clerk shall not accept wagers aggregating more than seven hundred dollars in a calendar week from any one participant.

(6) The rules of the Ohio casino control commission and the state lottery commission concerning lottery sports gaming shall apply identically in all applicable respects to lottery sports gaming offered on a self-service terminal and to lottery sports gaming offered on a clerk-operated terminal.

(C)(1) A participant whose winnings from lottery sports gaming are of an amount that is not subject to withholding under section 718.031, 3770.071, 3770.072, or 3770.073 of the Revised Code may receive the participant's winnings by any of the following methods:

(a) As a credit to the participant's credit card, debit card, or electronic payment account.

(b) In cash from any type C sports gaming host;

(c) By any additional method permitted by the state lottery commission by rule.

(2) A participant whose winnings from lottery sports gaming are of an amount that is subject to withholding under section 718.031, 3770.071, 3770.072, or 3770.073 of the Revised Code may receive the participant's winnings in the same manner as any other lottery prize award of an amount that is subject to withholding under those sections.

Sec. 3772.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Applicant" means any person who applies to the commission for a license under this chapter.

(B) "Casino control commission fund" means the casino control commission fund described

in Section 6(C)(3)(d) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money in which shall be used to fund the commission and its related affairs.

(C) "Casino facility" means a casino facility as defined in Section 6(C)(9) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution.

(D) "Casino game" means any slot machine or table game as defined in this chapter.

(E) "Casino gaming" means any type of slot machine or table game wagering, using money, casino credit, or any representative of value, authorized in any of the states of Indiana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia as of January 1, 2009, and includes slot machine and table game wagering subsequently authorized by, but shall not be limited by, subsequent restrictions placed on such wagering in such states. "Casino gaming" does not include bingo, as authorized in Section 6 of Article XV, Ohio Constitution and conducted as of January 1, 2009, ~~or~~; horse racing where the pari-mutuel system of wagering is conducted, as authorized under the laws of this state as of January 1, 2009; or sports gaming.

(F) "Casino gaming employee" means any employee of a casino operator or management company, but not a key employee, and as further defined in section 3772.131 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Casino operator" means any person, trust, corporation, partnership, limited partnership, association, limited liability company, or other business enterprise that directly or indirectly holds an ownership or leasehold interest in a casino facility. "Casino operator" does not include an agency of the state, any political subdivision of the state, any person, trust, corporation, partnership, limited partnership, association, limited liability company, or other business enterprise that may have an interest in a casino facility, but who is legally or contractually restricted from conducting casino gaming.

(H) "Central system" means a computer system that provides the following functions related to casino gaming equipment used in connection with casino gaming authorized under this chapter: security, auditing, data and information retrieval, and other purposes deemed necessary and authorized by the commission.

(I) "Cheat" means to alter the result of a casino game, the element of chance, the operation of a machine used in a casino game, or the method of selection of criteria that determines (a) the result of the casino game, (b) the amount or frequency of payment in a casino game, (c) the value of a wagering instrument, or (d) the value of a wagering credit. "Cheat" does not include an individual who, without the assistance of another individual or without the use of a physical aid or device of any kind, uses the individual's own ability to keep track of the value of cards played and uses predictions formed as a result of the tracking information in the individual's playing and betting strategy.

(J) "Commission" means the Ohio casino control commission.

(K) "Gaming agent" means a peace officer employed by the commission that is vested with duties to enforce this chapter and conduct other investigations into the conduct of the casino gaming and the maintenance of the equipment that the commission considers necessary and proper and is in compliance with section 109.77 of the Revised Code.

(L) "Gaming-related vendor" means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, trust, or any other group of individuals, however organized, who supplies gaming-related equipment, goods, or services to a casino operator or management company, that are directly related to or affect casino gaming authorized under this chapter, including, but not limited to, the manufacture, sale,

distribution, or repair of slot machines and table game equipment.

(M) "Holding company" means any corporation, firm, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, trust, or other form of business organization not a natural person which directly or indirectly does any of the following:

(1) Has the power or right to control a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor license applicant or licensee;

(2) Holds an ownership interest of five per cent or more, as determined by the commission, in a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor license applicant or licensee;

(3) Holds voting rights with the power to vote five per cent or more of the outstanding voting rights of a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor applicant or licensee.

(N) "Initial investment" includes costs related to demolition, engineering, architecture, design, site preparation, construction, infrastructure improvements, land acquisition, fixtures and equipment, insurance related to construction, and leasehold improvements.

(O) "Institutional investor" means any of the following entities owning five per cent or more, but less than ~~fifteen~~twenty-five per cent, of an ownership interest in a casino facility, casino operator, management company, or holding company: a corporation, bank, insurance company, pension fund or pension fund trust, retirement fund, including funds administered by a public agency, employees' profit-sharing fund or employees' profit-sharing trust, any association engaged, as a substantial part of its business or operations, in purchasing or holding securities, including a hedge fund, mutual fund, or private equity fund, or any trust in respect of which a bank is trustee or cotrustee, investment company registered under the "Investment Company Act of 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq., collective investment trust organized by banks under Part Nine of the Rules of the Comptroller of the Currency, closed-end investment trust, chartered or licensed life insurance company or property and casualty insurance company, investment advisor registered under the "Investment Advisors Act of 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80 b-1 et seq., and such other persons as the commission may reasonably determine to qualify as an institutional investor for reasons consistent with this chapter, and that does not exercise control over the affairs of a licensee and its ownership interest in a licensee is for investment purposes only, as set forth in division (F) of section 3772.10 of the Revised Code.

(P) "Key employee" means any executive, employee, agent, or other individual who has the power to exercise significant influence over decisions concerning any part of the operation of a person that has applied for or holds a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor license or the operation of a holding company of a person that has applied for or holds a casino operator, management company, or gaming-related vendor license, including:

(1) An officer, director, trustee, partner, or an equivalent fiduciary;

(2) An individual who holds a direct or indirect ownership interest of five per cent or more;

(3) An individual who performs the function of a principal executive officer, principal operating officer, principal accounting officer, or an equivalent officer;

(4) Any other individual the commission determines to have the power to exercise significant influence over decisions concerning any part of the operation.

(Q) "Licensed casino operator" means a casino operator that has been issued a license by the commission and that has been certified annually by the commission to have paid all applicable fees, taxes, and debts to the state.

(R) "Majority ownership interest" in a license or in a casino facility, as the case may be, means ownership of more than fifty per cent of such license or casino facility, as the case may be. For purposes of the foregoing, whether a majority ownership interest is held in a license or in a casino facility, as the case may be, shall be determined under the rules for constructive ownership of stock provided in Treas. Reg. 1.409A-3(i)(5)(iii) as in effect on January 1, 2009.

(S) "Management company" means an organization retained by a casino operator to manage a casino facility and provide services such as accounting, general administration, maintenance, recruitment, and other operational services.

(T) "Ohio law enforcement training fund" means the state law enforcement training fund described in Section 6(C)(3)(f) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money in which shall be used to enhance public safety by providing training opportunities to the law enforcement community.

(U) "Person" includes, but is not limited to, an individual or a combination of individuals; a sole proprietorship, a firm, a company, a joint venture, a partnership of any type, a joint-stock company, a corporation of any type, a corporate subsidiary of any type, a limited liability company, a business trust, or any other business entity or organization; an assignee; a receiver; a trustee in bankruptcy; an unincorporated association, club, society, or other unincorporated entity or organization; entities that are disregarded for federal income tax purposes; and any other nongovernmental, artificial, legal entity that is capable of engaging in business.

(V) "Problem casino gambling and addictions fund" means the state problem gambling and addictions fund described in Section 6(C)(3)(g) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, the money in which shall be used for treatment of problem gambling and substance abuse, and for related research.

(W) "Promotional gaming credit" means a slot machine or table game credit, discount, or other similar item issued to a patron to enable the placement of, or increase in, a wager at a slot machine or table game.

(X) "Slot machine" means any mechanical, electrical, or other device or machine which, upon insertion of a coin, token, ticket, or similar object, or upon payment of any consideration, is available to play or operate, the play or operation of which, whether by reason of the skill of the operator or application of the element of chance, or both, makes individual prize determinations for individual participants in cash, premiums, merchandise, tokens, or any thing of value, whether the payoff is made automatically from the machine or in any other manner, but does not include any device that is a skill-based amusement machine, or an electronic instant bingo system, as defined in section 2915.01 of the Revised Code.

(Y) "Table game" means any game played with cards, dice, or any mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic device or machine for money, casino credit, or any representative of value. "Table game" does not include slot machines.

(Z) "Upfront license" means the first plenary license issued to a casino operator.

(AA) "Voluntary exclusion program" means a program provided by the commission that allows persons to voluntarily exclude themselves from the gaming areas of facilities under the jurisdiction of the commission by placing their name on a voluntary exclusion list and following the procedures set forth by the commission.

(BB) "Sports gaming," "sports gaming proprietor," "sports gaming facility," "mobile management services provider," and "management services provider" have the same meanings as in

section 3775.01 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3772.02. (A) There is hereby created the Ohio casino control commission described in Section 6(C)(4) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution.

(B) The commission shall consist of seven members appointed within one month of September 10, 2010, by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The governor shall forward all appointments to the senate within twenty-four hours.

(1) Each commission member is eligible for reappointment at the discretion of the governor. No commission member shall be appointed for more than three terms in total.

(2) Each commission member shall be a resident of Ohio.

(3) At least one commission member shall be experienced in law enforcement and criminal investigation.

(4) At least one commission member shall be a certified public accountant experienced in accounting and auditing.

(5) At least one commission member shall be an attorney admitted to the practice of law in Ohio.

(6) At least one commission member shall be a resident of a county where one of the casino facilities is located.

(7) Not more than four commission members shall be of the same political party.

(8) No commission member shall have any affiliation with an Ohio casino operator or facility or with a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider licensed under Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code.

(C) Commission members shall serve four-year terms, except that when the governor makes initial appointments to the commission under this chapter, the governor shall appoint three members to serve four-year terms with not more than two such members from the same political party, two members to serve three-year terms with such members not being from the same political party, and two members to serve two-year terms with such members not being from the same political party.

(D) Each commission member shall hold office from the date of appointment until the end of the term for which the member was appointed. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any member shall continue in office after the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office, or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. A vacancy in the commission membership shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(E) The governor shall select one member to serve as chairperson and the commission members shall select one member from a different party than the chairperson to serve as vice-chairperson. The governor may remove and replace the chairperson at any time. No such member shall serve as chairperson for more than six successive years. The vice-chairperson shall assume the duties of the chairperson in the absence of the chairperson. The chairperson and vice-chairperson shall perform but shall not be limited to additional duties as are prescribed by commission rule.

(F) A commission member is not required to devote the member's full time to membership on the commission. Beginning on September 29, 2015, each member of the commission shall receive compensation of fifty thousand dollars per year. Beginning July 1, 2016, each member of the

commission shall receive compensation of forty thousand dollars per year. Beginning July 1, 2017, each member of the commission shall receive compensation of thirty thousand dollars per year. Each member shall receive the member's actual and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of the member's official duties.

(G) The governor shall not appoint an individual to the commission, and an individual shall not serve on the commission, if the individual ~~has been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to a disqualifying offense as defined in~~ is ineligible to be appointed or retained under section 3772.07 of the Revised Code. Members coming A member who comes under indictment or bill of information of ~~a disqualifying an offense that, if the member were convicted of the offense, would make the member ineligible to be appointed or retained under that section~~ shall resign from the commission immediately upon indictment.

(H) At least five commission members shall be present for the commission to meet. The concurrence of four members is necessary for the commission to take any action. All members shall vote on the adoption of rules, and the approval of, and the suspension or revocation of, the licenses of casino operators or management companies, unless a member has a written leave of absence filed with and approved by the chairperson.

(I) A commission member may be removed or suspended from office in accordance with section 3.04 of the Revised Code.

(J) Each commission member, before entering upon the discharge of the member's official duties, shall make an oath to uphold the Ohio Constitution and laws of the state of Ohio and shall give a bond, payable by the commission, to the treasurer of state, in the sum of ten thousand dollars with sufficient sureties to be approved by the treasurer of state, which bond shall be filed with the secretary of state.

(K) The commission shall hold one regular meeting each month and shall convene other meetings at the request of the chairperson or a majority of the members. A member who fails to attend at least three-fifths of the regular and special meetings of the commission during any two-year period forfeits membership on the commission. All meetings of the commission shall be open meetings under section 121.22 of the Revised Code except as otherwise allowed by law.

(L) Pursuant to divisions (A)(3) and (9) of section 101.82 of the Revised Code, the commission is exempt from the requirements of sections 101.82 to 101.87 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3772.03. (A) To ensure the integrity of casino gaming, the commission shall have authority to complete the functions of licensing, regulating, investigating, and penalizing casino operators, management companies, holding companies, key employees, casino gaming employees, and gaming-related vendors. The commission also shall have jurisdiction over all persons participating in casino gaming authorized by Section 6(C) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, and this chapter.

(B) All rules adopted by the commission under this chapter shall be adopted under procedures established in Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The commission may contract for the services of experts and consultants to assist the commission in carrying out its duties under this section.

(C) The commission shall adopt rules as are necessary for completing the functions stated in division (A) of this section and for addressing the subjects enumerated in division (D) of this section.

(D) The commission shall adopt, and as advisable and necessary shall amend or repeal, rules

that include all of the following:

- (1) The prevention of practices detrimental to the public interest;
- (2) Prescribing the method of applying, and the form of application, that an applicant for a license under this chapter must follow as otherwise described in this chapter;
- (3) Prescribing the information to be furnished by an applicant or licensee as described in section 3772.11 of the Revised Code;
- (4) Describing the certification standards and duties of an independent testing laboratory certified under section 3772.31 of the Revised Code and the relationship between the commission, the laboratory, the gaming-related vendor, and the casino operator;
- (5) The minimum amount of insurance that must be maintained by a casino operator, management company, holding company, or gaming-related vendor;
- (6) The approval process for a significant change in ownership or transfer of control of a licensee as provided in section 3772.091 of the Revised Code;
- (7) The design of gaming supplies, devices, and equipment to be distributed by gaming-related vendors;
- (8) Identifying the casino gaming that is permitted, identifying the gaming supplies, devices, and equipment, that are permitted, defining the area in which the permitted casino gaming may be conducted, and specifying the method of operation according to which the permitted casino gaming is to be conducted as provided in section 3772.20 of the Revised Code, and requiring gaming devices and equipment to meet the standards of this state;
- (9) Tournament play in any casino facility;
- (10) Establishing and implementing a voluntary exclusion program that provides all of the following:
 - (a) Except as provided by commission rule, a person who participates in the program shall agree to refrain from entering a casino facility.
 - (b) The name of a person participating in the program shall be included on a list of persons excluded from all casino facilities.
 - (c) Except as provided by commission rule, no person who participates in the program shall petition the commission for admittance into a casino facility.
 - (d) The list of persons participating in the program and the personal information of those persons shall be confidential and shall only be disseminated by the commission to ~~a the state lottery commission, casino operator and the operators, sports gaming proprietors, and their agents~~ and employees of the casino operator for purposes of enforcement and to other entities, upon request of the participant and agreement by the commission.
 - (e) A casino operator shall make all reasonable attempts as determined by the commission to cease all direct marketing efforts to a person participating in the program.
 - (f) A casino operator shall not cash the check of a person participating in the program or extend credit to the person in any manner. However, the program shall not exclude a casino operator from seeking the payment of a debt accrued by a person before participating in the program.
 - (g) Any and all locations at which a person may register as a participant in the program shall be published.
- (11) Requiring the commission to adopt standards regarding the marketing materials of a

licensed casino operator, including allowing the commission to prohibit marketing materials that are contrary to the adopted standards;

(12) Requiring that the records, including financial statements, of any casino operator, management company, holding company, and gaming-related vendor be maintained in the manner prescribed by the commission and made available for inspection upon demand by the commission, but shall be subject to section 3772.16 of the Revised Code;

(13) Permitting a licensed casino operator, management company, key employee, or casino gaming employee to question a person suspected of violating this chapter;

(14) The chips, tokens, tickets, electronic cards, or similar objects that may be purchased by means of an agreement under which credit is extended to a wagerer by a casino operator;

(15) Establishing standards for provisional key employee licenses for a person who is required to be licensed as a key employee and is in exigent circumstances and standards for provisional licenses for casino gaming employees who submit complete applications and are compliant under an instant background check. A provisional license shall be valid not longer than three months. A provisional license may be renewed one time, at the commission's discretion, for an additional three months. In establishing standards with regard to instant background checks the commission shall take notice of criminal records checks as they are conducted under section 311.41 of the Revised Code using electronic fingerprint reading devices.

(16) Establishing approval procedures for third-party engineering or accounting firms, as described in section 3772.09 of the Revised Code;

(17) Prescribing the manner in which winnings, compensation from casino gaming, and gross revenue must be computed and reported by a licensee as described in Chapter 5753. of the Revised Code;

(18) Prescribing conditions under which a licensee's license may be suspended or revoked as described in section 3772.04 of the Revised Code;

(19) Prescribing the manner and procedure of all hearings to be conducted by the commission or by any hearing examiner;

(20) Prescribing technical standards and requirements that are to be met by security and surveillance equipment that is used at and standards and requirements to be met by personnel who are employed at casino facilities, and standards and requirements for the provision of security at and surveillance of casino facilities;

(21) Prescribing requirements for a casino operator to provide unarmed security services at a casino facility by licensed casino employees, and the training that shall be completed by these employees;

(22) Prescribing standards according to which casino operators shall keep accounts and standards according to which casino accounts shall be audited, and establish means of assisting the tax commissioner in levying and collecting the gross casino revenue tax levied under section 5753.02 of the Revised Code;

(23) Defining penalties for violation of commission rules and a process for imposing such penalties;

(24) Establishing standards for decertifying contractors that violate statutes or rules of this state or the federal government;

(25) Establishing standards for the repair of casino gaming equipment;

(26) Establishing procedures to ensure that casino operators, management companies, and holding companies are compliant with the compulsive and problem gambling plan submitted under section 3772.18 of the Revised Code;

(27) Prescribing, for institutional investors in or holding companies of a casino operator, management company, holding company, or gaming-related vendor that fall below the threshold needed to be considered an institutional investor or a holding company, standards regarding what any employees, members, or owners of those investors or holding companies may do and shall not do in relation to casino facilities and casino gaming in this state, which standards shall rationally relate to the need to proscribe conduct that is inconsistent with passive institutional investment status;

(28) Providing for any other thing necessary and proper for successful and efficient regulation of casino gaming under this chapter.

(E) The commission shall employ and assign gaming agents as necessary to assist the commission in carrying out the duties of this chapter and ~~Chapter~~ Chapters 2915. and 3775. of the Revised Code. In order to maintain employment as a gaming agent, the gaming agent shall successfully complete all continuing training programs required by the commission and shall not have been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to ~~a disqualifying an offense as defined in that makes the gaming agent ineligible for appointment or retention under~~ section 3772.07 of the Revised Code.

(F) The commission, as a law enforcement agency, and its gaming agents, as law enforcement officers as defined in section 2901.01 of the Revised Code, shall have authority with regard to the detection and investigation of, the seizure of evidence allegedly relating to, and the apprehension and arrest of persons allegedly committing violations of this chapter or gambling offenses as defined in section 2915.01 of the Revised Code or violations of any other law of this state that may affect the integrity of casino gaming ~~or~~ the operation of skill-based amusement machines, or the operation of sports gaming, and shall have access to casino facilities ~~and~~ skill-based amusement machine facilities, and sports gaming facilities to carry out the requirements of this chapter ~~and Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code.~~

(G) The commission may eject or exclude or authorize the ejection or exclusion of and a gaming agent may eject a person from a casino facility for any of the following reasons:

(1) The person's name is on the list of persons voluntarily excluding themselves from all casinos in a program established according to rules adopted by the commission;

(2) The person violates or conspires to violate this chapter or a rule adopted thereunder; or

(3) The commission determines that the person's conduct or reputation is such that the person's presence within a casino facility may call into question the honesty and integrity of the casino gaming operations or interfere with the orderly conduct of the casino gaming operations.

(H) A person, other than a person participating in a voluntary exclusion program, may petition the commission for a public hearing on the person's ejection or exclusion under this chapter.

(I) A casino operator or management company shall have the same authority to eject or exclude a person from the management company's casino facilities as authorized in division (G) of this section. The licensee shall immediately notify the commission of an ejection or exclusion.

(J) The commission shall submit a written annual report with the governor, president and

minority leader of the senate, and the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives before the first day of September each year. The annual report shall cover the previous fiscal year and shall include all of the following:

- (1) A statement describing the receipts and disbursements of the commission;
- (2) Relevant financial data regarding casino gaming, including gross revenues and disbursements made under this chapter;
- (3) Actions taken by the commission;
- (4) An update on casino operators', management companies', and holding companies' compulsive and problem gambling plans and the voluntary exclusion program and list;
- (5) Information regarding prosecutions for conduct described in division (H) of section 3772.99 of the Revised Code, including, but not limited to, the total number of prosecutions commenced and the name of each person prosecuted;
- (6) Any additional information that the commission considers useful or that the governor, president or minority leader of the senate, speaker or minority leader of the house of representatives requests.

(K) To ensure the integrity of skill-based amusement machine operations, the commission shall have jurisdiction over all persons conducting or participating in the conduct of skill-based amusement machine operations authorized by this chapter and Chapter 2915. of the Revised Code, including the authority to complete the functions of licensing, regulating, investigating, and penalizing those persons in a manner that is consistent with the commission's authority to do the same with respect to casino gaming. To carry out this division, the commission may adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, including rules establishing fees and penalties related to the operation of skill-based amusement machines.

(L) To ensure the integrity of fantasy contests, the commission shall have jurisdiction over all persons conducting or participating in the conduct of a fantasy contest authorized by Chapter 3774. of the Revised Code, including the authority to license, regulate, investigate, and penalize those persons in a manner that is consistent with the commission's authority to do the same with respect to skill-based amusement machines. To carry out this division, the commission may adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, including rules establishing fees and penalties related to the operation of fantasy contests.

(M) All fees imposed pursuant to the rules adopted under divisions (K) and (L) of this section shall be deposited into the casino control commission fund.

Sec. 3772.031. ~~(A)-(A)(1)~~ The general assembly finds that the exclusion or ejection of certain persons from casino facilities and from sports gaming is necessary to effectuate the intents and purposes of this chapter and Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code and to maintain strict and effective regulation of casino gaming and sports gaming. ~~The~~

(2) The commission, by rule, shall provide for a list of persons who are to be excluded or ejected from a casino facility and a list of persons who are to be excluded or ejected from a sports gaming facility and from participating in the play or operation of sports gaming in this state. Persons included on ~~the~~ an exclusion list shall be identified by name and physical description. The commission shall publish the exclusion ~~list~~ lists on its web site, and shall transmit a copy of the exclusion ~~list~~ lists periodically to casino operators and sports gaming proprietors, as applicable, as it

is ~~they are~~ initially issued and thereafter as ~~it is they are~~ revised from time to time. A-

(3) A casino operator shall take steps necessary to ensure that all its key employees and casino gaming employees are aware of and understand the casino exclusion list and its function, and that all its key employees and casino gaming employees are kept aware of the content of the casino exclusion list as it is issued and thereafter revised from time to time.

