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1	SENATE BILL NO. 348
2	Offered January 10, 2018
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4 5	A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 58.1-4002, 58.1-4006, 58.1-4007, 58.1-4007.2, 58.1-4011, 58.1-4014, 58.1-4014.1, 58.1-4015, 58.1-4019, 58.1-4021, and 58.1-4027 of the Code of Virginia and to amend
5 6	the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 58.1-4007.3 through 58.1-4007.6, relating to
7	Virginia Lottery; digital vendors.
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9	Deferre d to Committee on Committee and Technology
10 11	Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
12	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
13	1. That §§ 58.1-4002, 58.1-4006, 58.1-4007, 58.1-4007.2, 58.1-4011, 58.1-4014, 58.1-4014.1, 58.1-4015,
14	58.1-4019, 58.1-4021, and 58.1-4027 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted and that
15	the Code of Virginia is amended by adding sections numbered 58.1-4007.3 through 58.1-4007.6 as
16 17	follows: § 58.1-4002. Definitions.
17	For the purposes of this chapter:
19	"Board" means the Virginia Lottery Board established by this chapter.
20	"Department" means the independent agency responsible for the administration of the Virginia
21	Lottery created in this chapter.
22	"Digital vendor" means a person who has registered with the Department pursuant to § 58.1-4007.2
23 24	to sell drawing game tickets over the Internet pursuant to §§ 58.1-4007.3 through 58.1-4007.6. "Director" means the Director of the Virginia Lottery.
25	"Drawing game ticket" means an entry in a drawing or promotion where a number, name, or item is
26	randomly selected in accordance with specific game or promotion rules. "Drawing game ticket" includes
27	a ticket or entry in certain drawing games, whether the scope of such games is national, regional, or
28	limited to Virginia, commonly referred to as Mega Millions, Powerball, Virginia Draw, or Virginia
29 30	Multi-Draw. "Licensed sales agent" means a person to whom the Department has issued a license pursuant to
30 31	subdivision A 10 of § 58.1-4007 to sell or otherwise vend lottery tickets or shares at the licensed sales
32	agent's place of business.
33	"Lottery" or "state lottery" means the lottery or lotteries established and operated pursuant to this
34	chapter.
35 36	"Ticket courier service" means a service operated for the purpose of purchasing Virginia Lottery tickets on behalf of individuals located within or outside the Commonwealth and delivering or
30 37	transmitting such tickets, or electronic images thereof, to such individuals as a business-for-profit
38	delivery service.
39	"Ticket or share" means a lottery ticket or a percentage of ownership in a winning ticket, play, or
40	subscription plan. "Ticket or share" includes a drawing game ticket.
41 42	§ 58.1-4006. Powers of the Director.
42 43	A. The Director shall supervise and administer the operation of the lottery in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and with the rules and regulations promulgated hereunder.
44	B. The Director shall also:
45	1. Employ such deputy directors, professional, technical and clerical assistants, and other employees
46	as may be required to carry out the functions and duties of the Department.
47	2. Act as secretary and executive officer of the Board.
48 49	3. Require bond or other surety satisfactory to the Director from licensed sales agents as provided in subsection E of § 58.1-4009, digital vendors as provided in subsection E of § 58.1-4007.4, and
5 0	Department employees with access to Department funds or lottery funds, in such amount as provided in
51	the rules and regulations of the Board. The Director may also require bond from other employees as he
52	deems necessary.
53 54	4. Confer regularly, but not less than four times each year, with the Board on the operation and
54 55	administration of the lottery; make available for inspection by the Board, upon request, all books, records, files, and other information and documents of the Department; and advise the Board and
55 56	recommend such matters as he deems necessary and advisable to improve the operation and
57	administration of the lottery.
58	5. Suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew any license or registration issued pursuant to this chapter or

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59 the rules and regulations adopted hereunder.

60 6. Enter into contracts for the operation of the lottery, or any part thereof, for the promotion of the lottery and into interstate lottery contracts with other states. A contract awarded or entered into by the 61 62 Director shall not be assigned by the holder thereof except by specific approval of the Director.

63 7. Certify monthly to the State Comptroller and the Board a full and complete statement of lottery 64 revenues, prize disbursements and other expenses for the preceding month.

