

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR

S.P. 913 - L.D. 2117

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Sports Wagering Licensing

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §1206, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

4. Fees. The fee for an initial or renewed facility sports wagering license issued prior to September 1, 2024 is \$4,000 and for an initial or renewed facility sports wagering license issued on or after September 1, 2024 is \$1,000. The fee must be retained by the director for the costs of administering this chapter. In addition to the license fee, the director may charge a processing fee for an initial or renewed license in an amount equal to the projected cost of processing the application and performing any background investigations. If the actual cost exceeds the projected cost, an additional fee may be charged to meet the actual cost. If the projected cost exceeds the actual cost, the difference may be refunded to the applicant or licensee.

Sec. 2. 8 MRSA §1206, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

5. Term of license. Except as provided in subsection 6, a license granted or renewed under this section prior to September 1, 2024 is valid for 4 years and a license granted or renewed under this section on or after September 1, 2024 is valid for one year unless sooner revoked by the director or the commissioner under section 1205. The failure of a facility sports wagering licensee to maintain its underlying off-track betting license voids the facility sports wagering license.

Sec. 3. 8 MRSA §1206, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

6. Temporary license. An applicant for a facility sports wagering license may submit with the application a request for a temporary license. A request for a temporary license must include the initial license fee of \$4,000 under subsection 4. If the director determines that the applicant is qualified under subsection 2, meets the requirements established by rule for a temporary license and has paid the initial license fee and the director is not aware of any reason the applicant is ineligible for a license under this section, the director may

issue a temporary facility sports wagering license. A temporary license issued under this subsection is valid for ~~one year~~ the length of the term of the license under subsection 5 or until a final determination on the facility sports wagering license application is made, whichever is sooner. If after investigation the director determines that the applicant is eligible for a facility sports wagering license under this chapter, the director shall issue the initial facility sports wagering license, at which time the temporary license terminates. The initial facility sports wagering license is valid for 4 years from the date that the temporary license was issued by the director for an applicant that applied for an initial license prior to September 1, 2024 and for one year from the date that the temporary license was issued by the director for an applicant that applied for an initial license on or after September 1, 2024. Sports wagering conducted under authority of a temporary license must comply with the facility operator's house rules adopted under section 1211.

Sec. 4. 8 MRS §1207, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

4. Fees. The fee for an initial or renewed mobile sports wagering license issued prior to September 1, 2024 is \$200,000 and for an initial or renewed mobile sports wagering license issued on or after September 1, 2024 is \$50,000. The fee must be retained by the director for the costs of administering this chapter. In addition to the license fee, the director may charge a processing fee for an initial or renewed license in an amount equal to the projected cost of processing the application and performing any background investigations. If the actual cost exceeds the projected cost, an additional fee may be charged to meet the actual cost. If the projected cost exceeds the actual cost, the difference may be refunded to the applicant or licensee.

Sec. 5. 8 MRS §1207, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

5. Term of license. Except as provided in subsection 6, a license granted or renewed under this section prior to September 1, 2024 is valid for 4 years and a license granted or renewed under this section on or after September 1, 2024 is valid for one year unless sooner revoked by the director or the commissioner under section 1205.

Sec. 6. 8 MRS §1207, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

6. Temporary license. An applicant for a mobile sports wagering license may submit with the application a request for a temporary license. A request for a temporary license must include the initial license fee ~~of \$200,000~~ under subsection 4. If the director determines that the applicant is qualified under subsection 2, meets the requirements established by rule for a temporary license and has paid the initial license fee and the director is not aware of any reason the applicant is ineligible for a license under this section, the director may issue a temporary mobile sports wagering license. A temporary license issued under this subsection is valid for ~~one year~~ the length of the term of the license under subsection 5 or until a final determination on the mobile sports wagering license application is made, whichever is sooner. If after investigation the director determines that the applicant is eligible for a mobile sports wagering license under this chapter, the director shall issue the initial mobile sports wagering license, at which time the temporary license terminates. The initial mobile sports wagering license is valid for 4 years from the date that the temporary license was issued by the director for an applicant that applied for an

initial license prior to September 1, 2024 and for one year from the date that the temporary license was issued by the director for an applicant that applied for an initial license on or after September 1, 2024. Sports wagering conducted under authority of a temporary license must comply with the mobile operator's house rules adopted under section 1211.

