

STAFF AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE OF MEETING: August 16, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Proposed Amendments to Sports Wagering Regulations

PRESENTER: George H. Butler, Jr., Principal Policy Analyst, Dept. of Legislative Services

ISSUE SUMMARY: We are presenting proposed amendments to regulations in the Sports Wagering subtitle. These amendments implement a provision of law enacted during the 2023 legislative session.

**Proposed Amendments To
COMAR Title 36 Maryland State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency**

**SUBTITLE 11 SPORTS WAGERING APPLICATION REVIEW COMMISSION (SWARC)
Chapter 02 All Applicants and Awardees
*Regulation .20 Request to Change Proposed Facility Location***

The proposed amendments would implement Section 2 of SB621 (enacted as Chapter 638 *Laws of Maryland 2023*). Section 2 authorizes SWARC and the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to consider a request to amend a Class B-2 sports wagering facility application, for a sports wagering license that was awarded on or before February 15, 2023, for the purpose of altering the proposed location of the facility.

COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTED:

- 1) After review and any discussion, motion to approve the proposed amendments to Sports Wagering regulations as emergency and proposed regulations; and
- 2) Motion to delegate to Staff the authority to make any non-substantive changes to the approved regulation amendments that may be necessary to prepare them for publication in the Maryland Register.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Staff recommends approval of both motions.