65 8. Report monthly to the Governor, the Secretary of Finance and the Chairmen of the Senate Finance Committee, House Finance Committee and House Appropriations Committee the total lottery revenues, 66 prize disbursements and other expenses for the preceding month, and make an annual report, which shall 67 include a full and complete statement of lottery revenues, prize disbursements and other expenses, to the 68 Governor and the General Assembly. Such annual report shall also include such recommendations for 69 70 changes in this chapter as the Director and Board deem necessary or desirable.

71 9. Report immediately to the Governor and the General Assembly any matters which require immediate changes in the laws of this Commonwealth in order to prevent abuses and evasions of this 72 73 chapter or the rules and regulations adopted hereunder or to rectify undesirable conditions in connection 74 with the administration or operation of the lottery.

75 10. Notify prize winners and appropriate state and federal agencies of the payment of prizes in excess of \$600 in the manner required by the lottery rules and regulations. 76

77 11. Provide for the withholding of the applicable amount of state and federal income tax of persons 78 claiming a prize for a winning ticket in excess of \$5,001.

79 C. The Director and the director of security or investigators appointed by the Director shall be vested 80 with the powers of sheriff and sworn to enforce the statutes and regulations pertaining to the Department 81 and to investigate violations of the statutes and regulations that the Director is required to enforce.

D. The Director may authorize temporary bonus or incentive programs for payments to licensed sales 82 83 agents or digital vendors which he determines will be cost effective and support increased sales of 84 lottery products. 85

§ 58.1-4007. Powers of the Board.

86 A. The Board shall have the power to adopt regulations governing the establishment and operation of 87 a lottery. The regulations governing the establishment and operation of the lottery shall be promulgated 88 by the Board after consultation with the Director. Such regulations shall be in accordance with the 89 Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.). The regulations shall provide for all matters necessary 90 or desirable for the efficient, honest and economical operation and administration of the lottery and for 91 the convenience of the purchasers of tickets or shares, and the holders of winning tickets or shares. The 92 regulations, which may be amended, repealed or supplemented as necessary, shall include, but not be 93 limited to, the following:

1. The type or types of lottery or game to be conducted in accordance with § 58.1-4001.

2. The price or prices of tickets or shares in the lottery.

96 3. The numbers and sizes of the prizes on the winning tickets or shares, including informing the public of the approximate odds of winning and the proportion of lottery revenues (i) disbursed as prizes 97 98 and (ii) returned to the Commonwealth as net revenues.

99 4. The manner of selecting the winning tickets or shares.

100 5. The manner of payment of prizes to the holders of winning tickets or shares.

101 6. The frequency of the drawings or selections of winning tickets or shares without limitation.

102 7. Without limitation as to number, the type or types of locations at which tickets or shares may be 103 sold.

8. The method to be used in selling tickets or shares.

9. The advertisement of the lottery in accordance with the provisions of subsection E of § 58.1-4022.

10. The licensing of agents to sell tickets or shares who will best serve the public convenience and 106 107 promote the sale of tickets or shares. No person under the age of 18 shall be licensed as an a licensed 108 sales agent. A licensed sales agent may employ a person who is 16 years of age or older to sell or otherwise vend tickets at the licensed sales agent's place of business so long as the employee is 109 supervised in the selling or vending of tickets by the manager or supervisor in charge at the location 110 111 where the tickets are being sold. Employment of such person shall be in compliance with Chapter 5 (§ 112 40.1-78 et seq.) of Title 40.1.

113 11. The manner and amount of compensation, if any, to be paid licensed sales agents or digital vendors necessary to provide for the adequate availability of tickets or shares to prospective buyers and 114 115 for the convenience of the public. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, the Board shall not 116 be required to approve temporary bonus or incentive programs for payments to licensed sales agents or 117 digital vendors.

12. Apportionment of the total revenues accruing from the sale of tickets or shares and from all other 118 119 sources and establishment of the amount of the special reserve fund as provided in § 58.1-4022 of this 120 chapter.

121 13. Such other matters necessary or desirable for the efficient and economical operation and 122 administration of the lottery.

123 14. The registration of digital vendors to sell drawing game tickets over the Internet.

124 The Department shall not be subject to the provisions of Chapter 43 (§ 2.2-4300 et seq.) of Title 2.2; 125 however, the Board shall promulgate regulations, after consultation with the Director, relative to 126 departmental procurement which include standards of ethics for procurement consistent with the provisions of Article 6 (§ 2.2-4367 et seq.) of Chapter 43 of Title 2.2 and which ensure that 127 128 departmental procurement will be based on competitive principles.