Sec. 7. 8 MRSA §1208, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

4. Fees. The fee for an initial or renewed supplier license issued prior to September 1, 2024 is \$40,000 and for an initial or renewed supplier license issued on or after September 1, 2024 is \$10,000. The fee must be retained by the director for the costs of administering this chapter. In addition to the license fee, the director may charge a processing fee for an initial or renewed license in an amount equal to the projected cost of processing the application and performing any background investigations. If the actual cost exceeds the projected cost, an additional fee may be charged to meet the actual cost. If the projected cost exceeds the actual cost, the difference may be refunded to the applicant or licensee.

Sec. 8. 8 MRSA §1208, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

5. Term of license. Except as provided in subsection 6, a license granted or renewed under this section prior to September 1, 2024 is valid for 4 years and a license granted or renewed under this section on or after September 1, 2024 is valid for one year unless sooner revoked by the director or the commissioner under section 1205.

Sec. 9. 8 MRSA §1208, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

6. Temporary license. An applicant for a supplier license may submit with the application a request for a temporary license. A request for a temporary license must include the initial license fee ~~of \$40,000~~ under subsection 4. If the director determines that the applicant is qualified under subsection ~~2~~ 1, meets the requirements established by rule for a temporary license and has paid the initial license fee and the director is not aware of any reason the applicant is ineligible for a license under this section, the director may issue a temporary supplier license. A temporary license issued under this subsection is valid for ~~one year~~ the length of the term of the license under subsection 5 or until a final determination on the supplier license application is made, whichever is sooner. If after investigation the director determines that the applicant is eligible for a supplier license under this chapter, the director shall issue the initial supplier license, at which time the temporary license terminates. The initial supplier license is valid for 4 years from the date that the temporary license was issued by the director for an applicant that applied for an initial license prior to September 1, 2024 and for one year from the date that the temporary license was issued by the director for an applicant that applied for an initial license on or after September 1, 2024.

Sec. 10. 8 MRSA §1209, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

4. Fees. The fee for an initial or renewed management services license issued prior to September 1, 2024 is \$40,000 and for an initial or renewed management services license issued on or after September 1, 2024 is \$10,000. The fee must be retained by the director

for the costs of administering this chapter. In addition to the license fee, the director may charge a processing fee for an initial or renewed license in an amount equal to the projected cost of processing the application and performing any background investigations. If the actual cost exceeds the projected cost, an additional fee may be charged to meet the actual cost. If the projected cost exceeds the actual cost, the difference may be refunded to the applicant or licensee.

Sec. 11. 8 MRSA §1209, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

5. Term of license. Except as provided in subsection 6, a license granted or renewed under this section prior to September 1, 2024 is valid for 4 years and a license granted or renewed under this section on or after September 1, 2024 is valid for one year unless sooner revoked by the director or the commissioner under section 1205.

Sec. 12. 8 MRSA §1209, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 681, Pt. J, §6, is amended to read:

6. Temporary license. An applicant for a management services license may submit with the application a request for a temporary license. A request for a temporary license must include the initial license fee of ~~\$40,000~~ under subsection 4. If the director determines that the applicant is qualified under subsection 1, meets the requirements established by rule for a temporary license and has paid the initial license fee and the director is not aware of any reason the applicant is ineligible for a license under this section, the director may issue a temporary management services license. A temporary license issued under this subsection is valid for ~~one year~~ the length of the term of the license under subsection 5 or until a final determination on the management services license application is made, whichever is sooner. If after investigation the director determines that the applicant is eligible for a management services license under this chapter, the director shall issue the initial management services license, at which time the temporary license terminates. The initial management services license is valid for 4 years from the date that the temporary license was issued by the director for an applicant that applied for an initial license prior to September 1, 2024 and for one year from the date that the temporary license was issued by the director for an applicant that applied for an initial license on or after September 1, 2024.