



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB4324

Introduced 1/16/2024, by Rep. John M. Cabello

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act
5 ILCS 100/5-45.55 new

Creates the Social Gaming Act. Provides that no person may operate a social gaming board game or manufacture and distribute social gaming boards without a license issued by the Illinois Gaming Board. Provides that the Board shall license social gaming board manufacturers, social gaming board distributors, and social gaming locations and specifies license fees. Provides that the Board shall report to the Governor and the General Assembly, no later than December 31, 2024 and each year thereafter through 2028, on the implementation and administration of the Act. Sets forth provisions concerning license fees, maximum payouts, and relief from disciplinary actions. Provides that the Board shall adopt rules and emergency rules to implement and administer the Act. Makes a conforming change in the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. Effective immediately.

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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 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Social
5 Gaming Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

7 "Board" means the Illinois Gaming Board.

8 "Eligible location" means a location with a valid license
9 to host a video gaming terminal or terminals under the Video
10 Gaming Act.

11 "Social gaming board distributor" means a person who
12 distributes social gaming boards.

13 "Social gaming board game" means a game using a square,
14 two-dimensional board, graphically drawn to present 100
15 separate spaces in a configuration in which 10 separate lines,
16 each numbered consecutively in an order 0 through 9, are laid
17 out on each side of the board and a winner is selected by
18 matching the final score of a sporting event to the matching
19 box selected by a player.

20 "Social gaming board manufacturer" means a person who
21 manufactures social gaming boards.

22 "Social gaming location" means an eligible location at
23 which bets on a social gaming board game must be placed and

1 paid off within the social gaming location.

2 "Sporting event" means an event operated by the National
3 Football League, Major League Baseball, National Association
4 for Stock Car Auto Racing, PGA Tour, LIV Golf, and any horse
5 race track that is authorized to host races in the United
6 States. "Sporting event" also includes a football game played
7 within Division I of the National Collegiate Athletic
8 Association.

9 Section 10. Licensure.

10 (a) No person may operate a social gaming board game or
11 manufacture and distribute social gaming boards without a
12 license issued by the Board.

13 (b) The Board shall license social gaming board
14 manufacturers, social gaming board distributors, and social
15 gaming locations. Each licensee shall pay an annual license
16 fee to the Board as follows:

17 (1) a social gaming board manufacturer shall pay a
18 license fee of \$5,000 to the Board;

19 (2) a social gaming board distributor shall pay a
20 license fee of \$1,000 to the Board; and

21 (3) the operator of a social gaming location shall pay
22 a license fee of \$50 to the Board.

23 (c) The operator of a social gaming location shall not pay
24 out more than \$1,199 per social gaming board game.

25 (d) A licensee may pursue relief from a disciplinary

1 action or penalty with the Illinois Gaming Board in accordance
2 with the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act.

3 Section 15. Report. The Board shall report to the Governor
4 and the General Assembly, no later than December 31, 2024 and
5 each year thereafter through 2028, on the implementation and
6 administration of this Act.

7 Section 20. Rules. The Board shall adopt rules and
8 emergency rules to implement and administer this Act.

9 Section 90. The Illinois Administrative Procedure Act is
10 amended by adding Section 5-45.55 as follows:

11 (5 ILCS 100/5-45.55 new)

12 Sec. 5-45.55. Emergency rulemaking; Social Gaming Act. To
13 provide for the expeditious and timely implementation of the
14 Social Gaming Act, emergency rules implementing the Social
15 Gaming Act may be adopted in accordance with Section 5-45 by
16 the Illinois Gaming Board. The adoption of emergency rules
17 authorized by Section 5-45 and this Section is deemed to be
18 necessary for the public interest, safety, and welfare.

19 This Section is repealed one year after the effective date
20 of this amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly.

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
22 becoming law.