129 The Board shall have the power to advise and recommend, but shall have no power to veto or 130 modify administrative decisions of the Director. However, the Board shall have the power to accept, 131 modify or reject any revenue projections before such projections are forwarded to the Governor.

132 B. The Board shall carry on a continuous study and investigation of the lottery throughout the 133 Commonwealth to:

134 1. Ascertain any defects of this chapter or the regulations issued hereunder which cause abuses in the 135 administration and operation of the lottery and any evasions of such provisions.

136 2. Formulate, with the Director, recommendations for changes in this chapter and the regulations 137 promulgated hereunder to prevent such abuses and evasions.

138 3. Guard against the use of this chapter and the regulations promulgated hereunder as a subterfuge 139 for organized crime and illegal gambling.

140 4. Ensure that this law and the regulations of the Board are in such form and are so administered as 141 to serve the true purpose of this chapter.

142 C. The Board shall make a continuous study and investigation of (i) the operation and the 143 administration of similar laws which may be in effect in other states or countries, (ii) any literature on 144 the subject which may be published or available, (iii) any federal laws which may affect the operation of the lottery, and (iv) the reaction of Virginia citizens to the potential features of the lottery with a 145 146 view to recommending or effecting changes that will serve the purpose of this chapter.

147 D. The Board shall hear and decide an appeal of any denial by the Director of the licensing or 148 revocation of a license of a lottery agent an application for a license or registration, or suspension or revocation of a license or registration, pursuant to subdivision subdivisions A 10 of subsection A and 14 149 150 of this section and subdivision B = 5 of subsection B of § 58.1-4006 of this chapter.

151 E. The Board shall have the authority to initiate procedures for the planning, acquisition, and 152 construction of capital projects as set forth in Article 4 (§ 2.2-1129 et seq.) of Chapter 11 and Article 3 153 (§ 2.2-1819 et seq.) of Chapter 18 of Title 2.2. 154

§ 58.1-4007.2. Internet sales generally.

155 A. The Department shall not sell lottery tickets or shares directly to consumers over the Internet; 156 however, it shall provide for the registration of digital vendors to sell drawing game tickets over the Internet pursuant to §§ 58.1-4007.3 through 58.1-4007.6. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 157 158 A of § 58.1-4009, digital vendors may be engaged primarily in the business of selling lottery tickets.

159 B. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit (i) the use of the Internet to relay 160 information or data relating to sales made to purchasers by licensed sales agents, their employees, or employees of the Department or (ii) the sale by the Department of prepaid subscriptions for the purchase 161 of lottery tickets or shares for subsequent prize drawings. 162

163 C. Upon registering with the Department as provided in subsection A, digital vendors may sell 164 drawing game tickets over the Internet subject to the requirements of §§ 58.1-4007.3 through 165 58.1-4007.6.

166 § 58.1-4007.3. Registration of digital vendors; applications.

A. Application for registration as a digital vendor shall be made on forms prescribed by the 167 168 Department.

169 B. Each registration application shall contain the following information:

170 1. The name and principal address of the applicant; if a corporation, the state of its incorporation, 171 the name and address of each officer and director thereof, and the name and address of each principal 172 stockholder or member thereof; if a foreign corporation, whether it is qualified to do business in the 173 Commonwealth; and if a partnership or joint venture, the name and address of each partner or 174 co-venturer thereof;

175 2. The address of any offices of the applicant in the Commonwealth and its designated agent for 176 process within the Commonwealth. If the applicant does not designate an agent, it shall be deemed to 177 have designated the Director. If the applicant does not maintain an office, it shall provide the name and 178 address of the person having custody of its financial records;

179 3. The place where and the date when the applicant was legally established and the form of its 180 organization;

181 4. Information regarding internal controls as specified in subsection C; and **SB348**

182 5. Any other information the Department deems necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions 183 of this chapter.

184 C. The chief security officer of the Virginia Lottery shall conduct a background investigation on the 185 applicant and, as deemed necessary by the chief security officer, on each principal stockholder, member, 186 partner, or co-venturer of the applicant. The background investigation shall include a credit history 187 check, a tax record check, and a criminal history record information check.