(4) A sports gaming proprietor shall take steps necessary to ensure that its appropriate agents and employees are aware of and understand the sports gaming exclusion list and its function, and that all its appropriate agents and employees are kept aware of the content of the sports gaming exclusion list as it is issued and thereafter revised from time to time.

(B) The casino exclusion list may include any person whose presence in a casino facility is determined by the commission to pose a threat to the interests of the state, to achieving the intents and purposes of this chapter, or to the strict and effective regulation of casino gaming. The sports gaming exclusion list may include any person whose presence in a sports gaming facility or whose participation in the play or operation of sports gaming in this state is determined by the commission to pose a threat to the interests of the state, to achieving the intents and purposes of Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code, or to the strict and effective regulation of sports gaming. In determining whether to include a person on ~~the an~~ exclusion list, the commission may consider:

(1) Any prior conviction of a crime that is a felony under the laws of this state, another state, or the United States, a crime involving moral turpitude, or a violation of the gaming laws of this state, another state, or the United States; and

(2) A violation, or a conspiracy to violate, any provision of this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code, as applicable, that consists of:

(a) A failure to disclose an interest in a gaming facility or a sports gaming-related person or entity for which the person must obtain a license;

(b) Purposeful evasion of taxes or fees;

(c) A notorious or unsavory reputation that would adversely affect public confidence and trust that casino gaming or sports gaming is free from criminal or corruptive elements; or

(d) A violation of an order of the commission or of any other governmental agency that warrants exclusion or ejection of the person from a casino facility, from a sports gaming facility, or from participating in the play or operation of sports gaming in this state.

(3) If the person has pending charges or indictments for a gaming or gambling crime or a crime related to the integrity of gaming operations in any state;

(4) If the person's conduct or reputation is such that the person's presence within a casino facility or in the sports gaming industry in this state may call into question the honesty and integrity of the casino gaming or sports gaming operations or interfere with the orderly conduct of the casino gaming or sports gaming operations;

(5) If the person is a career or professional offender whose presence in a casino facility or in the sports gaming industry in this state would be adverse to the interest of licensed gaming in this state;

(6) If the person has a known relationship or connection with a career or professional offender whose presence in a casino facility or in the sports gaming industry in this state would be adverse to the interest of licensed gaming in this state;

(7) If the commission has suspended the person's gaming privileges;

(8) If the commission has revoked the person's licenses related to this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code;

(9) If the commission determines that the person poses a threat to the safety of patrons or employees of a casino facility or a sports gaming facility;

(10) If the person has a history of conduct involving the disruption of gaming operations within a casino facility or in the sports gaming industry in this state.

Race, color, creed, national origin or ancestry, or sex are not grounds for placing a person on ~~the~~ an exclusion list.

(C) The commission shall notify a person of the commission's intent to include such person on ~~the one or both~~ exclusion list lists. The notice shall be provided by personal service, by certified mail to the person's last known address, or, if service cannot be accomplished by personal service or certified mail, by publication daily for two weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the county in which the person resides and in a newspaper of general circulation within each county in which a casino facility or sports gaming facility, as applicable, is located.

(D) ~~A(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person who receives notice of intent to include the person on the an exclusion list is entitled, upon the person's request, to an adjudication hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, except as provided in this section, in which the person may demonstrate why the person should not be included on the exclusion list or lists. The person shall request such an adjudication hearing not later than thirty days after the person receives the notice by personal service or certified mail, or not later than thirty days after the last newspaper publication of the notice. If~~

(2) If the person does not request a hearing in accordance with division (D)(1) of this section, the commission may, but is not required to, conduct an adjudication hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The commission may reopen an adjudication under this section at any time.

(3) If the adjudication hearing, order, or any appeal thereof under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code results in an order that the person should not be included on the exclusion list or lists, the commission shall publish a revised exclusion list that does not include the person. The commission also shall notify casino operators or sports gaming proprietors, as applicable, that the person has been removed from the exclusion list or lists. A casino operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure its key employees and casino gaming employees are made aware that the person has been removed from the casino exclusion list. A sports gaming proprietor shall take all steps necessary to ensure its appropriate agents and employees are made aware that the person has been removed from the sports gaming exclusion list.

(E) This section does not apply to ~~the any~~ voluntary exclusion list created as part of ~~the a~~ voluntary exclusion program under this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3772.04. (A)(1) If the commission concludes that an applicant, licensee, or other person subject to the commission's jurisdiction under this chapter should be fined or penalized, or that a license required by this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code should be limited, conditioned, restricted, suspended, revoked, denied, or not renewed, the commission may, and if so requested by a the licensee or applicant, or other person, shall, conduct a hearing in an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, the commission may fine or

penalize the applicant, licensee, or other person or limit, condition, restrict, suspend, revoke, deny, or not renew a license under rules adopted by the commission. The commission may reopen a licensing an adjudication under this section at any time.

(2) The commission shall appoint a hearing examiner to conduct the hearing in the adjudication. A party to the adjudication may file written objections to the hearing examiner's report and recommendations not later than the thirtieth day after they are served upon the party or the party's attorney or other representative of record. The commission shall not take up the hearing examiner's report and recommendations earlier than the thirtieth day after the hearing examiner's report and recommendations were submitted to the commission.

(3) If the commission finds that a person fails or has failed to meet any requirement under this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code or a rule adopted thereunder, or violates or has violated this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code or a rule adopted thereunder, the commission may issue an order:

(a) Limiting, conditioning, restricting, suspending, revoking, denying, or not renewing, a license issued under this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code;

(b) Requiring a casino facility to exclude a licensee from the casino facility or requiring a casino facility not to pay to the licensee any remuneration for services or any share of profits, income, or accruals on the licensee's investment in the casino facility; or

(c) Fining a licensee or other person according to the penalties adopted by the commission.

(4) An order may be judicially reviewed under section 119.12 of the Revised Code.

(B) Without in any manner limiting the authority of the commission to impose the level and type of discipline the commission considers appropriate, the commission may take into consideration the following:

(1) If the licensee knew or reasonably should have known that the action complained of was a violation of any law, rule, or condition on the licensee's license;

(2) If the licensee has previously been disciplined by the commission;

(3) If the licensee has previously been subject to discipline by the commission concerning the violation of any law, rule, or condition of the licensee's license;

(4) If the licensee reasonably relied upon professional advice from a lawyer, doctor, accountant, or other recognized professional that was relevant to the action resulting in the violation;

(5) If the licensee or the licensee's employer had a reasonably constituted and functioning compliance program;

(6) If the imposition of a condition requiring the licensee to establish and implement a written self-enforcement and compliance program would assist in ensuring the licensee's future compliance with all statutes, rules, and conditions of the license;

(7) If the licensee realized a pecuniary gain from the violation;

(8) If the amount of any fine or other penalty imposed would result in disgorgement of any gains unlawfully realized by the licensee;

(9) If the violation was caused by an officer or employee of the licensee, the level of authority of the individual who caused the violation;

(10) If the individual who caused the violation acted within the scope of the individual's authority as granted by the licensee;

(11) The adequacy of any training programs offered by the licensee or the licensee's employer that were relevant to the activity that resulted in the violation;

(12) If the licensee's action substantially deviated from industry standards and customs;

(13) The extent to which the licensee cooperated with the commission during the investigation of the violation;

(14) If the licensee has initiated remedial measures to prevent similar violations;

(15) The magnitude of penalties imposed on other licensees for similar violations;

(16) The proportionality of the penalty in relation to the misconduct;

(17) The extent to which the amount of any fine imposed would punish the licensee for the conduct and deter future violations;

(18) Any mitigating factors offered by the licensee; and

(19) Any other factors the commission considers relevant.

(C) For the purpose of conducting any study or investigation, the commission may direct that public hearings be held at a time and place, prescribed by the commission, in accordance with section 121.22 of the Revised Code. The commission shall give notice of all public hearings in such manner as will give actual notice to all interested parties.

(D)(1) For the purpose of conducting the hearing in an adjudication under division (A) of this section, or in the discharge of any duties imposed by this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code, the commission may require that testimony be given under oath and administer such oath, issue subpoenas compelling the attendance of witnesses and the production of any papers, books, and accounts, directed to the sheriffs of the counties where such witnesses or papers, books, and accounts are found and cause the deposition of any witness. The subpoenas shall be served and returned in the same manner as subpoenas in criminal cases are served and returned. The fees of sheriffs shall be the same as those allowed by the court of common pleas in criminal cases.

(2) In the event of the refusal of any person without good cause to comply with the terms of a subpoena issued by the commission or refusal to testify on matters about which the person may lawfully be questioned, the prosecuting attorney of the county in which such person resides, upon the petition of the commission, may bring a proceeding for contempt against such person in the court of common pleas of that county.

(3) Witnesses shall be paid the fees and mileage provided for in section 119.094 of the Revised Code.

(4) All fees and mileage expenses incurred at the request of a party shall be paid in advance by the party.

(E) When conducting a public hearing, the commission shall not limit the number of speakers who may testify. However, the commission may set reasonable time limits on the length of an individual's testimony or the total amount of time allotted to proponents and opponents of an issue before the commission.

(F) The commission may rely, in whole or in part, upon investigations, conclusions, or findings of other casino gaming or sports gaming commissions, as applicable, or other government regulatory bodies in connection with licensing, investigations, or other matters relating to an applicant or licensee under this chapter.

(G) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised

Code, and except with respect to a license issued under this chapter to a casino operator, management company, or holding company, the executive director may issue an emergency order for the suspension, limitation, or conditioning of any license, registration, approval, or certificate issued, approved, granted, or otherwise authorized by the commission under Chapter 3772. or 3775. of the Revised Code or the rules adopted thereunder, requiring the inclusion of persons on the commission's casino exclusion list or sports gaming exclusion list provided for under section 3772.031 of the Revised Code or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code and the rules adopted thereunder, and requiring a casino facility not to pay a licensee, registrant, or approved or certified person any remuneration for services or any share of profits, income, or accruals on that person's investment in the casino facility.

(1) An emergency order may be issued when the executive director finds either of the following:

(a) A licensee, registrant, or approved or certified person has been charged with a violation of any of the criminal laws of this state, another state, or the federal government;

(b) Such an action is necessary to prevent a violation of this chapter or Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code or a rule adopted thereunder.

(2) An emergency order issued under division (G) of this section shall state the reasons for the commission's action, cite the law or rule directly involved, and state that the party will be afforded a hearing if the party requests it within thirty days after the time of mailing or personal delivery of the order.

(3)(a) Not later than the next business day after the issuance of the emergency order, the order shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the party at the party's last known mailing address appearing in the commission's records or personally delivered at any time to the party by an employee or agent of the commission.

(b) A copy of the order shall be mailed to the attorney or other representative of record representing the party.

(c) If the order sent by registered or certified mail is returned because the party fails to claim the order, the commission shall send the order by ordinary mail to the party at the party's last known address and shall obtain a certificate of mailing. Service by ordinary mail is complete when the certificate of mailing is obtained unless the order is returned showing failure of delivery.

(d) If the order sent by registered, certified, or ordinary mail is returned for failure of delivery, the commission shall either make personal delivery of the order by an employee or agent of the commission or cause a summary of the substantive provisions of the order to be published once a week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the last known address of the party is located.

(i) Failure of delivery occurs only when a mailed order is returned by the postal authorities marked undeliverable, address or addressee unknown, or forwarding address unknown or expired.

(ii) When service is completed by publication, a proof of publication affidavit, with the first publication of the summary set forth in the affidavit, shall be mailed by ordinary mail to the party at the party's last known address and the order shall be deemed received as of the date of the last publication.

(e) Refusal of delivery of the order sent by mail or personally delivered to the party is not failure of delivery and service is deemed to be complete.

(4) The emergency order shall be effective immediately upon service of the order on the party. The emergency order shall remain effective until further order of the executive director or the commission.

(5) The commission may, and if so requested by the person affected by the emergency order shall, promptly conduct a hearing in an adjudication under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3772.062. (A)(1) The executive director of the commission shall enter into an agreement with the department of mental health and addiction services under which the department provides a program of gambling and addiction services, including services to alleviate problem sports gaming, on behalf of the commission.

(2) The commission shall use the moneys in the problem sports gaming fund established under section 5753.031 of the Revised Code for the purpose of paying the costs of program services to alleviate problem sports gaming in this state.

(B) The executive director of the commission, in conjunction with the department of mental health and addiction services and the state lottery commission, shall establish, operate, and publicize an in-state, toll-free telephone number Ohio residents may call to obtain basic information about problem gambling, the gambling addiction services available to problem gamblers, and how a problem gambler may obtain help. The telephone number shall be staffed twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week, to respond to inquiries and provide that information. The costs of establishing, operating, and publicizing the telephone number shall be paid for with money in the problem casino gambling and addictions fund.

Sec. 3772.07. The following appointing or licensing authorities shall obtain a criminal records check of the person who is to be appointed or licensed:

(A) The governor, before appointing an individual as a member of the commission;

(B) The commission, before appointing an individual as executive director or a gaming agent;

(C) The commission, before issuing a license for a key employee or casino gaming employee, and before issuing a license for each investor, except an institutional investor, for a casino operator, management company, holding company, or gaming-related vendor;

(D) The executive director, before appointing an individual as a professional, technical, or clerical employee of the commission.

Thereafter, such an appointing or licensing authority shall obtain a criminal records check of the same individual at three-year intervals.

The appointing or licensing authority shall make available to each person of whom a criminal records check is required a copy of the form and the standard fingerprint impression sheet prescribed under divisions (C)(1) and (2) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code. The person shall complete the form and impression sheet and return them as directed by the appointing or licensing authority. If a person fails to complete and return the form and impression sheet within a reasonable time, the person is ineligible to be appointed or licensed or to continue in the appointment or licensure.

The appointing or licensing authority shall cause the completed form and impression sheet to be forwarded to the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation. The appointing or licensing authority shall request the superintendent also to obtain information from the federal bureau of investigation, including fingerprint-based checks of the national crime information databases, and from other states and the federal government under the national crime prevention and

privacy compact as part of the criminal records check.

For all criminal records checks conducted under this section, the applicant for a casino operator, management company, holding company, gaming-related vendor, key employee, or casino gaming employee license shall pay the fee charged by the bureau of criminal identification and investigation or by a vendor approved by the bureau to conduct a criminal records check based on the applicant's fingerprints in accordance with division (A)(15) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code. If the applicant for a key employee or casino gaming employee license is applying at the request of a casino operator, management company, holding company, or gaming-related vendor, the casino operator, management company, holding company, or gaming-related vendor shall pay the fee charged for all criminal records checks conducted under this section.

The appointing or licensing authority shall review the results of a criminal records check. An appointee for a commission member shall forward the results of the criminal records check to the president of the senate before the senate advises and consents to the appointment of the commission member. The appointing authority shall not appoint or retain the appointment of a person a criminal records check discloses has been convicted of or has pleaded guilty or no contest to any gambling offense, any theft offense, any offense having an element of fraud or misrepresentation, any offense having an element of moral turpitude, and any felony not otherwise included in the foregoing list, except as otherwise provided in section 3772.10 of the Revised Code. The licensing authority shall not license a person if a criminal records check discloses that the person has been convicted of a disqualifying offense. As used in this section, "disqualifying offense" means a disqualifying offense as determined by the licensing authority under section 9.79 of the Revised Code.

The report of a criminal records check is not a public record that is open to public inspection and copying. The commission shall not make the report available to any person other than the person who was the subject of the criminal records check; an appointing or licensing authority; a member, the executive director, or an employee of the commission; or any court or agency, including a hearing examiner, in a judicial or administrative proceeding relating to the person's employment or application for a license under this chapter.

Sec. 3775.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Applicant" means a person that applies to the Ohio casino control commission for a license under this chapter.

(B) "Casino operator" has the same meaning as in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Collegiate sport or athletic event" means a sport or athletic event offered or sponsored by, or played in connection with, a public or private institution that offers educational services beyond the secondary level.

(D) "Commission" means the Ohio casino control commission.

(E) "Esports event" means an organized video game competition that is regulated by a sports governing body and that is held between professional players who play individually or as teams.

(F) "Lottery sports gaming" has the same meaning as in section 3770.23 of the Revised Code.

(G)(1) "Mobile management services provider" means a person that contracts with a type A sports gaming proprietor under section 3775.05 of the Revised Code to operate sports gaming on behalf of the sports gaming proprietor and that is licensed by the Ohio casino control commission as a mobile management services provider under that section.

(2) "Management services provider" means a person that contracts with a type B sports gaming proprietor under section 3775.051 of the Revised Code to operate sports gaming on behalf of the sports gaming proprietor and that is licensed by the Ohio casino control commission as a management services provider under that section.

(H) "Official league data" means statistics, results, outcomes, and other data related to a sporting event provided by the appropriate sports governing body or its designee.

(I) "Online sports pool" means sports gaming in which a wager on a sporting event is made through a computer or mobile device and accepted through an online gaming web site that is operated by a type A sports gaming proprietor or mobile management services provider.

(J) "Professional sport or athletic event" means an event at which two or more persons participate in sports or athletic events and receive compensation, or the potential for compensation based on their performance, in excess of actual expenses for their participation in the event.

(K) "Professional sports organization" means any of the following:

(1) The owner of a professional sports team in this state that is a member of the national football league, the national hockey league, major league baseball, major league soccer, or the national basketball association;

(2) The owner of a sports facility in this state that hosts an annual tournament on the professional golf association tour or a wholly owned for-profit subsidiary of the owner, if the owner is a nonprofit corporation or organization;

(3) A promoter of a national association for stock car auto racing national touring race conducted in this state.

(L) "Promotional gaming credit" means a credit, discount, or other similar item issued to a patron to enable the placement of, or increase in, a wager on a sporting event.

(M) "Proposition bet" means a wager on a sporting event that is based on whether an identified instance or statistical achievement will occur, will be achieved, or will be surpassed, other than the score or outcome of the sporting event or parts of the sporting event, such as quarters, halves, periods, or innings.

(N)(1) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (N)(2) and (3) of this section, "sporting event" means any professional sport or athletic event, any collegiate sport or athletic event, any Olympic or international sports competition event, any motor race event, any esports event, or any other special event the Ohio casino control commission authorizes for sports gaming, the individual performance statistics of athletes or participants in such an event, or a combination of those.

(2) "Sporting event" does not include an event for primary or secondary school students, whether conducted or sponsored by a primary or secondary school or by another person, or the individual performance statistics of athletes or participants in such an event.

(3) "Sporting event" includes an event that involves athletes or participants who are under eighteen years of age, or the individual performance statistics of athletes or participants in the event, only if the Ohio casino control commission authorizes the event for sports gaming.

(O)(1) "Sports gaming" means the business of accepting wagers on sporting events.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in division (O)(3) of this section and in section 3770.25 of the Revised Code, "sports gaming" includes any system or method of wagering on sporting events that the Ohio casino control commission approves, including exchange wagering, parlays, spreads,

over-under, moneyline, in-game wagering, single game bets, teaser bets, in-play bets, proposition bets, pools, pari-mutuel sports wagering pools, or straight bets.

(3) "Sports gaming" does not include any of the following:

(a) Wagering on horse racing;

(b) Lottery games authorized under Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code, including video lottery terminals, other than lottery sports gaming authorized under sections 3770.23 to 3770.25 of the Revised Code;

(c) Casino gaming authorized under division (C) of Section 6 of Article XV, Ohio Constitution and Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code;

(d) Fantasy contests authorized under Chapter 3774. of the Revised Code.

(P) "Sports gaming equipment" means any of the following that directly relate to or affect, or are used or consumed in, the operation of sports gaming:

(1) Any mechanical, electronic, or other device, mechanism, or equipment, including a self-service sports gaming terminal;

(2) Any software, application, components, or other goods;

(3) Anything to be installed or used on a patron's personal device.

(Q) "Sports gaming facility" means a designated area of a building or structure in which patrons may place wagers on sporting events with a type B sports gaming proprietor either in person or using self-service sports gaming terminals.

(R) "Sports gaming license" means a sports gaming proprietor license, a mobile management services provider license, a management services provider license, a sports gaming occupational license, a type C sports gaming host license, or a sports gaming supplier license issued by the Ohio casino control commission under this chapter.

(S) "Sports gaming licensee" means a person who holds a valid sports gaming license.

(T) "Sports gaming proprietor" means a person licensed by the Ohio casino control commission to offer sports gaming in this state as a type A, type B, or type C sports gaming proprietor.

(U) "Sports gaming receipts" has the same meaning as in section 5753.01 of the Revised Code.

(V)(1) "Sports gaming supplier" means a person or entity that provides sports gaming equipment or related services to a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider, including providing services, directly or indirectly, that are necessary to create a betting market or to determine bet outcomes.

(2) A sports gaming supplier that provides sports gaming equipment or services to be used through a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider is not considered a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider solely on that basis.

(3) A sports governing body that provides official league data concerning its own sporting event to a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, management services provider, or sports gaming supplier is not considered a sports gaming supplier solely on that basis.

(W) "Sports gaming voluntary exclusion program" means the program described in division (B)(11) of section 3775.02 of the Revised Code.

(X) "Sports governing body" means a regional, national, or international organization having ultimate authority over the rules and codes of conduct with respect to a sporting event and the participants in the sporting event.

(Y) "Type A sports gaming proprietor" means a sports gaming proprietor licensed by the Ohio casino control commission to offer sports gaming through an online sports pool.

(Z) "Type B sports gaming proprietor" means a sports gaming proprietor licensed by the Ohio casino control commission to offer sports gaming at a sports gaming facility.

(AA) "Type C sports gaming proprietor" means a sports gaming proprietor licensed by the Ohio casino control commission to offer sports gaming through self-service or clerk-operated sports gaming terminals located at type C sports gaming hosts' facilities.

(BB) "Type C sports gaming host" means the owner of a facility with a D-1, D-2, or D-5 liquor permit issued under Chapter 4303. of the Revised Code who is licensed by the Ohio casino control commission to offer sports gaming at the facility through a type C sports gaming proprietor.

(CC) "Video lottery sales agent" means an agent of the state lottery authorized to operate video lottery terminals under section 3770.21 of the Revised Code.

(DD) "Wager" or "bet" means to risk a sum of money or thing of value on an uncertain occurrence.

