



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB3214

Introduced 2/19/2021, by Rep. Robert Rita

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

230 ILCS 45/25-30

Amends the Sports Wagering Act. Provides that to be issued a master sports wagering license, an organization licensee under the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 shall: (1) have entered into a signed contract with the horsemen's association representing the largest number of owners, trainers, jockeys, or standardbred drivers who race horses at the race meeting of the organization licensee that covers the entire term of a master sports wagering license and the conditions at which the organization gaming licensee would conduct sports wagering, including, but not limited to, a purse share of not less than 6% of adjusted gross sports wagering receipts (with specified purse distributions if 2 different breeds race at the same racetrack) and providing services for backstretch workers; and (2) have been issued an organization gaming license under the Illinois Gambling Act. Requires an organization licensee to meet the same requirements in order to renew the master sports wagering license. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 25-30 as follows:

6 (230 ILCS 45/25-30)

7 Sec. 25-30. Master sports wagering license issued to an  
8 organization licensee.

9 (a) An organization licensee may apply to the Board for a  
10 master sports wagering license. On and after the effective  
11 date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly, the  
12 Board shall only issue a master sports wagering license to an  
13 organization licensee that:

14 (1) has entered into a signed contract with the horsemen's  
15 association representing the largest number of owners,  
16 trainers, jockeys, or standardbred drivers who race horses  
17 at the race meeting of the organization licensee that  
18 covers the entire term of a master sports wagering license  
19 and the conditions at which the organization gaming  
20 licensee would conduct sports wagering, including, but not  
21 limited to:

22 (A) a purse share of not less than 6% of adjusted gross  
23 sports wagering receipts; if 2 different breeds race

1           at the same racetrack in the same calendar year, the  
2           purse moneys allocated under this subparagraph (A)  
3           shall be divided pro rata based on live racing days  
4           awarded by the Board to that racetrack for each breed;  
5           however, the ratio may not exceed 60% for either  
6           breed, except if one breed is awarded fewer than 20  
7           live racing days, in which case the purse moneys  
8           allocated shall be divided pro rata based on live  
9           racing days; and

10           (B) providing services for backstretch workers; and

11           (2) has been issued an organization gaming license under  
12           the Illinois Gambling Act.

13           To the extent permitted by federal and State law, the Board  
14           shall actively seek to achieve racial, ethnic, and geographic  
15           diversity when issuing master sports wagering licenses to  
16           organization licensees and encourage minority-owned  
17           businesses, women-owned businesses, veteran-owned businesses,  
18           and businesses owned by persons with disabilities to apply for  
19           licensure. Additionally, the report published under subsection  
20           (m) of Section 25-45 shall impact the issuance of the master  
21           sports wagering license to the extent permitted by federal and  
22           State law.

23           For the purposes of this subsection (a), "minority-owned  
24           business", "women-owned business", and "business owned by  
25           persons with disabilities" have the meanings given to those  
26           terms in Section 2 of the Business Enterprise for Minorities,

1 Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act.

2 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection (b),  
3 the initial license fee for a master sports wagering license  
4 for an organization licensee is 5% of its handle from the  
5 preceding calendar year or the lowest amount that is required  
6 to be paid as an initial license fee by an owners licensee  
7 under subsection (b) of Section 25-35, whichever is greater.  
8 No initial license fee shall exceed \$10,000,000. An  
9 organization licensee licensed on the effective date of this  
10 Act shall pay the initial master sports wagering license fee  
11 by July 1, 2021. For an organization licensee licensed after  
12 the effective date of this Act, the master sports wagering  
13 license fee shall be \$5,000,000, but the amount shall be  
14 adjusted 12 months after the organization licensee begins  
15 racing operations based on 5% of its handle from the first 12  
16 months of racing operations. The master sports wagering  
17 license is valid for 4 years.

18 (c) The organization licensee may renew the master sports  
19 wagering license for a period of 4 years by paying a \$1,000,000  
20 renewal fee to the Board. To renew the master sports wagering  
21 license, an organization licensee shall meet the requirements  
22 in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a).

23 (d) An organization licensee issued a master sports  
24 wagering license may conduct sports wagering:

25 (1) at its facility at which inter-track wagering is  
26 conducted pursuant to an inter-track wagering license

1 under the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975;

2 (2) at 3 inter-track wagering locations if the  
3 inter-track wagering location licensee from which it  
4 derives its license is an organization licensee that is  
5 issued a master sports wagering license; and

6 (3) over the Internet or through a mobile application.

7 (e) The sports wagering offered over the Internet or  
8 through a mobile application shall only be offered under  
9 either the same brand as the organization licensee is  
10 operating under or a brand owned by a direct or indirect  
11 holding company that owns at least an 80% interest in that  
12 organization licensee on the effective date of this Act.

13 (f) Until issuance of the first license under Section  
14 25-45, an individual must create a sports wagering account in  
15 person at a facility under paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection  
16 (d) to participate in sports wagering offered over the  
17 Internet or through a mobile application.

18 (Source: P.A. 101-31, eff. 6-28-19; 101-648, eff. 6-30-20.)

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
20 becoming law.