188 D. Each applicant shall submit to the Department information regarding certain internal controls. 189 The submitted information shall show that the applicant has established and will implement internal 190 controls that:

191 1. Ensure that only persons physically located in the Commonwealth at the time of sale may 192 purchase drawing game tickets from the applicant;

2. Verify that only persons 18 years of age or older may purchase drawing game tickets from the 193 194 applicant;

195 3. Allow persons to request that the applicant restrict them from purchasing drawing game tickets; 196 and

197 4. Ensure that persons who request such restriction are prevented from purchasing drawing game 198 tickets from the applicant.

199 E. Each registration application shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee, the 200 amount of which shall be set by the Department; however, such amount shall not exceed an amount that 201 is reasonable to offset the cost of regulating digital vendors.

202 F. If the Department allows applicants to submit registration applications over the Internet, the 203 applicant shall follow procedures prescribed by the Department regarding electronic signature.

G. Any registration issued by the Department shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance. 204 205 Any digital vendor may renew its registration pursuant to procedures and fees prescribed by the 206 Department. If a digital vendor allows its registration to lapse, it shall resubmit a registration application; however, the Department may grant an extension of the time to file a renewal application 207 208 upon receipt of a written request from the digital vendor. 209

§ 58.1-4007.4. Criteria for approval or denial of registration as a digital vendor.

A. The Department shall consider all applications for registration as a digital vendor that contain 210 211 the information required under subsections B and D of § 58.1-4007.3 and shall issue a registration to 212 an applicant unless the Department finds grounds for denial pursuant to subsection C, D, or E. Within 213 60 days of receipt of the registration application, the Department either shall issue a registration or 214 provide the applicant with a written explanation of denial. The Department's action shall be final unless 215 appealed in accordance with subsection D of § 58.1-4007.

216 B. Any applicant may sell drawing game tickets over the Internet while its application is under consideration by the Department; however, if the Department has reasonable cause to believe that the 217 218 applicant is in violation of any provision of this chapter, it may require the applicant to cease selling 219 drawing game tickets until a registration is issued.

220 C. If the applicant is a corporation, the Department shall deny registration to any such applicant 221 that fails to satisfy the following criteria:

222 1. All principal stockholders or members have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth for 223 the purposes of this chapter:

224 2. All nonresident principal stockholders have designated the Director as their agent for receipt of 225 process;

226 3. The applicant's articles of incorporation provide that it may, on vote of a majority of the stockholders or members, purchase at fair market value the entire membership interest of any stockholder or require the resignation of any member that creates reason for denial of registration as 227 228 229 specified in subsection D: and

230 4. If the applicant is a stock corporation, its stock shall be fully paid, nonassessable, subscribed, and 231 paid for only in cash or property, and if the applicant is a nonstock corporation, it shall have at least 232 five members.

233 D. The Department may deny registration to any applicant if it finds that the applicant, or any 234 director, officer, partner, or principal stockholder of the applicant:

235 1. Knowingly has made a false statement of material fact or deliberately has failed to disclose any 236 information requested by the Department;

237 2. Is or has been found guilty of any illegal, corrupt, or fraudulent act, practice, or conduct in 238 connection with the sale of drawing game tickets in the Commonwealth or any other state;

239 3. Has been convicted of a felony, a crime of moral turpitude, or any criminal offense involving 240 dishonesty or breach of trust within the 10 years prior to the submission date of the registration 241 application:

242 4. Knowingly has failed to comply with the provisions of this chapter or any requirements of the 243 Department:

244 5. Has failed to provide for and implement adequate internal controls as required by subsection D of 245 § 58.1-4007.3;

246 6. Has had a license, registration, or permit to sell drawing game tickets suspended, revoked, or 247 denied for just cause in any other state;

248 7. Has been convicted of bookmaking or other forms of illegal gambling;

249 8. Has engaged in conduct prejudicial to public confidence in the lottery;

250 9. Has defaulted in payment of any obligation or debt due to the Commonwealth; or

251 10. Is not qualified to do business in the Commonwealth or is not subject to the jurisdiction of the 252 Commonwealth.

253 E. Prior to issuance of registration, every digital vendor shall either (i) be bonded by a surety 254 company entitled to do business in the Commonwealth in such amount and penalty as may be prescribed 255 by the regulations of the Department or (ii) provide other surety as may be satisfactory to the Director, 256 payable to the State Lottery Department, and conditioned on faithful performance of its duties. Such 257 surety shall be prescribed by Department regulations and shall not exceed a reasonable amount.