Sec. 3775.02. (A) The Ohio casino control commission shall have jurisdiction over all persons conducting or participating in the conduct of sports gaming authorized by this chapter or by sections 3770.23 to 3770.25 of the Revised Code, including the authority to license, regulate, investigate, and penalize those persons in a manner that is consistent with the commission's authority with respect to casino gaming. In all cases in which this chapter requires or allows the commission to adopt rules concerning sports gaming, the commission shall adopt those rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(B) The commission shall adopt rules that include all of the following:

(1) Procedures for a sports gaming proprietor to accept wagers on a sporting event or series of sporting events;

(2) The types of wagering tickets sports gaming proprietors are to use;

(3) The manner in which sports gaming proprietors are to issue tickets;

(4) The type of records sports gaming licensees are to keep;

(5) The system to be used to place a wager with a sports gaming proprietor;

(6) The manner in which sports gaming proprietors must verify that their patrons are at least twenty-one years of age;

(7) Protections for a player placing a wager with a sports gaming proprietor;

(8) Measures to promote responsible sports gaming;

(9) Penalties and fines for violating this section or rules adopted under this section;

(10) Restrictions to ensure that sports gaming proprietors' advertisements for sports gaming meet all of the following requirements:

(a) They clearly convey the conditions under which sports gaming is being offered, including information about the cost to participate and the nature of any promotions and information to assist patrons in understanding the odds of winning;

(b) They disclose the identity of the sports gaming proprietor and, if applicable, the mobile

management services provider or management services provider;

(c) They do not target individuals under twenty-one years of age, other individuals who are ineligible to participate in sports gaming, problem gamblers, or other vulnerable individuals;

(d) They include messages designed to prevent problem gambling and provide information about how to access resources related to problem gambling;

(e) They are not false, misleading, or deceptive to a reasonable consumer.

(11) A sports gaming voluntary exclusion program, which shall allow a person to voluntarily exclude the person's self from participating in sports gaming conducted under this chapter by placing the person's name on a voluntary exclusion list and following procedures set forth by the commission.

(a) All of the following apply to the sports gaming voluntary exclusion program:

(i) Except as provided by the commission by rule, a person who participates in the program shall agree to refrain from participating in sports gaming conducted under this chapter.

(ii) The name of a person participating in the program shall be included on a list of persons excluded from participating in sports gaming conducted under this chapter.

(iii) Except as provided by the commission by rule, no person who participates in the program shall petition the commission for admittance into a sports gaming facility or for permission to participate in sports gaming conducted under this chapter.

(iv) The list of persons participating in the program and the personal information of those persons shall be confidential and shall only be disseminated by the commission to the state lottery commission, to a sports gaming proprietor and its agents and employees for purposes of enforcement, and to other entities, upon request of the participant and agreement by the commission.

(v) A sports gaming proprietor shall make all reasonable attempts as determined by the commission to cease all direct marketing efforts to a person participating in the program.

(vi) A sports gaming proprietor shall not cash the check of a person participating in the program or extend credit to the person in any manner. However, the program shall not exclude a sports gaming proprietor from seeking the payment of a debt accrued by a person before participating in the program.

(vii) Any and all locations at which a person may register as a participant in the program shall be published.

(b) The commission shall determine, by rule, whether a participant in the sports gaming voluntary exclusion program also automatically becomes a participant in the voluntary exclusion program established under Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code. The state lottery commission shall determine, by rule, whether a participant in the sports gaming voluntary exclusion program also automatically becomes a participant in any voluntary exclusion program established under Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code.

(12) A procedure by which a sports governing body may request anonymized sports gaming data from a sports gaming proprietor if the sports governing body believes that the integrity of one of its sporting events is in question.

(13) A procedure by which a state university may request anonymized sports gaming data from a sports gaming proprietor for the purpose of conducting research to assist the commission in ensuring the integrity of sports gaming or to improve state-funded services related to responsible

gambling and problem gambling. The data are not a public record, and the state university shall not disclose the data to any person, except for the purpose of conducting the research described in this division, as part of a peer-reviewed research report, or pursuant to an agreement between the state university and the sports gaming proprietor. As used in this division, "state university" has the same meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.

(14) Any other procedure or thing the commission determines necessary to ensure the integrity of sports gaming regulated by the commission.

(C)(1) The commission may, independently or at the request of any person, including a sports governing body, adopt rules to prohibit or restrict sports gaming proprietors from accepting wagers on a particular sporting event or to prohibit or restrict sports gaming proprietors from accepting a particular type of wager.

(2) The commission shall adopt rules prescribing a process by which the commission may prohibit or restrict sports gaming proprietors from accepting wagers on a particular sporting event or prohibit or restrict sports gaming proprietors from accepting a particular type of wager on a temporary emergency basis instead of by rule.

(3)(a) A sports governing body may formally request the commission to prohibit or restrict sports gaming proprietors from accepting wagers on a particular sporting event or to prohibit or restrict sports gaming proprietors from accepting a particular type of wager. The sports governing body shall submit the formal request in the form and manner prescribed by the commission. Upon receiving the request, the commission promptly shall send written notice of the request to every sports gaming proprietor and shall consider any timely response submitted by a sports gaming proprietor.

(b) If the commission determines that the sports governing body has shown good cause through its formal request to grant the requested prohibition or restriction, the commission promptly shall adopt the prohibition or restriction.

(c) If the commission determines that the sports governing body has not shown good cause through its formal request to grant the requested prohibition or restriction, the commission promptly shall provide the sports governing body with notice and an opportunity for a hearing to offer further evidence in support of granting the requested prohibition or restriction.

(D) The commission shall adopt rules establishing minimum internal control standards for the administration of sports gaming proprietors' operations, sports gaming equipment, systems, or other items used by sports gaming proprietors to conduct sports gaming, and the maintenance of sports gaming proprietors' financial records and other required records. The commission may approve minimum internal control standards proposed by sports gaming proprietors.

(E)(1) The commission shall approve all sports gaming equipment and each form, variation, or composite of sports gaming to be used by sports gaming proprietors.

(2)(a) Before approving a piece of sports gaming equipment or a form, variation, or composite of sports gaming, the commission shall require it to undergo scientific testing or technical evaluation, as the commission determines appropriate. The commission may require the testing or evaluation to be conducted at the expense of the sports gaming supplier or sports gaming proprietor, as applicable, by an independent testing laboratory certified by the commission.

(b) The commission may certify an independent testing laboratory to test and evaluate sports

gaming equipment and forms, variations, or composites of sports gaming if both of the following apply:

(i) The laboratory is competent and qualified to scientifically test and technically evaluate sports gaming equipment and forms, variations, or composites of sports gaming for compliance with this chapter and with the rules of the commission and otherwise to perform the functions assigned to the laboratory by the commission;

(ii) The laboratory is not owned or controlled by, is not affiliated with, and does not have any interest in a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, management services provider, sports gaming supplier, or sports governing body.

(c) The commission shall adopt rules prescribing the certification standards, fees, and duties that apply to a certified independent testing laboratory under division (E) of this section.

(3) The commission shall adopt rules requiring sports gaming licensees and sports gaming facilities to use only approved sports gaming equipment acquired from a licensed sports gaming supplier and to use only approved forms, variations, or composites of sports gaming.

(F)(1) The commission shall determine a person's eligibility to hold or renew a sports gaming license under this chapter, shall issue all sports gaming licenses, and shall maintain a record of all sports gaming licenses issued under this chapter.

(2) The commission shall conduct a complete investigation of each applicant for a sports gaming license to determine whether the applicant meets the requirements of this chapter and of the commission's rules each time the applicant applies for an initial or renewed sports gaming license. The commission may initiate an additional licensing investigation or adjudication or reopen an existing licensing investigation or adjudication at any time.

(G)(1) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (G)(2) and (3) of this section, the commission shall levy and collect all fees and surcharges imposed under this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter and shall deposit all moneys collected in the casino control commission fund created under section 5753.03 of the Revised Code.

(2) Of the license fees described in division (E) of section 3775.04, division (B)(3) of section 3775.05, and division (B)(3) of section 3775.051 of the Revised Code, the commission shall deposit one half of one per cent in the sports gaming profits veterans fund created under section 5902.22 of the Revised Code and shall deposit the remainder in the sports gaming revenue fund created under section 5753.031 of the Revised Code.

(3) The commission shall levy and collect fines for noncriminal violations of the provisions of this chapter and of rules adopted under this chapter and shall deposit all such fines in the sports gaming revenue fund created under section 5753.031 of the Revised Code.

(H)(1) The commission, in an adjudication conducted under Chapter 119, of the Revised Code and in accordance with section 3772.04 of the Revised Code, may do any of the following:

(a) Penalize or fine any sports gaming licensee, applicant for a sports gaming license, or other person who is subject to the commission's jurisdiction under this chapter;

(b) Limit, condition, restrict, suspend, revoke, deny, or refuse to renew any sports gaming license.

(2) The executive director of the commission may issue an emergency order with respect to sports gaming under division (G) of section 3772.04 of the Revised Code.

(I)(1) The commission shall monitor all sports gaming conducted in this state by sports gaming proprietors, or shall contract with an independent integrity monitoring provider for that purpose, in order to identify any unusual betting activities or patterns that may indicate a need for further investigation. The commission shall require each sports gaming proprietor to participate in the monitoring system as part of the minimum internal control standards described in division (D) of this section.

(2) The information in the monitoring system described in division (I)(1) of this section is not a public record. The commission may disclose the information in the monitoring system only as necessary for investigative or law enforcement purposes or pursuant to a court order.

(J)(1) The executive director of the commission promptly shall report to the commission any facts or circumstances related to the operation of a sports gaming licensee that constitute a violation of state or federal law and immediately report any suspicious wagering to the appropriate state or federal authorities.

(2) The commission shall cooperate with any investigation conducted by a law enforcement agency or sports governing body, including by providing, or facilitating the provision of, wagering information and audio or video files related to persons placing wagers, provided that the commission shall not be required to provide any information to a sports governing body that would jeopardize an ongoing criminal investigation.

(3) A sheriff, chief of police, or prosecuting attorney shall furnish to the commission, on forms prescribed by the commission, any information obtained concerning any apparent violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter. If the information is considered a confidential law enforcement investigatory record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code, the commission shall not disclose the information to the public.

(K)(1) The attorney general has a civil cause of action to restrain any violation of this chapter or of rules adopted under this chapter. Upon the request of the commission or its executive director, the attorney general shall commence and prosecute such an action to completion. The court shall give priority to such an action over all other civil actions.

(2) An action brought under division (K)(1) of this section does not preclude an administrative or criminal proceeding on the same facts.

(3) The attorney general may enter into an agreement with a state or local law enforcement agency to carry out the duties described in division (K)(1) of this section.

Sec. 3775.03. (A)(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(2) of this section, no person shall operate, conduct, or assist in operating or conducting sports gaming in this state without first obtaining an appropriate sports gaming license from the Ohio casino control commission.

(2) The state lottery commission is not required to receive a sports gaming license in order to operate lottery sports gaming under sections 3770.23 to 3770.25 of the Revised Code.

(B) Each person applying for an initial or renewed sports gaming license issued under this chapter, other than a type C sports gaming host license, and each individual who has control of the applicant as described in division (C) of this section, shall submit two complete sets of fingerprints to the commission for the purpose of conducting a criminal records check, including obtaining any available information from the federal bureau of investigation. The person shall provide the fingerprints using a method the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and

investigation prescribes pursuant to division (C)(2) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code and fill out the form the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation prescribes pursuant to division (C)(1) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code. Upon receiving an application under this section, the executive director of the Ohio casino control commission shall request the superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification and investigation, or a vendor approved by the bureau, to conduct a criminal records check based on the fingerprint impressions in accordance with division (A)(19) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code. Any fee required under division (C)(3) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code shall be paid by the applicant, or in the case of an occupational license, by the applicant's employer. Any applicant convicted of any disqualifying offense, as defined in section 3772.07 of the Revised Code, shall not be issued a license.

(C) The Ohio casino control commission shall not grant a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, management services provider, or sports gaming supplier license until it has determined that each person who has control of the applicant has met the qualifications for sports gaming licensure established in this chapter and in rules adopted by the commission. All of the following persons are considered to have control of an applicant:

(1) Each person associated with a corporate applicant, including any corporate holding company, parent company, or subsidiary company of the applicant, that has the ability to control the activities of the corporate applicant or elect a majority of the board of directors of that corporation, other than any bank or other licensed lending institution that holds a mortgage or other lien acquired in the ordinary course of business;

(2) Each person associated with a noncorporate applicant that directly or indirectly holds a beneficial or proprietary interest in the applicant's business operation or that the commission otherwise determines has the ability to control the applicant;

(3) Key personnel of an applicant, including any executive, employee, or agency, having the power to exercise significant influence over decisions concerning any part of the applicant's business operation.

(D) A sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider shall display its license conspicuously in its place of business or have the license available for inspection by any agent of the Ohio casino control commission or any law enforcement agency. Each holder of an occupational license issued under section 3775.06 of the Revised Code shall have an indicator of licensure prominently displayed when present in a sports gaming facility at all times, in accordance with the rules of the commission. Each type C sports gaming host shall display its license conspicuously in its place of business.

(E) A sports gaming licensee shall give the Ohio casino control commission written notice within ten days of any material change to any information provided in the licensee's application for a license or renewal. The commission shall specify by rule which changes to that information it considers to be material.

Sec. 3775.04. (A)(1) A type A sports gaming proprietor license authorizes a sports gaming proprietor to offer sports gaming through one or more online sports pools.

(2)(a) Except as otherwise provided under division (A)(2)(b) of this section, the Ohio casino control commission shall license not more than twenty-five type A sports gaming proprietors at any one time.

(b) When twenty-five type A sports gaming proprietors are licensed in this state, the commission may issue additional type A sports gaming proprietor licenses to eligible applicants who demonstrate to the commission that the sports gaming market in this state needs additional type A sports gaming proprietors.

(3) A type A sports gaming proprietor shall meet at least one of the following requirements at all times:

(a) The type A sports gaming proprietor also shall operate a sports gaming facility under a type B sports gaming proprietor license.

(b) The type A sports gaming proprietor shall maintain at least one operational place of business in this state at which the sports gaming proprietor regularly maintains multiple employees.

(4) The commission shall adopt by rule a procedure allowing the commission to revoke a type A sports gaming proprietor license if the licensee does not offer sports gaming to patrons under the license for a continuous period of one year or more.

(B)(1) A type B sports gaming proprietor license authorizes a sports gaming proprietor to offer sports gaming at one sports gaming facility at a location specified on the license.

(2) The commission shall license not more than forty type B sports gaming proprietors at any one time.

(3)(a)(i) Except as otherwise provided in division (B)(3)(a)(ii) of this section, no sports gaming facility shall be located in a county with a population of less than one hundred thousand, as determined by the 2010 federal decennial census.

(ii) The commission may issue an initial or renewed type B sports gaming proprietor license for one sports gaming facility to be located in a county with a population of fifty thousand or more, but less than one hundred thousand, as determined by the 2010 federal decennial census, at any one time, if the commission determines, in consultation with the department of development, that the county received at least five million visitors for purposes of tourism during the most recent calendar year for which the necessary data are available.

(b)(i) Except as otherwise provided in division (B)(3)(b)(ii) of this section, not more than one sports gaming facility shall be located in a county with a population of one hundred thousand or more, but less than four hundred thousand, as determined by the 2010 federal decennial census, at any one time.

(ii) Not more than two sports gaming facilities shall be located in a county with a population of one hundred thousand or more, but less than four hundred thousand, as determined by the 2010 federal decennial census, at any one time, if a video lottery sales agent operates video lottery terminals at a facility in the county.

(c) Not more than three sports gaming facilities shall be located in a county with a population of four hundred thousand or more, but less than eight hundred thousand, as determined by the 2010 federal decennial census, at any one time.

(d) Not more than five sports gaming facilities shall be located in a county with a population of eight hundred thousand or more, as determined by the 2010 federal decennial census, at any one time.

(4) The commission shall issue an initial type B sports gaming proprietor license only to a person who conducts significant economic activity in the county in which the sports gaming facility

is to be located, as determined by the commission in consultation with the department of development.

(C)(1) A type C sports gaming proprietor license authorizes a sports gaming proprietor to offer sports gaming through self-service or clerk-operated sports gaming terminals located at one or more type C sports gaming hosts' facilities under section 3770.25 of the Revised Code.

(2) The commission shall license at least two, and not more than twenty, type C sports gaming proprietors at any one time. However, if only one eligible and suitable person applies for a type C sports gaming proprietor license, the commission shall issue the license.

(D) An applicant for an initial or renewed type A, type B, or type C sports gaming proprietor license shall do all of the following:

(1) Submit a written application on a form furnished by the commission.

(a) If the application is for an initial type B sports gaming proprietor license, the application shall specify both of the following:

(i) The intended location of the sports gaming facility or, at a minimum, the county in which the sports gaming facility is to be located if the license is granted;

(ii) The expected overall capital investment in the sports gaming facility, including its size, furnishings, and equipment.

(b) If the application is for a renewed type B sports gaming proprietor license, the application shall specify one of the following, as applicable:

(i) If the sports gaming proprietor does not intend to relocate the sports gaming facility, the location of the sports gaming facility;

(ii) If the sports gaming proprietor intends to relocate the sports gaming facility, the intended new location of the sports gaming facility or, at a minimum, the county in which the sports gaming facility is to be located if the renewal is granted.

(2) Pay the fee required under division (C)(3) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, along with a nonrefundable application fee in an amount prescribed by the commission by rule;

(3) Submit an audit of the applicant's financial transactions and the condition of the applicant's total operations for the previous fiscal year prepared by a certified public accountant in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and state and federal laws;

(4) Satisfy any other requirements for licensure under this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter.

(E) After receiving a sports gaming proprietor license, the sports gaming proprietor shall pay the following nonrefundable license fees, as applicable, not later than the dates indicated, and shall give to the state a surety bond, in an amount and in the form approved by the commission, to guarantee that the sports gaming proprietor faithfully makes all payments required by this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter during the period of the license:

(1) For an initial or renewed type A sports gaming proprietor license:

A	<u>Upon issuance of license</u>	<u>One year after license issued</u>	<u>Two years after license issued</u>	<u>Three years after license issued</u>	<u>Four years after license issued</u>
B <u>Initial or renewed license - type A sports gaming proprietor that is a professional sports organization and that is not contracting with more than one mobile management services provider</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>
C <u>Initial or renewed license - any other type A sports gaming proprietor that is not contracting with more than one mobile management services provider</u>	<u>\$750,000</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>
D <u>Initial license - type A sports gaming proprietor that is a professional sports organization and that is contracting with two mobile management services providers</u>	<u>\$1,666,667</u>	<u>\$416,667</u>	<u>\$416,667</u>	<u>\$416,667</u>	<u>\$416,667</u>
E <u>Initial license - any other type A sports gaming proprietor that is contracting with two mobile management services providers</u>	<u>\$2,500,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>
F <u>Renewed license - type A sports gaming proprietor that is a</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>

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G	<u>Renewed license - any other type A sports gaming proprietor that is contracting with two mobile management services providers</u>	<u>\$750,000</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>
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(2) For an initial or renewed type B sports gaming proprietor license:

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A		<u>Upon issuance of license</u>	<u>One year after license issued</u>	<u>Two years after license issued</u>	<u>Three years after license issued</u>	<u>Four years after license issued</u>
B	<u>Type B sports gaming proprietor that is also a type A sports gaming proprietor</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
C	<u>Type B sports gaming proprietor that is not also a type A sports gaming proprietor</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>

(3) For a type C sports gaming proprietor license, one hundred thousand dollars upon being issued an initial license and twenty-five thousand dollars upon being issued a renewed license.

(F)(1) A sports gaming proprietor license shall be valid for a term of five years.

(2) Upon the expiration of a sports gaming proprietor license, the sports gaming proprietor may apply to renew the license in the same manner as for an initial license, unless the license is suspended or revoked or the commission determines that the sports gaming proprietor is not in compliance with this chapter and the rules adopted under this chapter.

Sec. 3775.041. (A) In issuing initial and renewed type A and type B sports gaming proprietor licenses, the Ohio casino control commission shall give preference to applicants that are professional

sports organizations, casino operators, or video lottery sales agents, subject to the factors described in divisions (B) and (C) of this section, as applicable. The commission shall give equal preference to professional sports organizations, casino operators, and video lottery sales agents for that purpose.

(B) In issuing initial and renewed sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, management services provider, and sports gaming supplier licenses, the commission shall consider all of the following factors, in addition to all other requirements for licensure specified under this chapter and in the rules of the commission:

(1) The reputation, experience, and financial integrity of the applicant and any person that controls the applicant, as determined under division (C) of section 3775.03 of the Revised Code;

(2) The financial ability of the applicant to purchase and maintain adequate liability and casualty insurance and to provide an adequate surety bond;

(3) The past and present compliance of the applicant and its affiliates or affiliated companies with gambling-related licensing requirements in this state or any other jurisdiction, including whether the applicant has a history of noncompliance with those requirements;

(4) Whether the applicant has been charged with, indicted for, or convicted of any felony or misdemeanor criminal offense under the laws of any jurisdiction, not including any traffic violation;

(5) Whether the applicant has filed, or had filed against it, a proceeding for bankruptcy, or has ever been involved in any formal process to adjust, defer, suspend, or otherwise work out the payment of any debt;

(6) Whether the applicant has been served with a complaint or other notice filed with any public body regarding a payment of any tax required under federal, state, or local law that has been delinquent for one or more years;

(7) Whether the applicant is or has been a defendant in litigation involving its business practices;

(8) Whether awarding a license would undermine the public's confidence in the sports gaming industry in this state.

(C) In the case of a sports gaming proprietor license, the Ohio casino control commission also shall consider all of the following:

(1) The nature of the applicant's current or intended physical presence in this state, including any expenditures for physical infrastructure;

(2) The length of time, if any, for which the applicant has been doing any kind of business in this state;

(3) The total amount of taxable income the applicant pays, or will pay, to its employees in this state;

(4) The applicant's current or intended local and statewide economic involvement in this state;

(5) The applicant's other current or intended contributions to this state, including promoting tourism.

(D) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of division (A), (B), or (C) of this section, the Ohio casino control commission shall not give preference to an applicant for a sports gaming proprietor license on the basis that any of the following persons currently contract, or have contracted, with the state lottery commission or any other agency of this state:

(1) The applicant;

(2) A person that has control over the applicant, as determined under division (C) of section 3775.03 of the Revised Code;

(3) A person over which the applicant has control, as determined under that division.

Sec. 3775.05. (A)(1)(a) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(2)(b) of this section, a type A sports gaming proprietor may contract with not more than one mobile management services provider to offer sports gaming on the sports gaming proprietor's behalf, in a manner authorized under the contract.

