

April 29, 2024

The Honorable Michael W. Frerichs Illinois State Treasurer James R. Thompson Center 100 W. Randolph St, Suite 15-600 Chicago, IL 60601

Re: March 2024 - Monthly Report of Revenues, Prize Disbursements and Other Expenses by the Illinois Department of the Lottery

Dear Mr. Frerichs:

In accordance with the requirements of the Illinois Lottery Law, 20 ILCS 1605/9, attached, please find the Report of Revenues, Prize Disbursements and Other Expenses for the Illinois Department of the Lottery (Department) for the Month Ending March 31, 2024. Also, included is an explanation of Lottery transfers. This report will be updated and distributed to you after each month end. If you have any questions, please contact Amber Chappell, Chief Financial Officer of the Lottery, at (217) 524-0008.

Sincerely,

Harold Mays

Director, Illinois Lottery

cc: The Honorable Don Harmon

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### **Explanation of Transfers by the Department of the Lottery**

#### **Transfers to the Common School Fund**

In accordance with 20 ILCS 1605/9.3, the Illinois Department of the Lottery (Department) is statutorily mandated to transfer estimated net proceeds to the Common School Fund (CSF) on a monthly basis. The transfer shall be made on the last day of each month or shortly thereafter. The estimated proceeds transferred monthly are to be reconciled to actual proceeds upon completion of the applicable annual fiscal year audit. If actual net proceeds are more than estimated net proceeds, the remaining amount shall be deposited in the CSF. If actual net proceeds are less than estimated net proceeds, the excess amount shall offset estimated net lottery proceeds the following fiscal year. The net lottery proceeds shall be determined after deducting prizes, retailer bonuses, costs incurred in the operation and administration of the Lottery, and transfers to specialty causes. Additionally, they shall be determined in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for governmental entities.

The CSF estimated net proceed transfers made in March 2024 totaled \$75.0 million and were made on March 20<sup>th</sup> and March 27<sup>th</sup>.

### **Transfers to Specialty Causes**

Per the Illinois Lottery Law (20 ILCS 1605/21.5 thru 21.13), the Illinois Department of the Lottery shall offer a special instant scratch-off game for eight various causes as outlined in the Law in Fiscal Year 2024. The Department transfers the net proceeds from these causes to the specified funds within the State of Illinois on a monthly basis. The net proceeds are transferred one month in arrears of the revenues being generated and upon final reconciliation of instant sales, less prize expense, and operating expenses of the specific ticket. During March, the special causes the Department supports earned net proceeds of \$877 thousand. This amount was cash transferred in April.

# Illinois Department of the Lottery Report of Revenues, Expenses, and Operating Income For the Month Ending March 31, 2024

In March, the Department generated sales of \$377.5 million and related prize expense of \$248.1 million. Per the Illinois Lottery Law (20 ILCS 1605/10.3), the Department is required to collect proceeds from the sale of Lottery tickets net of prizes paid and commissions earned from authorized retailers. The proceeds resulted in cash collections of \$158.1 million from the weekly net sweeps of Lottery retailer's accounts and net deposits from the iLottery platform. The funds collected were deposited in the State Lottery Fund (Fund 711).

We have summarized the unaudited sales and expense activity on the accrual basis of the Department below.

	March 2024
Operating Revenue	
Ticket Sales	
Instant Tickets	207,748,951
Mega Millions	29,362,451
Powerball	28,164,077
Lotto	8,277,364
Lucky Day Lotto	12,171,525
Pick 3	22,989,829
Pick 4	23,373,426
Fast Play	45,410,545
Sales Allowance	(24,482)
Sales Adjustments	(66,953)
Total Ticket Sales	377,406,733
Other	358,234
Total Operating Revenue	377,764,967
Operating Expenses	
Cost of Sales and Services	17,188,687
Prizes and Claims Expense	
Instant Tickets	152,241,005
Mega Millions	13,971,321
Powerball	14,081,773
Lotto	5,341,196
Lucky Day Lotto	6,498,317
Pick 3	8,534,850
Pick 4	11,785,670
Fast Play	35,662,210
<b>Total Prizes and Claims Expense</b>	248,116,342
General and Administrative	17,776,633
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	283,081,662
Operating Income	94,683,305

# Illinois Department of the Lottery Report of Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Transfers For the Month Ending March 31, 2024

We have summarized the cash activity of the State Lottery Fund (Fund 711) below:

Cash Balance Carried Forward from Last Month	\$ 102.7M
Total Receipts into the Fund for this Month	158.8M
Expenditures/Transfers from the Fund for this Month*	<121.3M>
Cash Balance at the End of the Month	<u>\$ 140.2M</u>
*Cash Expenditures/Transfers this Month included:	
Vouchers Paid	\$ 4.5M
Prize Payments	\$ 40.9M
Transfers to Common School Fund	\$ 75.0M
Transfers to Special Causes	\$ 0.9M

The Department will be carrying forward a jackpot liability reserve balance of \$39.8 million into the following month for the Lotto (\$2.15 million), Mega Millions (\$36 million), and Powerball (\$1.0 billion) jackpots. Additionally, the jackpot liability reserve includes the outstanding liabilities for Illinois' share of the \$1.128 billion Mega Millions New Jersey winner draw date March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and the \$5.45 million Lotto winner draw date March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024.