



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB5142

Introduced 2/10/2026, by Rep. Daniel Didech

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

230 ILCS 45/25-10

Amends the Sports Wagering Act. Provides that "sports wagering" also includes participation in any prediction market involving a sports event or any portion of a sports event, or the individual performance statistics of athletes in a sports event, including the offering, listing, solicitation, purchase, sale, trading, exchange, or settlement of any event contract, sports-event contract, or other contract, agreement, or transaction, whether described as a derivative, option, binary contract, or similar instrument, in which a person risks something of value on the occurrence, nonoccurrence, or outcome of such sports event or any portion of a sports event or athlete performance statistics; such activity constitutes sports wagering regardless of whether the contract, agreement, or transaction is entered into on a peer-to-peer basis, whether participants take positions against one another rather than against the operator, whether the operator is not a counterparty to the transaction, or whether the operator describes the activity as an investing opportunity, exchange, marketplace, or prediction market.

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1 AN ACT concerning gaming.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Sports Wagering Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 25-10 as follows:

6 (230 ILCS 45/25-10)

7 Sec. 25-10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

8 "Adjusted gross sports wagering receipts" means a master  
9 sports wagering licensee's gross sports wagering receipts,  
10 less winnings paid to wagerers in such games.

11 "Athlete" means any current or former professional athlete  
12 or collegiate athlete.

13 "Board" means the Illinois Gaming Board.

14 "Covered persons" includes athletes; umpires, referees,  
15 and officials; personnel associated with clubs, teams,  
16 leagues, and athletic associations; medical professionals  
17 (including athletic trainers) who provide services to athletes  
18 and players; and the family members and associates of these  
19 persons where required to serve the purposes of this Act.

20 "Department" means the Department of the Lottery.

21 "Gaming facility" means a facility at which gambling  
22 operations are conducted under the Illinois Gambling Act,  
23 pari-mutuel wagering is conducted under the Illinois Horse

1 Racing Act of 1975, or sports wagering is conducted under this  
2 Act.

3 "Official league data" means statistics, results,  
4 outcomes, and other data related to a sports event obtained  
5 pursuant to an agreement with the relevant sports governing  
6 body, or an entity expressly authorized by the sports  
7 governing body to provide such information to licensees, that  
8 authorizes the use of such data for determining the outcome of  
9 tier 2 sports wagers on such sports events.

10 "Organization licensee" has the meaning given to that term  
11 in the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975.

12 "Owners licensee" means the holder of an owners license  
13 under the Illinois Gambling Act.

14 "Person" means an individual, partnership, committee,  
15 association, corporation, or any other organization or group  
16 of persons.

17 "Personal biometric data" means an athlete's information  
18 derived from DNA, heart rate, blood pressure, perspiration  
19 rate, internal or external body temperature, hormone levels,  
20 glucose levels, hydration levels, vitamin levels, bone  
21 density, muscle density, and sleep patterns.

22 "Prohibited conduct" includes any statement, action, and  
23 other communication intended to influence, manipulate, or  
24 control a betting outcome of a sporting contest or of any  
25 individual occurrence or performance in a sporting contest in  
26 exchange for financial gain or to avoid financial or physical

1 harm. "Prohibited conduct" includes statements, actions, and  
2 communications made to a covered person by a third party, such  
3 as a family member or through social media. "Prohibited  
4 conduct" does not include statements, actions, or  
5 communications made or sanctioned by a team or sports  
6 governing body.

7 "Qualified applicant" means an applicant for a license  
8 under this Act whose application meets the mandatory minimum  
9 qualification criteria as required by the Board.

10 "Sporting contest" means a sports event or game on which  
11 the State allows sports wagering to occur under this Act.

12 "Sports event" means a professional sport or athletic  
13 event, a collegiate sport or athletic event, a motor race  
14 event, or any other event or competition of relative skill  
15 authorized by the Board under this Act.

16 "Sports facility" means a facility that hosts sports  
17 events and holds a seating capacity greater than 17,000  
18 persons, except in a municipality with a population of more  
19 than 1,000,000, a seating capacity greater than 10,000  
20 persons.

21 "Sports governing body" means the organization that  
22 prescribes final rules and enforces codes of conduct with  
23 respect to a sports event and participants therein.

24 "Sports wagering" means accepting wagers on sports events  
25 or portions of sports events, or on the individual performance  
26 statistics of athletes in a sports event or combination of

1 sports events, by any system or method of wagering, including,  
2 but not limited to, in person or over the Internet through  
3 websites and on mobile devices. "Sports wagering" includes,  
4 but is not limited to, single-game bets, teaser bets, parlays,  
5 over-under, moneyline, pools, exchange wagering, in-game  
6 wagering, in-play bets, proposition bets, and straight bets.  
7 "Sports wagering" also includes participation in any  
8 prediction market involving a sports event or any portion of a  
9 sports event, or the individual performance statistics of  
10 athletes in a sports event, including the offering, listing,  
11 solicitation, purchase, sale, trading, exchange, or settlement  
12 of any event contract, sports-event contract, or other  
13 contract, agreement, or transaction, whether described as a  
14 derivative, option, binary contract, or similar instrument, in  
15 which a person risks something of value on the occurrence,  
16 nonoccurrence, or outcome of such sports event or any portion  
17 of a sports event or athlete performance statistics; such  
18 activity constitutes sports wagering regardless of whether the  
19 contract, agreement, or transaction is entered into on a  
20 peer-to-peer basis, whether participants take positions  
21 against one another rather than against the operator, whether  
22 the operator is not a counterparty to the transaction, or  
23 whether the operator describes the activity as an investing  
24 opportunity, exchange, marketplace, or prediction market.

25 "Sports wagering account" means a financial record  
26 established by a master sports wagering licensee for an

1 individual patron in which the patron may deposit and withdraw  
2 funds for sports wagering and other authorized purchases and  
3 to which the master sports wagering licensee may credit  
4 winnings or other amounts due to that patron or authorized by  
5 that patron.

6 "Tier 1 sports wager" means a sports wager that is  
7 determined solely by the final score or final outcome of the  
8 sports event and is placed before the sports event has begun.

9 "Tier 2 sports wager" means a sports wager that is not a  
10 tier 1 sports wager.

11 "Wager" means a sum of money or thing of value risked on an  
12 uncertain occurrence.

13 "Winning bidder" means a qualified applicant for a master  
14 sports wagering license chosen through the competitive  
15 selection process under Section 25-45.

16 (Source: P.A. 101-31, eff. 6-28-19; 102-689, eff. 12-17-21.)