(b) A type A sports gaming proprietor that is a professional sports organization or is a casino operator or video lottery sales agent, and whose license was not issued under division (A)(2)(b) of section 3775.04 of the Revised Code, may contract with one additional mobile management services provider to offer sports gaming on the sports gaming proprietor's behalf, in a manner authorized under the contract, if the sports gaming proprietor demonstrates to the Ohio casino control commission that the second contract would generate an incremental economic benefit to this state beyond the economic benefits generated by the first contract and that the second contract will not prevent another type A sports gaming proprietor from securing a contract with a mobile management services provider.

(c) For purposes of the license fees described in division (B)(3) of this section:

(i) The first mobile management services provider with which the type A sports gaming proprietor enters into a contract is considered the designated first mobile management services provider.

(ii) If the type A sports gaming proprietor contracts with another mobile management services provider while still contracting with the designated first mobile management services provider, the additional mobile management services provider is considered the designated second mobile management services provider.

(d) The commission shall adopt by rule a procedure allowing the commission to revoke a designated second mobile management services provider's license if the licensee does not actively offer sports gaming under the license to the economic benefit of this state for a continuous period of one year or more.

(2)(a) If the holder of a type A sports gaming proprietor license is a professional sports organization and is a member of a league, association, or organization that prevents the holder from being subject to the regulatory control of the Ohio casino control commission or from otherwise operating under the license, the professional sports organization may contractually appoint a designee operator that is considered the mobile management services provider for all aspects of commission oversight and operating under the license. The professional sports organization shall not have control over the mobile management services provider, and the mobile management services provider shall not have control over the professional sports organization, as determined by the commission under division (C) of section 3775.03 of the Revised Code.

(b) A professional sports organization and a mobile management services provider described in division (A)(2)(a) of this section shall not exchange any information that may compromise the integrity of sporting events or of sports gaming. The commission shall adopt by rule procedures for the professional sports organization and the mobile management services provider to follow to ensure

the integrity of sporting events and of sports gaming, including procedures to prevent any exchange of information or conflict of interest between the professional sports organization and the mobile management services provider.

(3) A mobile management services provider may offer sports gaming only in accordance with this chapter, with the rules adopted by the Ohio casino control commission under this chapter, and with the nature of the sports gaming proprietor's license.

(B)(1) A mobile management services provider shall be licensed under this section before entering into a contract with a type A sports gaming proprietor as described in division (A) of this section. A mobile management services provider license entitles the holder to contract with one type A sports gaming proprietor. An applicant for an initial or renewed mobile management services provider license shall meet all requirements for licensure established by the commission by rule and shall pay the fee required under division (C)(3) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, along with a nonrefundable application fee in an amount determined by the commission by rule.

(2) The commission may accept another jurisdiction's license, if the commission determines it has similar licensing requirements, as evidence that the applicant meets the requirements for a license issued under this section.

(3) After receiving a mobile management services provider license, the mobile management services provider shall pay the following nonrefundable license fees, as applicable, not later than the dates indicated:

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>A</u>		<u>Upon issuance of license</u>	<u>One year after license issued</u>	<u>Two years after license issued</u>	<u>Three years after license issued</u>	<u>Four years after license issued</u>
<u>B</u>	<u>Initial or renewed license - designated first mobile management services provider for a type A sports gaming proprietor that is a professional sports organization</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>
<u>C</u>	<u>Initial or renewed license - designated</u>	<u>\$750,000</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>

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D	<u>Initial license - designated second mobile management services provider for a type A sports gaming proprietor that is a professional sports organization</u>	<u>\$3,333,333</u>	<u>\$833,333</u>	<u>\$833,333</u>	<u>\$833,333</u>	<u>\$833,333</u>
E	<u>Initial license - designated second mobile management services provider for any other type A sports gaming proprietor</u>	<u>\$2,500,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>
F	<u>Renewed license - designated second mobile management services provider for a type A sports gaming proprietor that is a professional sports organization</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>
G	<u>Renewed license - designated second mobile management services provider for any other type A sports gaming proprietor</u>	<u>\$750,000</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>	<u>\$187,500</u>

(C) A mobile management services provider license shall be valid for a term of five years. In order to renew a mobile management services provider license, the licensee shall apply to the commission for a renewed license in the same manner as for an initial license.

(D) In order to permit a mobile management services provider to offer sports gaming on behalf of a type A sports gaming proprietor, the sports gaming proprietor and the mobile management

services provider shall enter into a written contract that has been approved by the commission. If the sports gaming proprietor and the mobile management services provider wish to make a material change to the contract, the sports gaming proprietor first shall submit the change to the commission for its approval or rejection. The sports gaming proprietor or the mobile management services provider shall not assign, delegate, subcontract, or transfer the mobile management service provider's duties and responsibilities under the contract to a third party.

(E)(1) Subject to division (E)(2) of this section, the provisions of this chapter concerning a type A sports gaming proprietor apply to a mobile management services provider that contracts with the sports gaming proprietor with respect to all rights, duties, and liabilities of the sports gaming proprietor assigned, delegated, subcontracted, or transferred to the mobile management services provider as though the mobile management services provider were a type A sports gaming proprietor. Unless the context requires otherwise, references in the Revised Code to a sports gaming proprietor apply to a mobile management services provider to the extent that the mobile management services provider is acting on behalf of a type A sports gaming proprietor pursuant to the contract.

(2) Division (E)(1) of this section does not permit a mobile management services provider to operate sports gaming other than pursuant to a contract with a type A sports gaming proprietor to operate sports gaming on behalf of the sports gaming proprietor.

(F) The commission shall adopt a rule setting a maximum number of mobile management services provider licenses a person may hold at any one time.

Sec. 3775.051. (A)(1) A type B sports gaming proprietor may contract with one management services provider to offer sports gaming at a sports gaming facility on the sports gaming proprietor's behalf, in a manner authorized under the contract.

(2)(a) If the holder of a type B sports gaming proprietor license is a professional sports organization and is a member of a league, association, or organization that prevents the holder from being subject to the regulatory control of the Ohio casino control commission or from otherwise operating under the license, the professional sports organization may contractually appoint a designee operator that is considered the management services provider for all aspects of commission oversight and operating under the license. The professional sports organization shall not have control over the management services provider, and the management services provider shall not have control over the professional sports organization, as determined by the commission under division (C) of section 3775.03 of the Revised Code.

(b) A professional sports organization and a management services provider described in division (A)(2)(a) of this section shall not exchange any information that may compromise the integrity of sporting events or of sports gaming. The commission shall adopt by rule procedures for the professional sports organization and the management services provider to follow to ensure the integrity of sporting events and of sports gaming, including procedures to prevent any exchange of information or conflict of interest between the professional sports organization and the management services provider.

(3) A type C sports gaming proprietor shall not contract with a mobile management services provider or a management services provider to offer sports gaming under the type C sports gaming proprietor license on the sports gaming proprietor's behalf.

(4) A management services provider may offer sports gaming only in accordance with this

chapter, with the rules adopted by the Ohio casino control commission under this chapter, and with the nature of the sports gaming proprietor's license.

(B)(1) A management services provider shall be licensed under this section before entering into a contract with a type B sports gaming proprietor as described in division (A) of this section. A management services provider license entitles the holder to contract with one type B sports gaming proprietor. An applicant for an initial or renewed management services provider license shall meet all requirements for licensure established by the commission by rule and shall pay the fee required under division (C)(3) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, along with a nonrefundable application fee in an amount determined by the commission by rule.

(2) The commission may accept another jurisdiction's license, if the commission determines it has similar licensing requirements, as evidence that the applicant meets the requirements for a license issued under this section.

(3) After receiving an initial or renewed management services provider license, the applicant shall pay the following nonrefundable license fees, as applicable, not later than the dates indicated:

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>A</u>		<u>Upon issuance of license</u>	<u>One year after license issued</u>	<u>Two years after license issued</u>	<u>Three years after license issued</u>	<u>Four years after license issued</u>
<u>B Management services provider that is contracting with a type B sports gaming proprietor that is also a type A sports gaming proprietor</u>		<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
<u>C Any other management services provider</u>		<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>

(C) A management services provider license shall be valid for a term of five years. In order to renew a management services provider license, the licensee shall apply to the commission for a renewed license in the same manner as for an initial license.

(D) In order to permit a management services provider to offer sports gaming on behalf of a type B sports gaming proprietor, the sports gaming proprietor and the management services provider shall enter into a written contract that has been approved by the commission. If the sports gaming proprietor and the management services provider wish to make a material change to the contract, the sports gaming proprietor first shall submit the change to the commission for its approval or rejection.

The sports gaming proprietor or the management services provider shall not assign, delegate, subcontract, or transfer the management service provider's duties and responsibilities under the contract to a third party.

(E)(1) Subject to division (E)(2) of this section, the provisions of this chapter concerning a type B sports gaming proprietor apply to a management services provider that contracts with the sports gaming proprietor with respect to all rights, duties, and liabilities of the sports gaming proprietor assigned, delegated, subcontracted, or transferred to the management services provider as though the management services provider were a type B sports gaming proprietor. Unless the context requires otherwise, references in the Revised Code to a sports gaming proprietor apply to a management services provider to the extent that the management services provider is acting on behalf of a type B sports gaming proprietor pursuant to the contract.

(2) Division (E)(1) of this section does not permit a management services provider to operate sports gaming other than pursuant to a contract with a type B sports gaming proprietor to operate sports gaming on behalf of the sports gaming proprietor.

(F) The commission shall adopt a rule setting a maximum number of management services provider licenses a person may hold at any one time.

Sec. 3775.06. (A)(1) An individual whose duties include any of the following shall hold an appropriate and valid sports gaming occupational license issued by the Ohio casino control commission at all times:

- (a) Accepting wagers on sporting events on behalf of a sports gaming proprietor;
- (b) Handling money as part of operating sports gaming on behalf of a sports gaming proprietor, including a cashier, change person, count team, or coin wrapper;
- (c) Providing security for the operation of sports gaming by a sports gaming proprietor, including a guard or observer, other than providing general security at a type C sports gaming host's facility;
- (d) Performing other duties such that the individual has the ability to alter material aspects of sports gaming conducted by a sports gaming proprietor.

(2) An individual is not required to have a sports gaming occupational license if the individual's duties are related solely to nongaming activities such as entertainment, maintenance, or preparing or serving food or beverages, including an individual who is, or is employed by, a type C sports gaming host.

(3) The commission shall issue a sports gaming occupational license to an individual who meets the requirements of this chapter and of the commission's rules, provided that the commission's rules shall not require an applicant for a sports gaming occupational license who currently holds a video lottery license issued under Chapter 3770. or a license issued under Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code to take action to satisfy any additional requirement for the sports gaming occupational license that is substantially similar to any requirement the applicant previously has satisfied in order to obtain or renew the applicant's video lottery license or license issued under Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code.

(B) A sports gaming occupational license permits the licensee to be employed in the capacity the commission designates during the duration of the license. The commission may establish by rule job classifications with different requirements.

(C)(1) An applicant for an initial or renewed sports gaming occupational license shall apply for the license on a form prescribed by the commission and shall pay the fee required under division (C)(3) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, along with a nonrefundable application fee of one hundred dollars. The commission may annually increase the amount of the application fee in an amount that does not exceed the percentage increase in the consumer price index for the previous year, as necessary to cover the cost of processing the application. As used in this division, "consumer price index" means the consumer price index for all urban consumers or its successive equivalent, as determined by the United States department of labor, bureau of labor statistics, or its successor in responsibility, for all items, Series A.

(2) Upon receiving an initial or renewed sports gaming occupational license, the applicant shall pay a nonrefundable license fee of fifty dollars.

(3) An applicant's employer may pay the fees described in divisions (C)(1) and (2) of this section on behalf of the applicant.

(D) The commission may adopt rules allowing an individual who holds a sports gaming occupational license from another jurisdiction to be licensed in this state by reciprocity, so long as that jurisdiction's requirements to receive that license and the activities authorized by the license are substantially similar to those of this state with respect to the license the individual seeks.

(E) A sports gaming occupational license shall be valid for a term of three years. In order to renew a sports gaming occupational license, the licensee shall apply to the commission for a renewed license in the same manner as for an initial license.

Sec. 3775.07. (A)(1) The owner of a facility with a D-1, D-2, or D-5 liquor permit issued under Chapter 4303. of the Revised Code who offers sports gaming through a type C sports gaming proprietor using self-service or clerk-operated sports gaming terminals located at the facility shall hold an appropriate and valid type C sports gaming host license issued by the Ohio casino control commission at all times.

(2) The commission shall issue a type C sports gaming host license to any eligible applicant that the state lottery commission recommends. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of this chapter, an applicant for an initial or renewed type C sports gaming host license is not required to undergo a criminal background check or licensure suitability investigation in order to receive the license. The commission shall investigate the applicant to determine whether the applicant is eligible for the license and to ensure that the applicant complies with all applicable provisions of this chapter and of the rules of the commission.

(B) An applicant for an initial or renewed type C sports gaming host license shall apply for the license on a form prescribed by the commission and shall pay a nonrefundable application fee in an amount prescribed by the commission by rule.

(C) Upon receiving an initial or renewed type C sports gaming host license, the applicant shall pay a nonrefundable license fee of one thousand dollars.

(D)(1) Subject to division (D)(2) of this section, a type C sports gaming proprietor and a type C sports gaming host may enter into an agreement specifying the terms under which the type C sports gaming host offers sports gaming through the type C sports gaming proprietor, such as terms requiring the type C sports gaming proprietor and the type C sports gaming host to share the proceeds of sports gaming conducted at the type C sports gaming host's facility. A type C sports gaming

proprietor shall notify the Ohio casino control commission of each type C sports gaming host that offers sports gaming through the type C sports gaming proprietor.

(2) A type C sports gaming proprietor shall not require a type C sports gaming host to pay any portion of the cost of acquiring, installing, operating, adapting, or maintaining any self-service sports gaming terminal in a type C sports gaming host's facility.

(3) Subject to the terms of the type C sports gaming hosts's agreement with a type C sports gaming proprietor, a type C sports gaming host may offer sports gaming through a different type C sports gaming proprietor than the one identified in the type C sports gaming host's license application during the period of the license. The type C sports gaming proprietor shall notify the commission of the change before the change takes effect, in accordance with the rules of the commission.

(E) A type C sports gaming host license shall be valid for a term of three years. In order to renew a type C sports gaming host license, the licensee shall apply to the commission for a renewed license in the same manner as for an initial license.

Sec. 3775.08. (A) A sports gaming supplier shall hold an appropriate and valid sports gaming supplier license issued by the Ohio casino control commission at all times. The commission may accept another jurisdiction's license, if the commission determines it has similar licensing requirements, as evidence that the applicant meets the requirements for a license issued under this section. The commission shall issue a sports gaming supplier license to a person or entity that meets the requirements of this chapter and of the commission's rules, provided that the commission's rules shall not require an applicant for a sports gaming supplier license who currently holds a video lottery license issued under Chapter 3770. or a license issued under Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code to take action to satisfy any additional requirement for the sports gaming supplier license that is substantially similar to any requirement the applicant previously has satisfied in order to obtain or renew the applicant's video lottery license or license issued under Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code.

(B) An applicant for an initial or renewed sports gaming supplier license shall apply for the license on a form prescribed by the commission and shall pay the fee required under division (C)(3) of section 109.572 of the Revised Code, along with a nonrefundable application fee of ten thousand dollars. The commission may annually increase the amount of the application fee in an amount that does not exceed the percentage increase in the consumer price index for the previous year, as necessary to cover the cost of processing the application. As used in this division, "consumer price index" means the consumer price index for all urban consumers or its successive equivalent, as determined by the United States department of labor, bureau of labor statistics, or its successor in responsibility, for all items, Series A.

(C) Upon receiving an initial or renewed sports gaming supplier license, the applicant shall pay a nonrefundable license fee of fifteen thousand dollars.

(D) A sports gaming supplier license shall be valid for a term of three years. In order to renew a sports gaming supplier license, the licensee shall apply to the commission for a renewed license in the same manner as for an initial license.

Sec. 3775.09. (A) An applicant for a sports gaming license, other than a type C sports gaming host license, shall establish the applicant's suitability for the license by clear and convincing evidence.

(B) The Ohio casino control commission shall not grant a sports gaming license, other than a

type C sports gaming host license, to an applicant if evidence satisfactory to the commission exists that the applicant has done any of the following:

(1) Knowingly made a false statement to the commission;

(2) Been suspended from operating a gambling game, gaming device, or gaming operation, or had a license revoked by any governmental unit of a national, state, or local body exercising governmental functions;

(3) Been convicted of a disqualifying offense, as defined in section 3772.07 of the Revised Code;

(4) Been directly involved in or employed by any offshore wagering market that illegally serviced the United States or otherwise accepted illegal wagers from individuals located in the United States on or after April 16, 2015.

(C) The commission may deny a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider license to any applicant, reprimand any sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider, or suspend or revoke a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider license if any of the following are true:

(1) The applicant or licensee has not demonstrated to the commission's satisfaction financial responsibility sufficient to adequately meet the requirements of the enterprise.

(2) The applicant or licensee is not the true owner of the business or is not the sole owner and has not disclosed the existence or identity of other persons who have an ownership interest in the business.

(3) The applicant or licensee is a corporation that sells more than five per cent of the corporation's voting stock, or more than five per cent of the voting stock of a corporation that controls the corporation, or sells the corporation's assets, other than those bought and sold in the ordinary course of business, or any interest in the assets, to any person who, under division (C) of section 3775.03 of the Revised Code, must meet the qualifications of a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider, as applicable, and who has not already been determined by the commission to have met the applicable qualifications.

(D)(1) The commission shall revoke a sports gaming proprietor license that was issued or renewed because of the preference described in division (A) of section 3775.041 of the Revised Code if the sports gaming proprietor ceases to qualify as a professional sports organization, if the casino operator ceases to be a casino operator, or if the video lottery sales agent ceases to be a video lottery sales agent, as applicable.

(2) The commission shall revoke a type C sports gaming host license if the licensee ceases to hold a valid class D liquor permit for the facility issued under Chapter 4303. of the Revised Code.

(E) The commission shall not grant a sports gaming license to any of the following persons:

(1) A nonprofit corporation or organization;

(2) An individual who is under twenty-one years of age;

(3) An employee of the commission.

Sec. 3775.091. (A) The director of administrative services shall engage an independent consultant to conduct a study to determine whether, and the extent to which, qualified persons experience discrimination or disadvantage in the sports gaming industry on the basis of their

membership in a racial minority group, their color or ethnicity, their gender, or their disability. The director shall provide the results of the study to the Ohio casino control commission and shall inform the commission whether, in the director's opinion, the results of the study warrant action by the commission under division (B) of this section.

(B) If the commission determines that the results of the study described in division (A) of this section so warrant, the commission shall establish goals to ensure that sports gaming licenses are issued to applicants described in division (A) of this section on an equitable basis with other applicants and shall disseminate information about the commission's licensing goals through targeted media.

(C) The commission may require, by rule, that sports gaming proprietors pay the cost of disseminating information through targeted media under division (B) of this section.

Sec. 3775.10. (A) A sports gaming proprietor shall do all of the following:

(1) Conduct all sports gaming activities and functions in a manner that does not pose a threat to the public health, safety, or welfare of the citizens of this state;

(2) Adopt comprehensive house rules for game play governing sports gaming transactions with its patrons, including rules that specify the amounts to be paid on winning wagers and the effect of schedule changes, and submit them to the Ohio casino control commission for approval before implementing them. The sports gaming proprietor shall publish its house rules as part of its minimum internal control standards, shall display the house rules, together with any other information the commission considers appropriate, conspicuously in each sports gaming facility and in any other place or manner prescribed by the commission, and shall make copies of its house rules readily available to patrons.

(3) Keep current in all payments and obligations to the commission;

(4) Provide a secure location for the placement, operation, and use of sports gaming equipment;

(5) Prevent any person from tampering with or interfering with the operation of sports gaming;

(6) Employ commercially reasonable methods to prevent the sports gaming proprietor and its agents and employees from disclosing any confidential information in the possession of the sports gaming proprietor that could affect the conduct of sports gaming;

(7) Ensure that sports gaming conducted at a sports gaming facility is within the sight and control of designated employees of the sports gaming proprietor and that sports gaming is conducted under continuous observation by security equipment in conformity with the specifications and requirements of the commission;

(8) Ensure that sports gaming occurs only in the locations and manner approved by the commission;

(9) Ensure that all sports gaming is monitored in accordance with division (I) of section 3775.02 of the Revised Code;

(10) Maintain sufficient funds and other supplies to conduct sports gaming at all times;

(11) Maintain daily records showing the sports gaming proprietor's sports gaming receipts and timely file with the commission any additional reports required by rule or by other provisions of the Revised Code;

(12) Withhold all required amounts from patrons' sports gaming winnings;

(13) Submit to the commission, each fiscal year, an audit of the sports gaming proprietor's financial transactions and the condition of the sports gaming proprietor's total operations prepared by a certified public accountant in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and applicable state and federal laws;

(14) Submit to the commission, at least once every three years, an audit of the sports gaming proprietor's information technology systems and security protocols prepared by a qualified, independent, and capable third party, as determined by, and in a manner approved by, the commission;

(15) Promptly provide anonymized sports gaming data to a sports governing body or a state university that submits a valid request for the data under division (B)(13) or (14) of section 3775.02 of the Revised Code.

(B) A sports gaming proprietor immediately shall report to the commission any information in the sports gaming proprietor's possession related to any of the following:

(1) Any wager in violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter or of federal law;

(2) Abnormal sports gaming activity or patterns that may indicate a concern regarding the integrity of a sporting event;

(3) Suspicious wagering activities;

(4) Any conduct that corrupts a wagering outcome of a sporting event for purposes of financial gain;

(5) Any criminal or disciplinary proceedings commenced against the sports gaming proprietor by any person other than the commission in connection with the sports gaming proprietor's operations.

(C) A sports gaming proprietor may manage risk associated with wagers by rejecting or pooling one or more wagers or by laying off one or more wagers with another sports gaming proprietor.

(D) A sports gaming proprietor may employ a system that offsets loss or manages risk in the operation of sports gaming under this chapter through the use of a liquidity pool in another jurisdiction in which the sports gaming proprietor or an affiliate or other third party also holds licensure, provided that at all times adequate protections are maintained to ensure sufficient funds are available to pay patrons.

(E) A sports gaming proprietor may provide promotional gaming credits to patrons, subject to oversight by the commission.

(F) If a sports gaming patron does not claim a winning wager from a sports gaming proprietor within one year from the last day on which the sporting event is held, the sports gaming proprietor's obligation to pay the winnings shall expire, and the sports gaming proprietor shall remit the winnings to the commission, which shall deposit them in the sports gaming revenue fund.

(G) A sports gaming proprietor is not liable under the laws of this state to any party, including a patron, for disclosing information as required under this chapter or for refusing to disclose information that is not required by law to be disclosed.

(H)(1) A sports gaming proprietor shall maintain the confidentiality of any information

provided to the sports gaming proprietor by a sports governing body that the sports governing body designates as confidential, except as otherwise required by law or by order of the commission. The sports gaming proprietor shall not use such confidential information for business or marketing purposes, except with the express written approval of the sports governing body.

(2) A sports governing body shall maintain the confidentiality of any information provided to the sports governing body by a sports gaming proprietor that the sports gaming proprietor designates as confidential, except as otherwise required by law or by order of the commission. The sports governing body shall not use such confidential information for business or marketing purposes, except with the express written approval of the sports gaming proprietor.

Sec. 3775.11. (A) A type A sports gaming proprietor may operate one or more online sports pool web sites and accompanying mobile applications through which the sports gaming proprietor accepts wagers from individuals who are at least twenty-one years of age and who are physically located in this state. The sports gaming proprietor shall use location based technology to prohibit individuals who are not physically present in this state from participating in sports gaming through an online sports pool.

(B)(1) As used in division (B) of this section, "sports gaming account" means an electronic account that an individual may establish for the purpose of sports gaming, including making deposits and withdrawals, wagering amounts, and receiving payouts on winning wagers.

(2) A sports gaming proprietor may accept a wager from an individual through an online sports pool only using the individual's sports gaming account. The sports gaming account shall be in the individual's full legal name and shall not be in the name of any beneficiary, custodian, joint trust, corporation, partnership, or other organization or entity.

(3) A sports gaming account may be established and funded in person through employees or sales agents of a sports gaming proprietor or, pursuant to rules adopted by the Ohio casino control commission, over the internet through a sports gaming proprietor's web site or mobile application in a manner that complies with the sports gaming proprietor's internal controls.

(C) The server responsible for accepting wagers through an online sports pool shall be located in a secure facility in this state.

(D) An online sports pool web site and its accompanying mobile application shall include the name or logo of each of the following in a conspicuous manner:

(1) The type A sports gaming proprietor;

(2) The mobile management services provider that operates the online sports pool on behalf of the type A sports gaming proprietor, if applicable.

Sec. 3775.12. (A) A type B sports gaming proprietor may accept wagers on sporting events that are made in person only from individuals who are at least twenty-one years of age and who are physically present in a sports gaming facility.

(B)(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (B)(2) of this section, before accepting any wager on a sporting event, a type B sports gaming proprietor shall require the individual to register with the sports gaming proprietor, provide the individual's full legal name and any other information required by the Ohio casino control commission or requested by the sports gaming proprietor, and place all wagers on sporting events placed with the sports gaming proprietor through that registration.

(2) A type B sports gaming proprietor may accept an anonymous wager from an individual,

so long as the amount of the wager does not exceed a dollar limit determined by the commission by rule.

(C) Except as provided in divisions (C)(1) and (2) of this section, no individual who is under twenty-one years of age shall enter a sports gaming facility.

(1) An employee of a sports gaming proprietor who is eighteen, nineteen, or twenty years of age may be present in a sports gaming facility, so long as the employee's duties are not related to sports gaming.

(2) An individual who is under twenty-one years of age may enter a sports gaming facility in order to pass to another area where sports gaming is not being conducted, but only if the individual is personally escorted by an employee of the sports gaming proprietor who remains in close proximity to the individual at all times in accordance with the rules of the commission.

Sec. 3775.13. (A) No individual who is on the Ohio casino control commission's sports gaming exclusion list created under section 3772.031 of the Revised Code shall enter a sports gaming facility or the grounds of a sports gaming facility or participate in the play or operation of sports gaming in this state. A sports gaming proprietor shall employ commercially reasonable methods to prevent an individual who is on the commission's sports gaming exclusion list from engaging in sports gaming conducted by the sports gaming proprietor.

(B)(1) A sports gaming proprietor may exclude any individual from entering a sports gaming facility, or the grounds of a sports gaming facility, that is under the control of the sports gaming proprietor and may exclude any individual from participating in the play or operation of sports gaming conducted by the sports gaming proprietor. The sports gaming proprietor shall keep a list of all excluded individuals. No individual who is on a sports gaming proprietor's exclusion list shall enter a sports gaming facility, or the grounds of a sports gaming facility, that is under the control of the sports gaming proprietor or participate in the play or operation of sports gaming conducted by the sports gaming proprietor under this chapter.

(2) If a sports gaming proprietor excludes an individual because the sports gaming proprietor determines that the individual engaged or attempted to engage in any sports gaming related activity that is prohibited under this chapter or under the commission's rules, the sports gaming proprietor shall report that fact to the Ohio casino control commission.

(C)(1) A sports gaming proprietor shall employ commercially reasonable methods to prevent any person who is participating in the sports gaming voluntary exclusion program from engaging in sports gaming conducted by the sports gaming proprietor.

(2) Absent gross negligence, all of the following persons are immune from any type of civil liability on the basis that a person who is participating in the sports gaming voluntary exclusion program enters or accesses a sports gaming facility or participates in sports gaming conducted under this chapter:

(a) The commission or any other agency of this state and its agents or employees;

(b) A sports gaming licensee and its agents or employees.

(D) No sports gaming proprietor, no director, officer, agent, or employee of a sports gaming proprietor, no other person who has a financial interest in a sports gaming proprietor, and no person living in the same household as any of those persons, shall engage in any sports gaming conducted by the sports gaming proprietor, other than as part of operating sports gaming or as part of the

employee's employment. A sports gaming proprietor shall employ commercially reasonable methods to prevent those persons, and any other person who has access to confidential information held by the sports gaming proprietor, from engaging in sports gaming conducted by the sports gaming proprietor.

(E) No member or employee of the Ohio casino control commission or the state lottery commission shall knowingly participate in sports gaming conducted by a sports gaming proprietor in this state or participate in sports gaming with any person or entity located outside this state that is directly or indirectly owned or operated by a sports gaming proprietor. A sports gaming proprietor shall employ commercially reasonable methods to prevent such a person from engaging in sports gaming conducted by the sports gaming proprietor.

(F)(1) A sports gaming proprietor shall employ commercially reasonable methods to prevent any person involved in a sporting event with respect to which sports gaming is permitted from engaging in any sports gaming with the sports gaming proprietor, based on publicly available information and any information provided by a sports governing body under division (F)(2) of this section.

(2) The Ohio casino control commission shall adopt rules specifying a procedure for a sports governing body to provide to the commission a list of persons who are involved in sporting events, including those persons' full legal names, dates of birth, and social security numbers, for the purpose of preventing those persons from engaging in sports gaming. The commission shall make the list available to each sports gaming proprietor and to the state lottery commission. The Ohio casino control commission, the state lottery commission, and each sports gaming proprietor shall keep the information in the list confidential.

(3) For purposes of division (F) of this section, a person is considered to be involved in a sporting event if the person is an athlete, participant, coach, referee, team owner, or sports governing body with respect to the sporting event; any agent or employee of such an athlete, participant, coach, referee, team owner, or sports governing body; and any agent or employee of an athlete, participant, or referee union with respect to the sporting event.

(G) A sports gaming proprietor shall employ commercially reasonable methods to prevent any person from placing a wager with the sports gaming proprietor on behalf of another person.

Sec. 3775.14. (A) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 149.43 of the Revised Code, the Ohio casino control commission shall not disclose to the public any of the following:

(1) Any of the following information or documents concerning a person who has applied for or been issued a license under this chapter or the person's spouse, dependent, or employee, unless the person authorizes the commission to disclose the information:

(a) A social security number, passport number, or federal tax identification number;

(b) A home address, telephone number, or electronic mail address;

(c) A birth certificate;

(d) A driver's license or state identification card number;

(e) The name or address of a previous spouse;

(f) A date or place of birth;

(g) Any personal financial information or records, including personal tax returns and information and records of criminal proceedings;

(h) Any information concerning a minor child;

(i) Any information concerning a person the commission has reason to know is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking;

(j) Any trade secret, medical records, or patents or exclusive licenses;

(k) Security information, including risk prevention plans, detection and countermeasures, location of count rooms or other money storage areas, emergency management plans, security and surveillance plans, equipment and usage protocols, and theft and fraud prevention plans and countermeasures;

(l) Any other information that the commission receives from another jurisdiction relating to a person who holds, held, or has applied for a license under this chapter.

(2) Any information in a list provided to the commission by a sports governing body under division (F)(2) of section 3775.13 of the Revised Code.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in division (A) of this section, all of the following information is subject to disclosure as a public record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code:

(1) The information a sports gaming proprietor or an applicant for a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider license has submitted to the commission as part of applying for or renewing a sports gaming proprietor, mobile management services provider, or management services provider license;

(2) The name, place of employment, job title, and gaming experience of a person who has applied for or been issued a license under this chapter;

(3) The commission's reasons for denying or revoking a license under this chapter or for taking other disciplinary action under this chapter.

(C) Division (A) of this section does not prohibit the commission from disclosing information and documents described in that division to the state lottery commission or to the inspector general, a prosecuting authority, a law enforcement agency, or any other appropriate governmental entity or licensing agency, provided that the recipient shall not disclose the information and documents to the public.

Sec. 3775.15. (A) All shipments of gambling devices, including any sports gaming equipment, to sports gaming proprietors, mobile management services providers, management services providers, sports gaming suppliers, or type C sports gaming hosts in this state are legal shipments of gambling devices into this state, as long as the supplier has completed the registering, recording, and labeling of the equipment in accordance with the "Gambling Devices Act of 1962," 15 U.S.C. 1171 to 1178.

(B) This state is exempt from section 2 of the "Gambling Devices Act of 1962," 15 U.S.C. 1172.

Sec. 3775.16. (A) Pursuant to section 131.02 of the Revised Code, the attorney general shall develop and implement a real time data match program and make it available to each sports gaming proprietor to identify patrons who owe amounts to the state or a political subdivision.

(B)(1) Before disbursing any sports gaming winnings to a patron in an amount for which reporting to the internal revenue service of the amount is required by section 6041 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, a sports gaming proprietor shall consult the data match program to determine whether the patron owes any amounts to the state or a political subdivision. If the data match program indicates that the patron owes any amounts to the state or a political subdivision, the

sports gaming proprietor shall withhold from the patron's winnings an amount sufficient to satisfy those amounts, up to the amount of the winnings.

(2) If the data match program described in section 3123.90 of the Revised Code indicates that the patron also is in default under a support order, the sports gaming proprietor shall transmit to the department of job and family services an amount sufficient to satisfy any past due support owed by the patron, up to the amount of the winnings, before transmitting any remaining amount to the attorney general under division (C) of this section.

(C)(1) Not later than fourteen days after withholding an amount under division (B) of this section, the sports gaming proprietor shall transmit to the attorney general any amount withheld and not already disbursed to the department of job and family services under section 3123.90 of the Revised Code as payment on the amount owed.

(2) If the patron owes more than one amount to the state or a political subdivision as identified by the data match program described in this section, the amount owed to the state shall be satisfied first, except that any amounts owed under section 5739.33 and division (G) of section 5747.07 of the Revised Code shall have first priority.

(D) Except as otherwise provided in section 131.021 of the Revised Code, this section applies only to amounts owed that have become final.

(E) The attorney general, in consultation with the commission, may adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as necessary to implement this section.

Sec. 3775.99. (A) Whoever knowingly does any of the following commits a misdemeanor of the first degree on the first offense and a felony of the fifth degree on a subsequent offense:

- (1) Makes a false statement on an application submitted under this chapter;
- (2) Permits an individual under twenty-one years of age to engage in sports gaming;
- (3) Aids, induces, or causes an individual under twenty-one years of age who is not an employee of the sports gaming proprietor to enter or attempt to enter a sports gaming facility;
- (4) Enters or attempts to enter a sports gaming facility while under twenty-one years of age, except as permitted under division (C) of section 3775.12 of the Revised Code;
- (5) Participates in sports gaming in violation of division (D) of section 3775.13 of the Revised Code, other than as part of operating sports gaming or as part of the employee's employment.

(B) Whoever knowingly does any of the following commits a felony of the fifth degree on a first offense and a felony of the fourth degree on a subsequent offense. If the person is a sports gaming licensee under this chapter, the Ohio casino control commission shall revoke the person's license issued under this chapter after the first offense.

(1) Offers, promises, or gives anything of value to anyone for the purpose of influencing the outcome of a sporting event or attempts to do so;

(2) Places, increases, or decreases a wager after acquiring knowledge not available to the general public that anyone has been offered, promised, or given anything of value for the purpose of influencing the outcome of the sporting event upon which the wager is placed, increased, or decreased, or attempts to do so;

(3) Manufactures, sells, or distributes any device that is intended by that person to be used to violate any provision of this chapter or the sports gaming laws of any other state;

(4) Places a bet or aids any other person in placing a bet on a sporting event after unlawfully acquiring knowledge of the outcome on which winnings from that bet are contingent;

(5) Claims, collects, or takes anything of value from a sports gaming proprietor with intent to defraud or attempts to do so without having made a wager in which the amount or value is legitimately won or owed;

(6) Places a wager using counterfeit currency or other counterfeit form of credit approved for wagering;

(7) Possesses any device intended to be used to violate this chapter or any rule adopted under this chapter, or any materials used to manufacture such a device. This division does not apply to a sports gaming proprietor or to an agent or employee of a sports gaming proprietor who is acting in furtherance of the sports gaming proprietor's interest.

(8) Changes or alters the normal outcome of any sports gaming conducted through an online sports pool, including any system used to monitor the online sports pool, or the way in which the outcome is reported to any patron;

(9) Operates sports gaming in a manner other than the manner required under this chapter. Premises or any internet web site used or occupied in violation of this division constitute a nuisance subject to abatement under Chapter 3767. of the Revised Code.

(C) Whoever knowingly does any of the following commits a felony of the third degree. If the person is a sports gaming licensee under this chapter, the commission shall revoke the person's license issued under this chapter after the first offense. If the person is a public servant or political party official, the person is forever disqualified from holding any public office, employment, or position of trust in this state.

(1) Offers, promises, or gives anything of value or benefit to a person who is connected with a sports gaming proprietor, an agent or employee of a sports gaming proprietor, or a member, agent, or employee of the Ohio casino control commission or the state lottery commission, under an agreement to influence, or with the intent to influence, the actions of the person to whom the offer, promise, or gift is made in order to affect or attempt to affect the outcome of sports gaming or an official action of a member, agent, or employee of the Ohio casino control commission or the state lottery commission;

(2) Solicits, accepts, or receives a promise of anything of value or benefit while the person is connected with a sports gaming proprietor, an agent or employee of a sports gaming proprietor, or a member, agent, or employee of the Ohio casino control commission or the state lottery commission, under an agreement to influence, or with the intent to influence, the actions of the person to affect or attempt to affect the outcome of sports gaming or an official action of a member, agent, or employee of the Ohio casino control commission or the state lottery commission.

(D) Whoever knowingly does any of the following while participating in sports gaming or otherwise transacting with a sports gaming proprietor as permitted under this chapter or sections 3770.23 to 3770.25 of the Revised Code commits a felony of the fifth degree on a first offense and a felony of the fourth degree on a subsequent offense:

(1) Causes or attempts to cause the person to fail to file a report required under 31 U.S.C. 5313(a) or 5325 or any regulation prescribed thereunder or section 1315.53 of the Revised Code, or to fail to file a report or maintain a record required by an order issued under section 21 of the

"Federal Deposit Insurance Act" or section 123 of Pub. L. No. 91-508:

(2) Causes or attempts to cause the person to file a report under 31 U.S.C. 5313(a) or 5325 or any regulation prescribed thereunder or section 1315.53 of the Revised Code, to file a report or to maintain a record required by any order issued under 31 U.S.C. 3126, or to maintain a record required under any regulation prescribed under section 21 of the "Federal Deposit Insurance Act" or section 123 of Pub. L. No. 91-508 that contains a material omission or misstatement of fact;

(3) With one or more sports gaming proprietors, structures a transaction, is complicit in structuring a transaction, attempts to structure a transaction, or is complicit in an attempt to structure a transaction. As used in this division:

(a) To be "complicit" means to engage in any conduct of a type described in divisions (A)(1) to (4) of section 2923.03 of the Revised Code.

(b) "Structure a transaction" has the same meaning as in section 1315.51 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5703.21. (A) Except as provided in divisions (B) and (C) of this section, no agent of the department of taxation, except in the agent's report to the department or when called on to testify in any court or proceeding, shall divulge any information acquired by the agent as to the transactions, property, or business of any person while acting or claiming to act under orders of the department. Whoever violates this provision shall thereafter be disqualified from acting as an officer or employee or in any other capacity under appointment or employment of the department.

(B)(1) For purposes of an audit pursuant to section 117.15 of the Revised Code, or an audit of the department pursuant to Chapter 117. of the Revised Code, or an audit, pursuant to that chapter, the objective of which is to express an opinion on a financial report or statement prepared or issued pursuant to division (A)(7) or (9) of section 126.21 of the Revised Code, the officers and employees of the auditor of state charged with conducting the audit shall have access to and the right to examine any state tax returns and state tax return information in the possession of the department to the extent that the access and examination are necessary for purposes of the audit. Any information acquired as the result of that access and examination shall not be divulged for any purpose other than as required for the audit or unless the officers and employees are required to testify in a court or proceeding under compulsion of legal process. Whoever violates this provision shall thereafter be disqualified from acting as an officer or employee or in any other capacity under appointment or employment of the auditor of state.

(2) For purposes of an internal audit pursuant to section 126.45 of the Revised Code, the officers and employees of the office of internal audit in the office of budget and management charged with directing the internal audit shall have access to and the right to examine any state tax returns and state tax return information in the possession of the department to the extent that the access and examination are necessary for purposes of the internal audit. Any information acquired as the result of that access and examination shall not be divulged for any purpose other than as required for the internal audit or unless the officers and employees are required to testify in a court or proceeding under compulsion of legal process. Whoever violates this provision shall thereafter be disqualified from acting as an officer or employee or in any other capacity under appointment or employment of the office of internal audit.

(3) As provided by section 6103(d)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, any federal tax returns

or federal tax information that the department has acquired from the internal revenue service, through federal and state statutory authority, may be disclosed to the auditor of state or the office of internal audit solely for purposes of an audit of the department.

(4) For purposes of Chapter 3739. of the Revised Code, an agent of the department of taxation may share information with the division of state fire marshal that the agent finds during the course of an investigation.

(C) Division (A) of this section does not prohibit any of the following:

(1) Divulging information contained in applications, complaints, and related documents filed with the department under section 5715.27 of the Revised Code or in applications filed with the department under section 5715.39 of the Revised Code;

(2) Providing information to the office of child support within the department of job and family services pursuant to section 3125.43 of the Revised Code;

(3) Disclosing to the motor vehicle repair board any information in the possession of the department that is necessary for the board to verify the existence of an applicant's valid vendor's license and current state tax identification number under section 4775.07 of the Revised Code;

(4) Providing information to the administrator of workers' compensation pursuant to sections 4123.271 and 4123.591 of the Revised Code;

(5) Providing to the attorney general information the department obtains under division (J) of section 1346.01 of the Revised Code;

(6) Permitting properly authorized officers, employees, or agents of a municipal corporation from inspecting reports or information pursuant to section 718.84 of the Revised Code or rules adopted under section 5745.16 of the Revised Code;

(7) Providing information regarding the name, account number, or business address of a holder of a vendor's license issued pursuant to section 5739.17 of the Revised Code, a holder of a direct payment permit issued pursuant to section 5739.031 of the Revised Code, or a seller having a use tax account maintained pursuant to section 5741.17 of the Revised Code, or information regarding the active or inactive status of a vendor's license, direct payment permit, or seller's use tax account;

(8) Releasing invoices or invoice information furnished under section 4301.433 of the Revised Code pursuant to that section;

(9) Providing to a county auditor notices or documents concerning or affecting the taxable value of property in the county auditor's county. Unless authorized by law to disclose documents so provided, the county auditor shall not disclose such documents;

(10) Providing to a county auditor sales or use tax return or audit information under section 333.06 of the Revised Code;

(11) Subject to section 4301.441 of the Revised Code, disclosing to the appropriate state agency information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to verify a permit holder's gallonage or noncompliance with taxes levied under Chapter 4301. or 4305. of the Revised Code;

(12) Disclosing to the department of natural resources information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary for the department of taxation to verify the taxpayer's compliance with section 5749.02 of the Revised Code or to allow the department of natural resources

to enforce Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code;

(13) Disclosing to the department of job and family services, industrial commission, and bureau of workers' compensation information in the possession of the department of taxation solely for the purpose of identifying employers that misclassify employees as independent contractors or that fail to properly report and pay employer tax liabilities. The department of taxation shall disclose only such information that is necessary to verify employer compliance with law administered by those agencies.

(14) Disclosing to the Ohio casino control commission information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to verify a casino operator's or sports gaming proprietor's compliance with section ~~5747.063 or~~ 5753.02, or 5753.021 of the Revised Code and sections related thereto;

(15) Disclosing to the state lottery commission information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to verify a lottery sales agent's compliance with section 5747.064 of the Revised Code.

(16) Disclosing to the department of development information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to ensure compliance with the laws of this state governing taxation and to verify information reported to the department of development for the purpose of evaluating potential tax credits, tax deductions, grants, or loans. Such information shall not include information received from the internal revenue service the disclosure of which is prohibited by section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code. No officer, employee, or agent of the department of development shall disclose any information provided to the department of development by the department of taxation under division (C)(16) of this section except when disclosure of the information is necessary for, and made solely for the purpose of facilitating, the evaluation of potential tax credits, tax deductions, grants, or loans.

(17) Disclosing to the department of insurance information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to ensure a taxpayer's compliance with the requirements with any tax credit administered by the department of development and claimed by the taxpayer against any tax administered by the superintendent of insurance. No officer, employee, or agent of the department of insurance shall disclose any information provided to the department of insurance by the department of taxation under division (C)(17) of this section.

(18) Disclosing to the division of liquor control information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary for the division and department to comply with the requirements of sections 4303.26 and 4303.271 of the Revised Code.

(19) Disclosing to the department of education, upon that department's request, information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary only to verify whether the family income of a student applying for or receiving a scholarship under the educational choice scholarship pilot program is equal to, less than, or greater than the income thresholds prescribed by section 3310.032 of the Revised Code. The department of education shall provide sufficient information about the student and the student's family to enable the department of taxation to make the verification.

(20) Disclosing to the Ohio rail development commission information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary to ensure compliance with the laws of this state

governing taxation and to verify information reported to the commission for the purpose of evaluating potential grants or loans. Such information shall not include information received from the internal revenue service the disclosure of which is prohibited by section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code. No member, officer, employee, or agent of the Ohio rail development commission shall disclose any information provided to the commission by the department of taxation under division (C)(20) of this section except when disclosure of the information is necessary for, and made solely for the purpose of facilitating, the evaluation of potential grants or loans.

(21) Disclosing to the state racing commission information in the possession of the department of taxation that is necessary for verification of compliance with and for enforcement and administration of the taxes levied by Chapter 3769. of the Revised Code. Such information shall include information that is necessary for the state racing commission to verify compliance with Chapter 3769. of the Revised Code for the purposes of issuance, denial, suspension, or revocation of a permit pursuant to section 3769.03 or 3769.06 of the Revised Code and related sections. Unless disclosure is otherwise authorized by law, information provided to the state racing commission under this section remains confidential and is not subject to public disclosure pursuant to section 3769.041 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5747.02. (A) For the purpose of providing revenue for the support of schools and local government functions, to provide relief to property taxpayers, to provide revenue for the general revenue fund, and to meet the expenses of administering the tax levied by this chapter, there is hereby levied on every individual, trust, and estate residing in or earning or receiving income in this state, on every individual, trust, and estate earning or receiving lottery winnings, prizes, or awards pursuant to Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code, on every individual, trust, and estate earning or receiving winnings on casino or sports gaming, and on every individual, trust, and estate otherwise having nexus with or in this state under the Constitution of the United States, an annual tax measured as prescribed in divisions (A)(1) to (4) of this section.

(1) In the case of trusts, the tax imposed by this section shall be measured by modified Ohio taxable income under division (D) of this section and levied in the same amount as the tax is imposed on estates as prescribed in division (A)(2) of this section.

(2) In the case of estates, the tax imposed by this section shall be measured by Ohio taxable income. The tax shall be levied at the rate of 1.38462% for the first twenty-five thousand dollars of such income and, for income in excess of that amount, the tax shall be levied at the same rates prescribed in division (A)(3) of this section for individuals.

(3) In the case of individuals, the tax imposed by this section on income other than taxable business income shall be measured by Ohio adjusted gross income, less taxable business income and less an exemption for the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse, and each dependent as provided in section 5747.025 of the Revised Code. If the balance thus obtained is equal to or less than twenty-five thousand dollars, no tax shall be imposed on that balance. If the balance thus obtained is greater than twenty-five thousand dollars, the tax is hereby levied as follows:

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A	OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS TAXABLE BUSINESS INCOME AND EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS) OR MODIFIED OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS) OR OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES)	TAX
B	More than \$25,000 but not more than \$44,250	\$346.16 plus 2.765% of the amount in excess of \$25,000
C	More than \$44,250 but not more than \$88,450	\$878.42 plus 3.226% of the amount in excess of \$44,250
D	More than \$88,450 but not more than \$110,650	\$2,304.31 plus 3.688% of the amount in excess of \$88,450
E	More than \$110,650	\$3,123.05 plus 3.990% of the amount in excess of \$110,650

(4)(a) In the case of individuals, the tax imposed by this section on taxable business income shall equal three per cent of the result obtained by subtracting any amount allowed under division (A)(4)(b) of this section from the individual's taxable business income.

(b) If the exemptions allowed to an individual under division (A)(3) of this section exceed the taxpayer's Ohio adjusted gross income less taxable business income, the excess shall be deducted from taxable business income before computing the tax under division (A)(4)(a) of this section.

(5) Except as otherwise provided in this division, in August of each year, the tax commissioner shall make a new adjustment to the income amounts prescribed in divisions (A)(2) and (3) of this section by multiplying the percentage increase in the gross domestic product deflator computed that year under section 5747.025 of the Revised Code by each of the income amounts resulting from the adjustment under this division in the preceding year, adding the resulting product to the corresponding income amount resulting from the adjustment in the preceding year, and rounding the resulting sum to the nearest multiple of fifty dollars. The tax commissioner also shall recompute each of the tax dollar amounts to the extent necessary to reflect the new adjustment of the income amounts. To recompute the tax dollar amount corresponding to the lowest tax rate in division (A)(3) of this section, the commissioner shall multiply the tax rate prescribed in division (A)(2) of this section by the income amount specified in that division and as adjusted according to this paragraph. The rates of taxation shall not be adjusted.

The adjusted amounts apply to taxable years beginning in the calendar year in which the adjustments are made and to taxable years beginning in each ensuing calendar year until a calendar year in which a new adjustment is made pursuant to this division. The tax commissioner shall not

make a new adjustment in any year in which the amount resulting from the adjustment would be less than the amount resulting from the adjustment in the preceding year.

(B) If the director of budget and management makes a certification to the tax commissioner under division (B) of section 131.44 of the Revised Code, the amount of tax as determined under divisions (A)(1) to (3) of this section shall be reduced by the percentage prescribed in that certification for taxable years beginning in the calendar year in which that certification is made.

(C)(1) The tax imposed by this section on a trust shall be computed by multiplying the Ohio modified taxable income of the trust by the rates prescribed by division (A) of this section.

(2) A resident trust may claim a credit against the tax computed under division (C) of this section equal to the lesser of (a) the tax paid to another state or the District of Columbia on the resident trust's modified nonbusiness income, other than the portion of the resident trust's nonbusiness income that is qualifying investment income as defined in section 5747.012 of the Revised Code, or (b) the effective tax rate, based on modified Ohio taxable income, multiplied by the resident trust's modified nonbusiness income other than the portion of the resident trust's nonbusiness income that is qualifying investment income. The credit applies before any other applicable credits.

(3) Any credit authorized against the tax imposed by this section applies to a trust subject to division (C) of this section only if the trust otherwise qualifies for the credit. To the extent that the trust distributes income for the taxable year for which a credit is available to the trust, the credit shall be shared by the trust and its beneficiaries. The tax commissioner and the trust shall be guided by applicable regulations of the United States treasury regarding the sharing of credits.

(D) For the purposes of this section, "trust" means any trust described in Subchapter J of Chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code, excluding trusts that are not irrevocable as defined in division (I)(3)(b) of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code and that have no modified Ohio taxable income for the taxable year, charitable remainder trusts, qualified funeral trusts and preneed funeral contract trusts established pursuant to sections 4717.31 to 4717.38 of the Revised Code that are not qualified funeral trusts, endowment and perpetual care trusts, qualified settlement trusts and funds, designated settlement trusts and funds, and trusts exempted from taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(E) Nothing in division (A)(3) of this section shall prohibit an individual with an Ohio adjusted gross income, less taxable business income and exemptions, of twenty-five thousand dollars or less from filing a return under this chapter to receive a refund of taxes withheld or to claim any refundable credit allowed under this chapter.

Sec. 5747.062. As used in this section, "transferee" has the same meaning as in section 3770.10 of the Revised Code, and "recipient" includes a transferee.

(A)(1) ~~The~~ Before making any other deduction required by Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code, the state lottery commission shall deduct and withhold an amount equal to four per cent of the payment from each lottery prize award payment that exceeds five thousand dollars an amount equal to four per cent of the payment, prior to making any other reduction required by Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code is of an amount for which reporting to the internal revenue service of the amount is required by section 6041 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

(2) On or before the tenth day of each month, the state lottery commission, and each transferee required to deduct and withhold amounts pursuant to section 3770.072 of the Revised

Code, shall file a return and remit to the tax commissioner all amounts deducted and withheld pursuant to this section during the preceding month.

(3) On or before the thirty-first day of January of each year, the state lottery commission, and each transferee required to deduct and withhold amounts pursuant to section 3770.072 of the Revised Code, shall file with the commissioner an annual return, in the form prescribed by the tax commissioner, indicating the total amount deducted and withheld pursuant to this section or section 3770.072 of the Revised Code during the preceding calendar year. At the time of filing that return, the state lottery commission or transferee shall remit any amount deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year that was not previously remitted.

(4) The state lottery commission, and each transferee required to deduct and withhold amounts pursuant to section 3770.072 of the Revised Code, shall issue to each person with respect to whom tax has been deducted and withheld by the commission or transferee pursuant to this section or section 3770.072 of the Revised Code during the preceding calendar year, an information return in the form prescribed by the commissioner.

(B)(1) Division (B)(1) of this section does not apply to persons classified for federal income tax purposes as associations taxable as corporations.

Amounts withheld pursuant to this section or section 3770.072 of the Revised Code shall be allowed as a credit against payment of the tax imposed pursuant to section 5747.02 of the Revised Code upon the lottery prize award recipient, upon a beneficiary of such a recipient, or upon any investor in such a recipient if the recipient is a pass-through entity or disregarded entity, and shall be treated as taxes paid by the recipient, beneficiary, or investor for purposes of section 5747.09 of the Revised Code. The credit is available to the recipient, beneficiary, or investor even if the commission or transferee does not remit to the tax commissioner the amount withheld.

(2) Division (B)(2) of this section applies only to persons classified for federal income tax purposes as associations taxable as corporations.

Amounts withheld pursuant to this section or section 3770.072 of the Revised Code shall be treated as a credit against the tax imposed pursuant to section 5733.06 of the Revised Code for the tax year immediately following the date on which those amounts are deducted and withheld, upon the lottery prize award recipient, upon a beneficiary of such a recipient, or upon an investor in such a recipient if the recipient is a pass-through entity or disregarded entity, and shall be treated as paid by the recipient, beneficiary, or investor on the date on which those amounts are deducted and withheld. The credit is a refundable credit and shall be claimed in the order required under section 5733.98 of the Revised Code. The credit is available to the recipient, beneficiary, or investor even if the commission or transferee does not remit to the tax commissioner the amount withheld.

(3) Nothing in division (B)(1) or (2) of this section shall be construed to allow more than one person to claim the credit for any portion of each amount deducted and withheld.

(C) Failure of the commission or any transferee to deduct and withhold the required amounts from lottery prize awards or to remit amounts withheld as required by this section and section 3770.072 of the Revised Code shall not relieve a taxpayer described in division (B) of this section from liability for the tax imposed by section 5733.06 or 5747.02 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5747.063. The requirements imposed under this section are in addition to the municipal income tax withholding requirements under section 718.031 of the Revised Code. As used in this

section, "sports gaming proprietor" and "sports gaming facility" have the same meanings as in section 3775.01 of the Revised Code.

(A)(1) If a person's winnings ~~at a~~from casino ~~facility~~gaming or ~~from~~sports gaming are an amount for which reporting to the internal revenue service of the amount is required by section 6041 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, ~~the a~~a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall deduct and withhold Ohio income tax from the person's winnings at a rate of four per cent of the amount won. A person's amount of winnings from casino gaming shall be determined each time the person exchanges amounts won in tokens, chips, casino credit, or other prepaid representations of value for cash or a cash equivalent. The casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall issue, to a person from whose winnings an amount has been deducted and withheld, a receipt for the amount deducted and withheld, and also shall obtain from the person additional information that will be necessary for the casino operator or sports gaming proprietor to prepare the returns required by this section.

(2) If a person's winnings ~~at a~~from casino ~~facility~~gaming or sports gaming require reporting to the internal revenue service under division (A)(1) of this section, the casino operator or sports gaming proprietor also shall require the person to state in writing, under penalty of falsification, whether the person is in default under a support order.

(B) Amounts deducted and withheld by a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor are held in trust for the benefit of the state.

(1) On or before the tenth day of each month, the casino operator shall file a return electronically with the tax commissioner identifying the persons from whose winnings amounts were deducted and withheld, the amount of each such deduction and withholding during the preceding calendar month, the amount of the winnings from which each such amount was withheld, the type of casino gaming or sports gaming that resulted in such winnings, and any other information required by the tax commissioner. With the return, the casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall remit electronically to the commissioner all the amounts deducted and withheld during the preceding month.

(2)(a) A casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall maintain a record of each written statement provided under division (A)(2) of this section in which a person admits to being in default under a support order. The casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall make these records available to the director of job and family services upon request.

(b) A casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall maintain copies of receipts issued under division (A)(1) of this section and of written statements provided under division (A)(2) of this section and shall make these copies available to the tax commissioner upon request.

(c) A casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall maintain the information described in divisions (B)(2)(a) and (b) of this section in accordance with section 5747.17 of the Revised Code and any rules adopted pursuant thereto.

(3) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall file an annual return electronically with the tax commissioner indicating the total amount deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year. The casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall remit electronically with the annual return any amount that was deducted and withheld and that was not previously remitted. If the identity of a person and the amount deducted

and withheld with respect to that person were omitted on a monthly return, that information shall be indicated on the annual return.

(4)(a) A casino operator or sports gaming proprietor who fails to file a return and remit the amounts deducted and withheld is personally liable for the amount deducted and withheld and not remitted. The commissioner may impose a penalty up to one thousand dollars if a return is filed late, if amounts deducted and withheld are remitted late, if a return is not filed, or if amounts deducted and withheld are not remitted. Interest accrues on past due amounts deducted and withheld at the rate prescribed in section 5703.47 of the Revised Code. The commissioner may collect past due amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon by assessment under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code as if they were income taxes collected by an employer.

(b) If a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor sells the casino facility or sports gaming facility, or otherwise quits the casino or sports gaming business, the amounts deducted and withheld and any penalties and interest thereon are immediately due and payable. The successor shall withhold an amount of the purchase money that is sufficient to cover the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon until the predecessor casino operator or sports gaming proprietor produces either a receipt from the commissioner showing that the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon have been paid or a certificate from the commissioner indicating that no amounts deducted and withheld or penalties and interest thereon are due. If the successor fails to withhold purchase money, the successor is personally liable for payment of the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon, up to the amount of the purchase money.

(C)(1) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall issue an information return to each person with respect to whom an amount has been deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year. The information return shall show the total amount deducted from the person's winnings by the casino operator or sports gaming proprietor during the preceding calendar year.

(2) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor shall provide to the commissioner a copy of each information return issued under division (C)(1) of this section for the preceding calendar year. The commissioner may require that the copies be transmitted electronically.

(D) Amounts deducted and withheld shall be allowed as a credit against payment of the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code and shall be treated as taxes paid for purposes of section 5747.09 of the Revised Code. This division applies only to the person for whom the amount is deducted and withheld.

(E) The failure of a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor to deduct and withhold the required amount from a person's winnings does not relieve the person from liability for the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code with respect to those winnings. And compliance with this section does not relieve a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor or a person who has winnings ~~at a from~~ casino ~~facility~~ gaming or sports gaming from compliance with relevant provisions of federal tax laws.

(F) The commissioner shall prescribe the form of the receipt and returns required by this section. The director of job and family services shall prescribe the form of the statement required by this section.

(G) The commissioner may adopt rules that are necessary to administer this section.

Sec. 5747.064. The requirements imposed under this section are in addition to the municipal income tax withholding requirements under section 718.031 of the Revised Code.

(A) As used in this section, ~~"video~~:

(1) "Video lottery terminal" has the same meaning as in section 3770.21 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Lottery sports gaming" has the same meaning as in section 3770.23 of the Revised Code.

(B) If a person's prize award from a video lottery terminal or from lottery sports gaming offered in a video lottery terminal facility is an amount for which reporting to the internal revenue service of the amount is required by section 6041 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, the lottery sales agent shall deduct and withhold Ohio income tax from the person's prize award at a rate of four per cent of the amount won. The lottery sales agent shall issue, to a person from whose prize award an amount has been deducted or withheld, a receipt for the amount deducted and withheld, and also shall obtain from the person additional information that will be necessary for the lottery sales agent to prepare the returns required by this section.

(C) Amounts deducted and withheld by a lottery sales agent are held in trust for the benefit of the state.

(1) On or before the tenth day of each month, the lottery sales agent shall file a return electronically with the tax commissioner identifying the persons from whose prize awards amounts were deducted and withheld, the amount of each such deduction and withholding during the preceding month, the amount of the prize award from which each such amount was withheld, and any other information required by the commissioner. With the return, the lottery sales agent shall remit electronically to the commissioner all the amounts deducted and withheld during the preceding month.

(2) A lottery sales agent shall maintain a record of all receipts issued under division (B) of this section and shall make those records available to the commissioner upon request. Such records shall be maintained in accordance with section 5747.17 of the Revised Code and any rules adopted pursuant thereto.

(3) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a lottery sales agent shall file an annual return electronically with the tax commissioner indicating the total amount deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year. The lottery sales agent shall remit electronically with the annual return any amount that was deducted and withheld and that was not previously remitted. If the identity of a person and the amount deducted and withheld with respect to that person were omitted on a monthly return, that information shall be indicated on the annual return.

(4)(a) A lottery sales agent who fails to file a return and remit the amounts deducted and withheld is personally liable for the amount deducted and withheld and not remitted. The commissioner may impose a penalty of up to one thousand dollars if a return is filed late, if amounts deducted and withheld are remitted late, if a return is not filed, or if amounts deducted and withheld are not remitted. Interest accrues on past due amounts deducted and withheld at the rate prescribed in section 5703.47 of the Revised Code. The commissioner may collect past due amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon by assessment under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code as if they were income taxes collected by an employer.

(b) If a lottery sales agent ceases to operate video lottery terminals, the amounts deducted and

withheld and any penalties and interest thereon are immediately due and payable. A successor of the lottery sales agent that purchases the video lottery terminals from the agent shall withhold an amount of the purchase money that is sufficient to cover the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon until the predecessor lottery sales agent produces either a receipt from the tax commissioner showing that the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon have been paid or a certificate from the commissioner indicating that no amounts deducted and withheld or penalties and interest thereon are due. If the successor fails to withhold purchase money, the successor is personally liable for payment of the amounts deducted and withheld and penalties and interest thereon, up to the amount of the purchase money.

(D)(1) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a lottery sales agent shall issue an information return to each person with respect to whom an amount has been deducted and withheld during the preceding calendar year. The information return shall show the total amount deducted from the person's prize award by the lottery sales agent during the preceding year.

(2) Annually, on or before the thirty-first day of January, a lottery sales agent shall provide to the tax commissioner a copy of each information return issued under division (D)(1) of this section for the preceding calendar year. The commissioner may require that such copies be transmitted electronically.

(E) Amounts deducted and withheld shall be allowed as a credit against payment of the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code and shall be treated as taxes paid for purposes of section 5747.09 of the Revised Code. This division applies only to the person for whom the amount is deducted and withheld.

(F) The failure of a lottery sales agent to deduct and withhold the required amount from a person's prize award does not relieve the person from liability for the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code with respect to that income. Compliance with this section does not relieve a lottery sales agent or a person who has a prize award from compliance with relevant provisions of federal tax laws.

(G) The commissioner shall prescribe the form of the receipt and returns required by this section and may promulgate any rules necessary to administer the section.

Sec. 5747.20. This section applies solely for the purposes of computing the credit allowed under division (A) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code and computing income taxable in this state under division (D) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code.

All items of nonbusiness income or deduction shall be allocated in this state as follows:

(A) All items of nonbusiness income or deduction taken into account in the computation of adjusted gross income for the taxable year by a resident shall be allocated to this state.

(B) All items of nonbusiness income or deduction taken into account in the computation of adjusted gross income for the taxable year by a nonresident shall be allocated to this state as follows:

(1) All items of compensation paid to an individual for personal services performed in this state who was a nonresident at the time of payment and all items of deduction directly allocated thereto shall be allocated to this state.

(2) All gains or losses from the sale of real property, tangible personal property, or intangible property shall be allocated as follows:

(a) Capital gains or losses from the sale or other transfer of real property are allocable to this

state if the property is located physically in this state.

(b) Capital gains or losses from the sale or other transfer of tangible personal property are allocable to this state if, at the time of such sale or other transfer, the property had its physical location in this state.

(c) Capital gains or losses from the sale or other transfer of intangible personal property are allocable to this state if the taxpayer's domicile was in this state at the time of such sale or other transfer.

(3) All rents and royalties of real or tangible personal property shall be allocated to this state as follows:

(a) Rents and royalties derived from real property are allocable to this state if the property is physically located in this state.

(b) Rents and royalties derived from tangible personal property are allocable to this state to the extent that such property is utilized in this state.

The extent of utilization of tangible personal property in a state is determined by multiplying the rents or royalties derived from such property by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days of physical location of the property in this state during the rental or royalty period in the taxable year and the denominator of which is the number of days of physical location of the property everywhere during all rental or royalty periods in the taxable year. If the physical location of the property during the rental or royalty period is unknown or unascertainable by the nonresident, tangible personal property is utilized in the state in which the property was located at the time the rental or royalty payor obtained possession.

(4) All patent and copyright royalties shall be allocated to this state to the extent the patent or copyright was utilized by the payor in this state.

A patent is utilized in a state to the extent that it is employed in production, fabrication, manufacturing, or other processing in the state, or to the extent that a patented product is produced in the state. If the basis of receipts from patent royalties does not permit allocation to states or if the accounting procedures do not reflect states of utilization, the patent is utilized in this state if the taxpayer's domicile was in this state at the time such royalties were paid or accrued.

A copyright is utilized in a state to the extent that printing or other publication originates in the state. If the basis of receipts from copyright royalties does not permit allocation to states or if the accounting procedures do not reflect states of utilization, the copyright is utilized in this state if the taxpayer's domicile was in this state at the time such royalties were paid or accrued.

(5)(a) All lottery prize awards paid by the state lottery commission pursuant to Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code shall be allocated to this state.

(b) All earnings, profit, income, and gain from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of lottery prize awards paid or to be paid to any person by the state lottery commission pursuant to Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code shall be allocated to this state.

(c) All earnings, profit, income, and gain from the direct or indirect ownership of lottery prize awards paid or to be paid to any person by the state lottery commission pursuant to Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code shall be allocated to this state.

(d) All earnings, profit, income, and gain from the direct or indirect interest in any right in or to any lottery prize awards paid or to be paid to any person by the state lottery commission pursuant

to Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code shall be allocated to this state.

(6) Any item of income or deduction which has been taken into account in the computation of adjusted gross income for the taxable year by a nonresident and which is not otherwise specifically allocated or apportioned pursuant to sections 5747.20 to 5747.23 of the Revised Code, including, without limitation, interest, dividends and distributions, items of income taken into account under the provisions of sections 401 to 425 of the Internal Revenue Code, and benefit payments received by a beneficiary of a supplemental unemployment trust which is referred to in section 501(c)(17) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall not be allocated to this state unless the taxpayer's domicile was in this state at the time such income was paid or accrued.

(7) All ~~winnings from casino gaming winnings paid by any person licensed by the Ohio casino control commission or sports gaming conducted in this state~~ shall be allocated to the state.

(C) If an individual is a resident for part of the taxable year and a nonresident for the remainder of the taxable year, all items of nonbusiness income or deduction shall be allocated under division (A) of this section for the part of the taxable year that the individual is a resident and under division (B) of this section for the part of the taxable year that the individual is a nonresident.

Sec. 5751.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Person" means, but is not limited to, individuals, combinations of individuals of any form, receivers, assignees, trustees in bankruptcy, firms, companies, joint-stock companies, business trusts, estates, partnerships, limited liability partnerships, limited liability companies, associations, joint ventures, clubs, societies, for-profit corporations, S corporations, qualified subchapter S subsidiaries, qualified subchapter S trusts, trusts, entities that are disregarded for federal income tax purposes, and any other entities.

(B) "Consolidated elected taxpayer" means a group of two or more persons treated as a single taxpayer for purposes of this chapter as the result of an election made under section 5751.011 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Combined taxpayer" means a group of two or more persons treated as a single taxpayer for purposes of this chapter under section 5751.012 of the Revised Code.

(D) "Taxpayer" means any person, or any group of persons in the case of a consolidated elected taxpayer or combined taxpayer treated as one taxpayer, required to register or pay tax under this chapter. "Taxpayer" does not include excluded persons.

(E) "Excluded person" means any of the following:

(1) Any person with not more than one hundred fifty thousand dollars of taxable gross receipts during the calendar year. Division (E)(1) of this section does not apply to a person that is a member of a consolidated elected taxpayer;

(2) A public utility that paid the excise tax imposed by section 5727.24 or 5727.30 of the Revised Code based on one or more measurement periods that include the entire tax period under this chapter, except that a public utility that is a combined company is a taxpayer with regard to the following gross receipts:

(a) Taxable gross receipts directly attributed to a public utility activity, but not directly attributed to an activity that is subject to the excise tax imposed by section 5727.24 or 5727.30 of the Revised Code;

(b) Taxable gross receipts that cannot be directly attributed to any activity, multiplied by a

fraction whose numerator is the taxable gross receipts described in division (E)(2)(a) of this section and whose denominator is the total taxable gross receipts that can be directly attributed to any activity;

(c) Except for any differences resulting from the use of an accrual basis method of accounting for purposes of determining gross receipts under this chapter and the use of the cash basis method of accounting for purposes of determining gross receipts under section 5727.24 of the Revised Code, the gross receipts directly attributed to the activity of a natural gas company shall be determined in a manner consistent with division (D) of section 5727.03 of the Revised Code.

As used in division (E)(2) of this section, "combined company" and "public utility" have the same meanings as in section 5727.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) A financial institution, as defined in section 5726.01 of the Revised Code, that paid the tax imposed by section 5726.02 of the Revised Code based on one or more taxable years that include the entire tax period under this chapter;

(4) A person directly or indirectly owned by one or more financial institutions, as defined in section 5726.01 of the Revised Code, that paid the tax imposed by section 5726.02 of the Revised Code based on one or more taxable years that include the entire tax period under this chapter.

For the purposes of division (E)(4) of this section, a person owns another person under the following circumstances:

(a) In the case of corporations issuing capital stock, one corporation owns another corporation if it owns fifty per cent or more of the other corporation's capital stock with current voting rights;

(b) In the case of a limited liability company, one person owns the company if that person's membership interest, as defined in section 1705.01 or 1706.01 of the Revised Code as applicable, is fifty per cent or more of the combined membership interests of all persons owning such interests in the company;

(c) In the case of a partnership, trust, or other unincorporated business organization other than a limited liability company, one person owns the organization if, under the articles of organization or other instrument governing the affairs of the organization, that person has a beneficial interest in the organization's profits, surpluses, losses, or distributions of fifty per cent or more of the combined beneficial interests of all persons having such an interest in the organization.

(5) A domestic insurance company or foreign insurance company, as defined in section 5725.01 of the Revised Code, that paid the insurance company premiums tax imposed by section 5725.18 or Chapter 5729. of the Revised Code, or an unauthorized insurance company whose gross premiums are subject to tax under section 3905.36 of the Revised Code based on one or more measurement periods that include the entire tax period under this chapter;

(6) A person that solely facilitates or services one or more securitizations of phase-recovery property pursuant to a final financing order as those terms are defined in section 4928.23 of the Revised Code. For purposes of this division, "securitization" means transferring one or more assets to one or more persons and then issuing securities backed by the right to receive payment from the asset or assets so transferred.

(7) Except as otherwise provided in this division, a pre-income tax trust as defined in section 5747.01 of the Revised Code and any pass-through entity of which such pre-income tax trust owns or

controls, directly, indirectly, or constructively through related interests, more than five per cent of the ownership or equity interests. If the pre-income tax trust has made a qualifying pre-income tax trust election under division (EE) of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code, then the trust and the pass-through entities of which it owns or controls, directly, indirectly, or constructively through related interests, more than five per cent of the ownership or equity interests, shall not be excluded persons for purposes of the tax imposed under section 5751.02 of the Revised Code.

(8) Nonprofit organizations or the state and its agencies, instrumentalities, or political subdivisions.

(F) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (F)(2), (3), and (4) of this section, "gross receipts" means the total amount realized by a person, without deduction for the cost of goods sold or other expenses incurred, that contributes to the production of gross income of the person, including the fair market value of any property and any services received, and any debt transferred or forgiven as consideration.

(1) The following are examples of gross receipts:

(a) Amounts realized from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of the taxpayer's property to or with another;

(b) Amounts realized from the taxpayer's performance of services for another;

(c) Amounts realized from another's use or possession of the taxpayer's property or capital;

(d) Any combination of the foregoing amounts.

(2) "Gross receipts" excludes the following amounts:

(a) Interest income except interest on credit sales;

(b) Dividends and distributions from corporations, and distributive or proportionate shares of receipts and income from a pass-through entity as defined under section 5733.04 of the Revised Code;

(c) Receipts from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of an asset described in section 1221 or 1231 of the Internal Revenue Code, without regard to the length of time the person held the asset. Notwithstanding section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code, receipts from hedging transactions also are excluded to the extent the transactions are entered into primarily to protect a financial position, such as managing the risk of exposure to (i) foreign currency fluctuations that affect assets, liabilities, profits, losses, equity, or investments in foreign operations; (ii) interest rate fluctuations; or (iii) commodity price fluctuations. As used in division (F)(2)(c) of this section, "hedging transaction" has the same meaning as used in section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code and also includes transactions accorded hedge accounting treatment under statement of financial accounting standards number 133 of the financial accounting standards board. For the purposes of division (F)(2)(c) of this section, the actual transfer of title of real or tangible personal property to another entity is not a hedging transaction.

(d) Proceeds received attributable to the repayment, maturity, or redemption of the principal of a loan, bond, mutual fund, certificate of deposit, or marketable instrument;

(e) The principal amount received under a repurchase agreement or on account of any transaction properly characterized as a loan to the person;

(f) Contributions received by a trust, plan, or other arrangement, any of which is described in section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to which Title 26, Subtitle A, Chapter 1, Subchapter

(D) of the Internal Revenue Code applies;

(g) Compensation, whether current or deferred, and whether in cash or in kind, received or to be received by an employee, former employee, or the employee's legal successor for services rendered to or for an employer, including reimbursements received by or for an individual for medical or education expenses, health insurance premiums, or employee expenses, or on account of a dependent care spending account, legal services plan, any cafeteria plan described in section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code, or any similar employee reimbursement;

(h) Proceeds received from the issuance of the taxpayer's own stock, options, warrants, puts, or calls, or from the sale of the taxpayer's treasury stock;

(i) Proceeds received on the account of payments from insurance policies, except those proceeds received for the loss of business revenue;

(j) Gifts or charitable contributions received; membership dues received by trade, professional, homeowners', or condominium associations; and payments received for educational courses, meetings, meals, or similar payments to a trade, professional, or other similar association; and fundraising receipts received by any person when any excess receipts are donated or used exclusively for charitable purposes;

(k) Damages received as the result of litigation in excess of amounts that, if received without litigation, would be gross receipts;

(l) Property, money, and other amounts received or acquired by an agent on behalf of another in excess of the agent's commission, fee, or other remuneration;

(m) Tax refunds, other tax benefit recoveries, and reimbursements for the tax imposed under this chapter made by entities that are part of the same combined taxpayer or consolidated elected taxpayer group, and reimbursements made by entities that are not members of a combined taxpayer or consolidated elected taxpayer group that are required to be made for economic parity among multiple owners of an entity whose tax obligation under this chapter is required to be reported and paid entirely by one owner, pursuant to the requirements of sections 5751.011 and 5751.012 of the Revised Code;

(n) Pension reversions;

(o) Contributions to capital;

(p) Sales or use taxes collected as a vendor or an out-of-state seller on behalf of the taxing jurisdiction from a consumer or other taxes the taxpayer is required by law to collect directly from a purchaser and remit to a local, state, or federal tax authority;

(q) In the case of receipts from the sale of cigarettes, tobacco products, or vapor products by a wholesale dealer, retail dealer, distributor, manufacturer, vapor distributor, or seller, all as defined in section 5743.01 of the Revised Code, an amount equal to the federal and state excise taxes paid by any person on or for such cigarettes, tobacco products, or vapor products under subtitle E of the Internal Revenue Code or Chapter 5743. of the Revised Code;

(r) In the case of receipts from the sale, transfer, exchange, or other disposition of motor fuel as "motor fuel" is defined in section 5736.01 of the Revised Code, an amount equal to the value of the motor fuel, including federal and state motor fuel excise taxes and receipts from billing or invoicing the tax imposed under section 5736.02 of the Revised Code to another person;

(s) In the case of receipts from the sale of beer or intoxicating liquor, as defined in section

4301.01 of the Revised Code, by a person holding a permit issued under Chapter 4301. or 4303. of the Revised Code, an amount equal to federal and state excise taxes paid by any person on or for such beer or intoxicating liquor under subtitle E of the Internal Revenue Code or Chapter 4301. or 4305. of the Revised Code;

(t) Receipts realized by a new motor vehicle dealer or used motor vehicle dealer, as defined in section 4517.01 of the Revised Code, from the sale or other transfer of a motor vehicle, as defined in that section, to another motor vehicle dealer for the purpose of resale by the transferee motor vehicle dealer, but only if the sale or other transfer was based upon the transferee's need to meet a specific customer's preference for a motor vehicle;

(u) Receipts from a financial institution described in division (E)(3) of this section for services provided to the financial institution in connection with the issuance, processing, servicing, and management of loans or credit accounts, if such financial institution and the recipient of such receipts have at least fifty per cent of their ownership interests owned or controlled, directly or constructively through related interests, by common owners;

(v) Receipts realized from administering anti-neoplastic drugs and other cancer chemotherapy, biologicals, therapeutic agents, and supportive drugs in a physician's office to patients with cancer;

(w) Funds received or used by a mortgage broker that is not a dealer in intangibles, other than fees or other consideration, pursuant to a table-funding mortgage loan or warehouse-lending mortgage loan. Terms used in division (F)(2)(w) of this section have the same meanings as in section 1322.01 of the Revised Code, except "mortgage broker" means a person assisting a buyer in obtaining a mortgage loan for a fee or other consideration paid by the buyer or a lender, or a person engaged in table-funding or warehouse-lending mortgage loans that are first lien mortgage loans.

(x) Property, money, and other amounts received by a professional employer organization, as defined in section 4125.01 of the Revised Code, or an alternate employer organization, as defined in section 4133.01 of the Revised Code, from a client employer, as defined in either of those sections as applicable, in excess of the administrative fee charged by the professional employer organization or the alternate employer organization to the client employer;

(y) In the case of amounts retained as commissions by a permit holder under Chapter 3769. of the Revised Code, an amount equal to the amounts specified under that chapter that must be paid to or collected by the tax commissioner as a tax and the amounts specified under that chapter to be used as purse money;

(z) Qualifying distribution center receipts as determined under section 5751.40 of the Revised Code.

(aa) Receipts of an employer from payroll deductions relating to the reimbursement of the employer for advancing moneys to an unrelated third party on an employee's behalf;

(bb) Cash discounts allowed and taken;

(cc) Returns and allowances;

(dd) Bad debts from receipts on the basis of which the tax imposed by this chapter was paid in a prior quarterly tax payment period. For the purpose of this division, "bad debts" means any debts that have become worthless or uncollectible between the preceding and current quarterly tax payment periods, have been uncollected for at least six months, and that may be claimed as a deduction under

section 166 of the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations adopted under that section, or that could be claimed as such if the taxpayer kept its accounts on the accrual basis. "Bad debts" does not include repossessed property, uncollectible amounts on property that remains in the possession of the taxpayer until the full purchase price is paid, or expenses in attempting to collect any account receivable or for any portion of the debt recovered;

(ee) Any amount realized from the sale of an account receivable to the extent the receipts from the underlying transaction giving rise to the account receivable were included in the gross receipts of the taxpayer;

(ff) Any receipts directly attributed to a transfer agreement or to the enterprise transferred under that agreement under section 4313.02 of the Revised Code.

(gg) Qualified uranium receipts as determined under section 5751.41 of the Revised Code.

(hh) In the case of amounts collected by a licensed casino operator from casino gaming, amounts in excess of the casino operator's gross casino revenue. In this division, "casino operator" and "casino gaming" have the meanings defined in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code, and "gross casino revenue" has the meaning defined in section 5753.01 of the Revised Code.

(ii) Receipts realized from the sale of agricultural commodities by an agricultural commodity handler, both as defined in section 926.01 of the Revised Code, that is licensed by the director of agriculture to handle agricultural commodities in this state.

(jj) Qualifying integrated supply chain receipts as determined under section 5751.42 of the Revised Code.

(kk) In the case of a railroad company described in division (D)(9) of section 5727.01 of the Revised Code that purchases dyed diesel fuel directly from a supplier as defined by section 5736.01 of the Revised Code, an amount equal to the product of the number of gallons of dyed diesel fuel purchased directly from such a supplier multiplied by the average wholesale price for a gallon of diesel fuel as determined under section 5736.02 of the Revised Code for the period during which the fuel was purchased multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which equals the rate of tax levied by section 5736.02 of the Revised Code less the rate of tax computed in section 5751.03 of the Revised Code, and the denominator of which equals the rate of tax computed in section 5751.03 of the Revised Code.

(ll) Receipts realized by an out-of-state disaster business from disaster work conducted in this state during a disaster response period pursuant to a qualifying solicitation received by the business. Terms used in division (F)(2)(ll) of this section have the same meanings as in section 5703.94 of the Revised Code.

(mm) In the case of receipts from the sale or transfer of a mortgage-backed security or a mortgage loan by a mortgage lender holding a valid certificate of registration issued under Chapter 1322. of the Revised Code or by a person that is a member of the mortgage lender's consolidated elected taxpayer group, an amount equal to the principal balance of the mortgage loan.

(nn) Amounts of excess surplus of the state insurance fund received by the taxpayer from the Ohio bureau of workers' compensation pursuant to rules adopted under section 4123.321 of the Revised Code.

(oo) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) of section 5751.091 of the Revised Code, receipts of a megaproject supplier from sales of tangible personal property directly to a megaproject

operator in this state, provided the supplier holds a certificate issued under section 5751.052 of the Revised Code for the calendar year in which the sales are made, and provided both the operator and supplier hold a certificate issued under division (D)(7) of section 122.17 of the Revised Code on the first day of that calendar year;

(pp) In the case of amounts collected by a sports gaming proprietor from sports gaming, amounts in excess of the proprietor's sports gaming receipts. As used in this division, "sports gaming proprietor" has the same meaning as in section 3775.01 of the Revised Code and "sports gaming receipts" has the same meaning as in section 5753.01 of the Revised Code.

(qq) Any receipts for which the tax imposed by this chapter is prohibited by the constitution or laws of the United States or the constitution of this state.

(3) In the case of a taxpayer when acting as a real estate broker, "gross receipts" includes only the portion of any fee for the service of a real estate broker, or service of a real estate salesperson associated with that broker, that is retained by the broker and not paid to an associated real estate salesperson or another real estate broker. For the purposes of this division, "real estate broker" and "real estate salesperson" have the same meanings as in section 4735.01 of the Revised Code.

(4) A taxpayer's method of accounting for gross receipts for a tax period shall be the same as the taxpayer's method of accounting for federal income tax purposes for the taxpayer's federal taxable year that includes the tax period. If a taxpayer's method of accounting for federal income tax purposes changes, its method of accounting for gross receipts under this chapter shall be changed accordingly.

(G) "Taxable gross receipts" means gross receipts situated to this state under section 5751.033 of the Revised Code.

(H) A person has "substantial nexus with this state" if any of the following applies. The person:

- (1) Owns or uses a part or all of its capital in this state;
- (2) Holds a certificate of compliance with the laws of this state authorizing the person to do business in this state;
- (3) Has bright-line presence in this state;
- (4) Otherwise has nexus with this state to an extent that the person can be required to remit the tax imposed under this chapter under the Constitution of the United States.

(I) A person has "bright-line presence" in this state for a reporting period and for the remaining portion of the calendar year if any of the following applies. The person:

- (1) Has at any time during the calendar year property in this state with an aggregate value of at least fifty thousand dollars. For the purpose of division (I)(1) of this section, owned property is valued at original cost and rented property is valued at eight times the net annual rental charge.
- (2) Has during the calendar year payroll in this state of at least fifty thousand dollars. Payroll in this state includes all of the following:
 - (a) Any amount subject to withholding by the person under section 5747.06 of the Revised Code;
 - (b) Any other amount the person pays as compensation to an individual under the supervision or control of the person for work done in this state; and
 - (c) Any amount the person pays for services performed in this state on its behalf by another.

(3) Has during the calendar year taxable gross receipts of at least five hundred thousand dollars.

(4) Has at any time during the calendar year within this state at least twenty-five per cent of the person's total property, total payroll, or total gross receipts.

(5) Is domiciled in this state as an individual or for corporate, commercial, or other business purposes.

(J) "Tangible personal property" has the same meaning as in section 5739.01 of the Revised Code.

(K) "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C. 1, as amended. Any term used in this chapter that is not otherwise defined has the same meaning as when used in a comparable context in the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes unless a different meaning is clearly required. Any reference in this chapter to the Internal Revenue Code includes other laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes.

(L) "Calendar quarter" means a three-month period ending on the thirty-first day of March, the thirtieth day of June, the thirtieth day of September, or the thirty-first day of December.

(M) "Tax period" means the calendar quarter or calendar year on the basis of which a taxpayer is required to pay the tax imposed under this chapter.

(N) "Calendar year taxpayer" means a taxpayer for which the tax period is a calendar year.

(O) "Calendar quarter taxpayer" means a taxpayer for which the tax period is a calendar quarter.

(P) "Agent" means a person authorized by another person to act on its behalf to undertake a transaction for the other, including any of the following:

(1) A person receiving a fee to sell financial instruments;

(2) A person retaining only a commission from a transaction with the other proceeds from the transaction being remitted to another person;

(3) A person issuing licenses and permits under section 1533.13 of the Revised Code;

(4) A lottery sales agent holding a valid license issued under section 3770.05 of the Revised Code;

(5) A person acting as an agent of the division of liquor control under section 4301.17 of the Revised Code.

(Q) "Received" includes amounts accrued under the accrual method of accounting.

(R) "Reporting person" means a person in a consolidated elected taxpayer or combined taxpayer group that is designated by that group to legally bind the group for all filings and tax liabilities and to receive all legal notices with respect to matters under this chapter, or, for the purposes of section 5751.04 of the Revised Code, a separate taxpayer that is not a member of such a group.

(S) "Megaproject," "megaproject operator," and "megaproject supplier" have the same meanings as in section 122.17 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5753.01. As used in Chapter 5753. of the Revised Code and for no other purpose under Title LVII of the Revised Code:

(A) "Casino facility" has the same meaning as in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Casino gaming" has the same meaning as in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Casino operator" has the same meaning as in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(D) "Gross casino revenue" means the total amount of money exchanged for the purchase of chips, tokens, tickets, electronic cards, or similar objects by casino patrons, less winnings paid to wagerers. "Gross casino revenue" does not include ~~the either of the following~~:

(1) The issuance to casino patrons or wagering by casino patrons of any promotional gaming credit as defined in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code. When issuance of the promotional gaming credit requires money exchanged as a match from the patron, the excludible portion of the promotional gaming credit does not include the portion of the wager purchased by the patron.

(2) Sports gaming receipts.

(E) "Person" has the same meaning as in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Slot machine" has the same meaning as in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(G) "Sports gaming facility" and "sports gaming proprietor" have the same meanings as in section 3775.01 of the Revised Code.

(H) "Sports gaming receipts" means the total gross receipts received by a sports gaming proprietor from the operation of sports gaming in this state, less the total of the following:

(1) All cash and cash equivalents paid as winnings to sports gaming patrons;

(2) The dollar amount of all voided wagers.

(3) Receipts received from the operation of lottery sports gaming on behalf of the state under sections 3770.23 to 3770.25 of the Revised Code.

(4)(a) On and after January 1, 2027, but before January 1, 2032, ten per cent of the promotional gaming credits wagered by patrons;

(b) On and after January 1, 2032, twenty per cent of the promotional gaming credits wagered by patrons.

As used in division (H) of this section, "promotional gaming credit" has the same meaning as in section 3775.01 of the Revised Code. When issuance of a promotional gaming credit requires money exchanged as a match from the patron, the deductible portion of the promotional gaming credit does not include the portion of the wager purchased by the patron.

(I) "Table game" has the same meaning as in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(H)-(J) "Taxpayer" means a casino operator subject to the tax levied under section 5753.02 of the Revised Code or a sports gaming proprietor subject to the tax levied under section 5753.021 of the Revised Code.

(K) "Tax period" means one twenty-four-hour period with regard to which a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ is required to pay the tax levied by ~~this chapter~~ section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5753.021. For the purposes of funding the education needs of this state, funding interscholastic athletics and other extracurricular activities for youth, funding efforts to alleviate problem sports gaming, and defraying the costs of enforcing and administering the law governing sports gaming and the tax levied by this section, a tax is hereby levied on the sports gaming receipts of a sports gaming proprietor at the rate of ten per cent of the sports gaming receipts received by the proprietor from the operation of sports gaming in this state.

The tax imposed under this section is in addition to any other taxes or fees imposed under the Revised Code.

Sec. 5753.03. (A) For the purpose of receiving and distributing, and accounting for, revenue received from the tax levied by section 5753.02 of the Revised Code, the following funds are created in the state treasury:

- (1) The casino tax revenue fund;
- (2) The gross casino revenue county fund;
- (3) The gross casino revenue county student fund;
- (4) The gross casino revenue host city fund;
- (5) The Ohio state racing commission fund;
- (6) The Ohio law enforcement training fund;
- (7) The problem casino gambling and addictions fund;
- (8) The casino control commission fund;
- (9) The casino tax administration fund;
- (10) The peace officer training academy fund;
- (11) The criminal justice services casino tax revenue fund.

(B) All moneys collected from the tax levied under ~~this chapter~~ section 5753.02 of the Revised Code shall be deposited into the casino tax revenue fund.

(C) From the casino tax revenue fund the director of budget and management shall transfer as needed to the tax refund fund amounts equal to the refunds certified by the tax commissioner under section 5753.06 of the Revised Code and attributable to the tax levied under section 5753.02 of the Revised Code.

(D) After making any transfers required by division (C) of this section, but not later than the fifteenth day of the month following the end of each calendar quarter, the director of budget and management shall transfer amounts to each fund as follows:

(1) Fifty-one per cent to the gross casino revenue county fund to make payments as required by Section 6(C)(3)(a) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution;

(2) Thirty-four per cent to the gross casino revenue county student fund to make payments as required by Section 6(C)(3)(b) of Article XV, Ohio Constitution and as provided in section 5753.11 of the Revised Code;

(3) Five per cent to the gross casino revenue host city fund for the benefit of the cities in which casino facilities are located;

(4) Three per cent to the Ohio state racing commission fund to support the efforts and activities of the Ohio state racing commission to promote horse racing in this state at which the pari-mutuel system of wagering is conducted;

(5) Two per cent to the Ohio law enforcement training fund to support law enforcement functions in the state;

(6) Two per cent to the problem casino gambling and addictions fund to support efforts of the department of mental health and addiction services to alleviate problem gambling and substance abuse and related research in the state under section 5119.47 of the Revised Code;

(7) Three per cent to the casino control commission fund to support the operations of the Ohio casino control commission and to defray the cost of administering the tax levied under section 5753.02 of the Revised Code.

Payments under divisions (D)(1) and (3) of this section shall be made by the end of the

month following the end of the quarterly period. The tax commissioner shall make the data available to the director of budget and management for this purpose.

Money in the Ohio state racing commission fund shall be distributed at the discretion of the Ohio state racing commission for the purpose stated in division (D)(4) of this section by the end of the month following the end of the quarterly period. The commission may retain up to ~~five-ten~~ per cent of the amount transferred to the fund under division (D)(4) of this section for operating expenses necessary for the administration of the fund.

Payments from the gross casino revenue county student fund as required under section 5753.11 of the Revised Code shall be made by the last day of January and by the last day of August of each year, beginning in 2013. The tax commissioner shall make the data available to the director of budget and management for this purpose.

Of the money credited to the Ohio law enforcement training fund, the director of budget and management shall distribute eighty-five per cent of the money to the police officer training academy fund for the purpose of supporting the law enforcement training efforts of the Ohio peace officer training academy and fifteen per cent of the money to the criminal justice services casino tax revenue fund for the purpose of supporting the law enforcement training efforts of the division of criminal justice services.

(E)(1) The tax commissioner shall serve as an agent of the counties of this state only for the purposes of this division and solely to make payments directly to municipal corporations and school districts, as applicable, on the counties' behalf.

(2) On or before the last day of the month following the end of each calendar quarter, the tax commissioner shall provide for payment from the funds referenced in divisions (D)(1) and (3) of this section to each county and municipal corporation as prescribed in those divisions.

(3) On or before the last day of January and the last day of August each year, the commissioner shall provide for payments from the fund referenced in division (D)(2) of this section to each school district as prescribed in that division.

(F) The director of budget and management shall transfer one per cent of the money credited to the casino control commission fund to the casino tax administration fund. The tax commissioner shall use the casino tax administration fund to defray the costs incurred in administering the tax levied by ~~this chapter~~ under section 5753.02 of the Revised Code.

(G) All investment earnings of the gross casino revenue county student fund shall be credited to the fund.

Sec. 5753.031. (A) For the purpose of receiving and distributing, and accounting for, revenue received from the tax levied by section 5753.021 of the Revised Code and from fines imposed under Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code, the following funds are created in the state treasury:

(1) The sports gaming revenue fund;

(2) The sports gaming tax administration fund, which the tax commissioner shall use to defray the costs incurred in administering the tax levied by section 5753.021 of the Revised Code;

(3) The sports gaming profits education fund. Fifty per cent of the funds in the sports gaming profits education fund shall be used to support interscholastic athletics and other extracurricular activities for students in grades kindergarten through twelve as determined in appropriations made by the general assembly. The other fifty per cent shall be used for the support of public and nonpublic

education for students in grades kindergarten through twelve as determined in appropriations made by the general assembly.

(4) The problem sports gaming fund.

(B)(1) All of the following shall be deposited into the sports gaming revenue fund:

(a) All money collected from the tax levied under section 5753.021 of the Revised Code;

(b) The remainder of the fees described in division (G)(2) of section 3775.02 of the Revised Code, after the Ohio casino control commission deposits the required amount in the sports gaming profits veterans fund under that division;

(c) Unclaimed winnings collected under division (F) of section 3775.10 of the Revised Code;

(d) Any fines collected under Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code.

(2) All other fees collected under Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code shall be deposited into the casino control commission fund created under section 5753.03 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) From the sports gaming revenue fund, the director of budget and management shall transfer as needed to the tax refund fund amounts equal to the refunds certified by the tax commissioner under section 5753.06 of the Revised Code and attributable to the tax levied under section 5753.021 of the Revised Code.

(2) Not later than the fifteenth day of each month, the director of budget and management shall transfer from the sports gaming revenue fund to the sports gaming tax administration fund the amount necessary to reimburse the department of taxation's actual expenses incurred in administering the tax levied under section 5753.021 of the Revised Code.

(3) Of the amount in the sports gaming revenue fund remaining after making the transfers required by divisions (C)(1) and (2) of this section, the director of budget and management shall transfer, on or before the fifteenth day of the month following the end of each calendar quarter, amounts to each fund as follows:

(a) Ninety-eight per cent to the sports gaming profits education fund;

(b) Two per cent to the problem sports gaming fund.

(D) All interest generated by the funds created under this section shall be credited back to them.

Sec. 5753.04. (A) Daily each day banks are open for business, not later than noon, a ~~casino operator~~ each taxpayer shall file a return electronically with the tax commissioner. The return shall be in the form required by the tax commissioner, and shall reflect the relevant tax period. The return shall include, but is not limited to, the amount of the ~~casino operator's taxpayer's~~ gross casino revenue or sports gaming receipts for the tax period and the amount of tax due under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code for the tax period. The ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ shall remit electronically with the return the tax due.

(B) If the a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor ceases to be a taxpayer at any time, the ~~casino operator or proprietor~~ shall indicate the last date for which the ~~casino operator or proprietor~~ was liable for the tax. The return shall include a space for this purpose.

(C) Except as otherwise provided in division (A) of section 3775.14 of the Revised Code, the information in a return a sports gaming proprietor files with the tax commissioner under this section concerning sports gaming receipts is subject to disclosure as a public record under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5753.05. (A)(1) A ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ who fails to file a return or to remit the tax due as required by section 5753.04 of the Revised Code shall pay a penalty not to exceed the greater of five hundred dollars or ten per cent of the tax due.

(2) If the tax commissioner finds additional tax to be due, the tax commissioner may impose an additional penalty of up to fifteen per cent of the additional tax found to be due. A delinquent payment of tax made as the result of a notice or an audit is subject to the additional penalty imposed by this division.

(3) If a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ fails to file a return electronically or to remit the tax electronically, the tax commissioner may impose an additional penalty of fifty dollars or ten per cent of the tax due as shown on the return, whichever is greater.

(B) If the tax due under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code is not timely paid, the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ shall pay interest at the rate per annum prescribed in section 5703.47 of the Revised Code beginning on the day the tax was due through the day the tax is paid or an assessment is issued, whichever occurs first.

(C) The tax commissioner shall collect any penalty or interest as if it were the tax levied by section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code, as applicable. Penalties and interest shall be treated as if they were revenue arising from the applicable tax levied by section 5753.02 of the Revised Code.

(D) The tax commissioner may abate all or a portion of any penalty imposed under this section and may adopt rules governing abatements.

(E) If a casino operator or sports gaming proprietor fails to file a return or remit the tax due as required by section 5753.04 of the Revised Code within a period of one year after the due date for filing the return or remitting the tax, the Ohio casino control commission may suspend the ~~casino operator's or proprietor's~~ license.

Sec. 5753.06. (A) A ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ may apply to the tax commissioner for refund of the amount of taxes under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code that were overpaid, paid illegally or erroneously, or paid on an illegal or erroneous assessment. The application shall be on a form prescribed by the tax commissioner. The ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ shall provide the amount of the requested refund along with the claimed reasons for, and documentation to support, the issuance of a refund. The ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ shall file the application with the tax commissioner within four years after the date the payment was made, unless the applicant has waived the time limitation under division (D) of section 5753.07 of the Revised Code. In the latter event, the four-year limitation is extended for the same period of time as the waiver.

(B) Upon the filing of a refund application, the tax commissioner shall determine the amount of refund to which the applicant is entitled. If the amount is not less than that claimed, the tax commissioner shall certify the amount to the director of budget and management and treasurer of state for payment from the tax refund fund. If the amount is less than that claimed, the tax commissioner shall proceed under section 5703.70 of the Revised Code.

(C) Interest on a refund applied for under this section, computed at the rate provided for in section 5703.47 of the Revised Code, shall be allowed from the later of the date the tax was due or the date payment of the tax was made. Except as provided in section 5753.07 of the Revised Code, the tax commissioner may, with the consent of the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~, provide for crediting

against the tax due for a tax period, the amount of any refund due the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ for a preceding tax period.

(D) Refunds under this section are subject to offset under section 5753.061 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5753.061. As used in this section, "debt to the state" means unpaid taxes that are due the state, unpaid workers' compensation premiums that are due, unpaid unemployment compensation contributions that are due, unpaid unemployment compensation payments in lieu of contributions that are due, unpaid fees payable to the state or to the clerk of courts under section 4505.06 of the Revised Code, incorrect medical assistance payments, or any unpaid charge, penalty, or interest arising from any of the foregoing. A debt to the state is not a "debt to the state" as used in this section unless the liability underlying the debt to the state has become incontestable because the time for appealing, reconsidering, reassessing, or otherwise questioning the liability has expired or the liability has been finally determined to be valid.

If a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ who is entitled to a refund under section 5753.06 of the Revised Code owes a debt to the state, the amount refundable may be applied in satisfaction of the debt to the state. If the amount refundable is less than the amount of the debt to the state, the amount refundable may be applied in partial satisfaction of the debt. If the amount refundable is greater than the amount of the debt, the amount refundable remaining after satisfaction of the debt shall be refunded to the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~.

Sec. 5753.07. (A)(1) The tax commissioner may issue an assessment, based on any information in the tax commissioner's possession, against a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ who fails to pay the tax levied under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code or to file a return under section 5753.04 of the Revised Code. The tax commissioner shall give the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ written notice of the assessment under section 5703.37 of the Revised Code. With the notice, the tax commissioner shall include instructions on how to petition for reassessment and on how to request a hearing with respect to the petition.

(2) Unless the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~, within sixty days after service of the notice of assessment, files with the tax commissioner, either personally or by certified mail, a written petition signed by the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~, or by the ~~casino operator's taxpayer's~~ authorized agent who has knowledge of the facts, the assessment becomes final, and the amount of the assessment is due and payable from the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ to the treasurer of state. The petition shall indicate the ~~casino operator's taxpayer's~~ objections to the assessment. Additional objections may be raised in writing if they are received by the tax commissioner before the date shown on the final determination.

(3) If a petition for reassessment has been properly filed, the tax commissioner shall proceed under section 5703.60 of the Revised Code.

(4) After an assessment becomes final, if any portion of the assessment, including penalties and accrued interest, remains unpaid, the tax commissioner may file a certified copy of the entry making the assessment final in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas of Franklin county or in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas of the county in which the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ resides, the ~~casino operator's taxpayer's~~ casino facility or sports gaming facility is located, or the ~~casino operator's taxpayer's~~ principal place of business in this state is located.

Immediately upon the filing of the entry, the clerk shall enter a judgment for the state against the taxpayer assessed in the amount shown on the entry. The judgment may be filed by the clerk in a loose-leaf book entitled, "special judgments for the gross casino revenue tax and sports gaming receipts tax." The judgment has the same effect as other judgments. Execution shall issue upon the judgment at the request of the tax commissioner, and all laws applicable to sales on execution apply to sales made under the judgment.

(5) If the assessment is not paid in its entirety within sixty days after the day the assessment was issued, the portion of the assessment consisting of tax due shall bear interest at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the day the tax commissioner issued the assessment until the assessment is paid or until it is certified to the attorney general for collection under section 131.02 of the Revised Code, whichever comes first. If the unpaid portion of the assessment is certified to the attorney general for collection, the entire unpaid portion of the assessment shall bear interest at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the date of certification until the date it is paid in its entirety. Interest shall be paid in the same manner as the tax levied under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code, as applicable, and may be collected by the issuance of an assessment under this section.

(B) If the tax commissioner believes that collection of the tax levied under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code will be jeopardized unless proceedings to collect or secure collection of the tax are instituted without delay, the commissioner may issue a jeopardy assessment against the ~~casino operator who taxpayer~~ that is liable for the tax. Immediately upon the issuance of a jeopardy assessment, the tax commissioner shall file an entry with the clerk of the court of common pleas in the manner prescribed by division (A)(4) of this section, and the clerk shall proceed as directed in that division. Notice of the jeopardy assessment shall be served on the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ or the ~~casino operator's taxpayer's~~ authorized agent under section 5703.37 of the Revised Code within five days after the filing of the entry with the clerk. The total amount assessed is immediately due and payable, unless the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ assessed files a petition for reassessment under division (A)(2) of this section and provides security in a form satisfactory to the tax commissioner that is in an amount sufficient to satisfy the unpaid balance of the assessment. If a petition for reassessment has been filed, and if satisfactory security has been provided, the tax commissioner shall proceed under division (A)(3) of this section. Full or partial payment of the assessment does not prejudice the tax commissioner's consideration of the petition for reassessment.

(C) The tax commissioner shall immediately forward to the treasurer of state all amounts the tax commissioner receives under this section, and the amounts forwarded shall be treated as if they were revenue arising from the tax levied under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code, as applicable.

(D) Except as otherwise provided in this division, no assessment shall be issued against a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ for the tax levied under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code more than four years after the due date for filing the return for the tax period for which the tax was reported, or more than four years after the return for the tax period was filed, whichever is later. This division does not bar an assessment against a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ who fails to file a return as required by section 5753.04 of the Revised Code or who files a fraudulent return, or when the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ and the tax commissioner waive in writing the time limitation.

(E) If the tax commissioner possesses information that indicates that the amount of tax a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ is liable to pay under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code exceeds the amount the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ paid, the tax commissioner may audit a sample of the ~~casino operator's taxpayer's~~ gross casino revenue or sports gaming receipts, as applicable, over a representative period of time to ascertain the amount of tax due, and may issue an assessment based on the audit. The tax commissioner shall make a good faith effort to reach agreement with the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ in selecting a representative sample. The tax commissioner may apply a sampling method only if the tax commissioner has prescribed the method by rule.

(F) If the whereabouts of a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ who is liable for the tax levied under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code are unknown to the tax commissioner, the tax commissioner shall proceed under section 5703.37 of the Revised Code.

~~(G) If a casino operator fails to pay the tax levied under section 5753.02 of the Revised Code within a period of one year after the due date for remitting the tax, the Ohio casino control commission may suspend the casino operator's license.~~

Sec. 5753.08. If a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ who is liable for the tax levied under section 5753.02 or 5753.021 of the Revised Code sells ~~the a~~ casino facility or sports gaming facility, disposes of ~~the a~~ casino facility or sports gaming facility in any manner other than in the regular course of business, or quits the casino gaming or sports gaming business, any tax owed by that person becomes immediately due and payable, and the person shall pay the tax due, including any applicable penalties and interest. The person's successor shall withhold a sufficient amount of the purchase money to cover the amounts due and unpaid until the predecessor produces a receipt from the tax commissioner showing that the amounts due have been paid or a certificate indicating that no taxes are due. If the successor fails to withhold purchase money, the successor is personally liable, up to the purchase money amount, for amounts that were unpaid during the operation of the business by the predecessor.

Sec. 5753.10. The tax commissioner may prescribe requirements for the keeping of records and pertinent documents, for the filing of copies of federal income tax returns and determinations, and for computations reconciling federal income tax returns with the return required by section 5753.04 of the Revised Code. The tax commissioner may require a ~~casino operator taxpayer~~, by rule or by notice served on the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~, to keep records and other documents that the tax commissioner considers necessary to show the extent to which the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ is subject to this chapter. The records and other documents shall be open to inspection by the tax commissioner during business hours, and shall be preserved for a period of four years unless the tax commissioner, in writing, consents to their destruction within that period, or by order served on the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ requires that they be kept longer. If the records are normally kept electronically by the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~, the ~~casino operator taxpayer~~ shall provide the records to the tax commissioner electronically at the tax commissioner's request.

Any information required by the tax commissioner under this section is confidential under section 5703.21 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5753.12. (A) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, any person who operates a casino facility without holding a current, valid license issued under Chapter 3772. of the Revised Code or a sports gaming facility without holding a current, valid license issued under Chapter 3775.

of the Revised Code is liable for any amounts, including tax, interest, and penalties, imposed under this chapter in the same manner as persons that do hold such a license.

(B) The tax commissioner may issue an assessment against a person described in division (A) of this section for any amount due under this chapter in the same manner provided under section 5753.07 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5902.22. (A) As used in this section, "armed forces" and "veteran" have the same meanings as in section 5903.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The sports gaming profits veterans fund is hereby created in the state treasury. Interest earned on the moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund. The director of veterans services shall use all moneys credited to the fund for the following purposes:

(1) For the direct benefit of veterans and their spouses and dependents, for the following purposes:

(a) Job training or assistance for job retraining;

(b) Assistance during a period of unemployment due to prolonged physical or mental illness or disability of the veteran resulting from service in the armed forces;

(c) Individual counseling or family counseling programs;

(d) Family support group programs or programs for children of members of the armed forces;

(e) Honor guard services.

(2) To provide additional funding to a county veterans service commission to alleviate inequality of funding among such commissions;

(3) To provide additional funding to a county veterans service commission in response to an emergency or declared disaster;

(4) To provide additional funding to an Ohio veterans home established under Chapter 5907. of the Revised Code;

(5) To provide funding to a program administered by the Ohio national guard that provides support to members of the armed forces and their families, especially during deployments.

SECTION 2. That existing sections 109.572, 121.95, 718.031, 718.08, 2915.081, 2935.01, 3123.89, 3123.90, 3770.03, 3770.06, 3770.07, 3770.10, 3772.01, 3772.02, 3772.03, 3772.031, 3772.04, 3772.062, 3772.07, 5703.21, 5747.02, 5747.062, 5747.063, 5747.064, 5747.20, 5751.01, 5753.01, 5753.03, 5753.04, 5753.05, 5753.06, 5753.061, 5753.07, 5753.08, and 5753.10 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. That section 3772.28 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. (A) The Executive Director of the Ohio Casino Control Commission shall designate a universal start date for sports gaming that is not later than January 1, 2023. No person shall offer sports gaming in this state before the universal start date.

(B)(1) The Executive Director of the Ohio Casino Control Commission shall set a series of deadlines by which persons must apply for sports gaming licenses under Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code, as enacted by this act, in order to begin operating under the licenses on the universal

start date, including the following deadlines:

(a) An earlier deadline for applications associated with a type A sports gaming proprietor and its designated first mobile management services provider, with a type B sports gaming proprietor, or with a type C sports gaming proprietor;

(b) A later deadline for applications associated with a type A sports gaming proprietor's designated second mobile management services provider or with a type C sports gaming host.

(2) The Commission shall process applications for type C sports gaming host licenses in an order that creates equity among applications from all areas of the state.

(3) If a person applies for a sports gaming license after the applicable deadline, the Commission is not required to review the application in time to issue the person a license before the universal start date.

(C) During the period beginning on the effective date of this section and ending on June 30, 2023, all of the following apply:

(1) At the request of an applicant for a sports gaming license under Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code, as enacted by this act, the Executive Director of the Ohio Casino Control Commission may issue a provisional sports gaming license of the applicable type to the applicant, so long as the applicant has submitted a completed application for the license, including paying the required application fee. The Commission may prescribe by rule the requirements to receive a provisional sports gaming license, including additional application and license fees.

(2) In evaluating a request for a provisional sports gaming license, the Executive Director may consider the applicant's apparent eligibility for a sports gaming license under Chapter 3775. of the Revised Code, as enacted by this act, including whether the applicant has previously undergone a suitability investigation similar to the investigation the applicant must undergo to receive the sports gaming license.

(3) The Executive Director shall determine the period for which a provisional sports gaming license is valid, provided that the period shall not exceed three months. The Executive Director may renew a provisional sports gaming license for one additional period not to exceed three months.

SECTION 5. (A) The Joint Committee on Sports Gaming is established. The Committee consists of six members. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint to the Committee three members of the House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate shall appoint to the Committee three members of the Senate. Not more than two members appointed from each chamber may be members of the same political party. The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall designate co-chairpersons of the Committee.

(B) The Committee shall monitor the implementation of sports gaming under this act and shall report its recommendations, if any, to the General Assembly.

(C) Any study, or any expense incurred, in furtherance of the Committee's objectives shall be paid for from, or out of, the Casino Control Commission Fund or other appropriation provided by law. The members shall receive no additional compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

(D) The Committee ceases to exist on the date that is two years after the effective date of this section.

SECTION 6. (A) There is the Select Committee on Sports Gaming and Problem Gambling, which shall study all of the following:

(1) Whether a portion of the money in the Sports Gaming Revenue Fund created under section 5753.031 of the Revised Code, as enacted by this act, should be allocated to make grants to youth sports programs;

(2) Whether an appropriate amount of the money in the Sports Gaming Revenue Fund is allocated to the Problem Sports Gaming Fund created under that section;

(3) Whether sports gaming proprietors and the State Lottery Commission should be required to develop and implement compulsive and problem gambling plans with respect to sports gaming, similar to the plans casino operators develop and implement under division (A)(6) of section 3772.18 of the Revised Code;

(4) Whether the Attorney General should be required to develop and implement a compulsive and problem gambling program for type II and type III bingo license holders under Chapter 2915. of the Revised Code to train and assist license holders in preventing, and educating participants about, problem gambling.

(B) The Select Committee shall consist of the following nine members:

(1) Two members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) One member of the Senate appointed by the Senate Minority Leader;

(3) Two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(4) One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives;

(5) One member of the public appointed by the President of the Senate;

(6) One member of the public appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(7) One member of the public appointed by the Governor.

(C) The Select Committee shall elect a chairperson from among its members. Vacancies on the Select Committee shall be filled in the manner provided for original appointments. Members of the Select Committee shall serve without compensation.

(D) Not later than January 1, 2022, the Select Committee shall submit a report of its findings to the General Assembly. After it submits the report, the Select Committee shall cease to exist.

SECTION 7. The General Assembly, applying the principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections, presented in this act as composites of the sections as amended by the acts indicated, are the resulting versions of the sections in effect prior to the effective date of the sections as presented in this act:

Section 109.572 of the Revised Code as amended by H.B. 110 and S.B. 3 of the 134th General Assembly and H.B. 263 and S.B. 260 of the 133rd General Assembly.

Section 3772.03 of the Revised Code as amended by both H.B. 49 and H.B. 132 of the 132nd General Assembly.

Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

President _____ *of the Senate.*

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Governor.

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