258 F. Whoever knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or misrepresents a material fact or knowingly 259 and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in any application for 260 registration to the Virginia Lottery for a digital vendor is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. 261

§ 58.1-4007.5. Independent audit.

262 A digital vendor shall (i) annually contract with a certified public accountant to conduct an 263 independent audit consistent with standards accepted by the Board of Accountancy; (ii) annually 264 contract with a testing laboratory recognized by the Department to verify the effectiveness of internal 265 controls implemented pursuant to subsection D of § 58.1-4007.3; and (iii) submit to the Department a 266 report of any audits and tests required under this section. 267

§ 58.1-4007.6. Suspension or revocation of registration.

268 A. The Department may suspend or revoke a registration or impose on a digital vendor a monetary 269 penalty of not more than \$1,000 for each violation of this chapter. The total penalty imposed on a 270 digital vendor shall not exceed \$50,000. Before suspending or revoking a registration or imposing a 271 monetary penalty, the Department shall provide at least 15 days' notice and a hearing.

272 B. The Department may revoke a registration if it finds that, based on information not known to it at 273 the time it considered the registration application, the digital vendor is or was ineligible for 274 registration.

275 C. The Department summarily may suspend any registration for a period of not more than seven 276 days pending a hearing and final determination by the Department if the Department determines that a 277 violation of this chapter has occurred and emergency action is required to protect the public health, 278 safety, and welfare. The Department shall (i) schedule a hearing within seven business days after it 279 summarily suspends the registration and (ii) notify the digital vendor not less than five days before the 280 hearing of the time, date, and place of the hearing.

281 D. If the Department suspends or revokes a registration, it shall provide the digital vendor with a 282 written explanation. The Department's action shall be final unless appealed in accordance with 283 subsection D of § 58.1-4007. Suspension or revocation of a registration issued by the Department for 284 any violation of this chapter shall not preclude civil liability for such violation. 285

§ 58.1-4011. Meaning of "gross receipts."

286 A. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 37 (§ 58.1-3700 et seq.) or § 58.1-4025 relating to 287 local license taxes, the term "gross receipts" as used in Chapter 37 shall include only the compensation 288 actually paid to a licensed sales agent or digital vendor as provided by rule or regulation adopted by the 289 Board consistent with the provisions of subdivision A 11 of § 58.1-4007.

290 B. Unless otherwise provided by contract, any person licensed as a lottery sales agent or digital 291 vendor who makes rental payments for the business premises on which state lottery tickets are sold on 292 the basis of retail sales shall have that portion of rental payment based on sales of state lottery tickets or 293 shares computed on the basis of the compensation received as a lottery licensed sales agent or digital 294 *vendor* from the Virginia Lottery. 295

§ 58.1-4014. Price of tickets or shares; who may sell; penalty.

296 A. No person shall sell a ticket or share at any price or at any location other than that fixed by rules 297 and regulations of the Department. No person other than a licensed lottery sales agent or his employee 298 or a digital vendor shall sell lottery tickets or shares, except that nothing in this section shall be 299 construed to prevent any person from giving lottery tickets or shares to another person over the age of 300 18 years as a gift. No person shall operate a ticket courier service in the Commonwealth, except as this 301 chapter provides for sales by digital vendors.

302 B. No digital vendor may charge any fees or other charges in addition to the price of the drawing 303 game ticket being sold.

304 C. Any person convicted of violating this section is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. **SB348**

305 § 58.1-4014.1. Method of payment for purchase of tickets or shares.

306 Lottery Licensed sales agents licensed in accordance with this chapter and digital vendors shall 307 accept only cash or debit cards in payment for the purchase of lottery tickets or shares. 308

§ 58.1-4015. Sale of ticket or share to person under eighteen prohibited; penalty.

309 No ticket or share shall be sold to or redeemed from any person under the age of eighteen 18 years. 310 Any licensee licensed sales agent or digital vendor who knowingly sells or offers to sell or redeem a 311 lottery ticket or share to or from any person under the age of eighteen 18 years is guilty of a Class 1 312 misdemeanor. 313

§ 58.1-4019. Certain persons ineligible to purchase tickets or shares or receive prizes.

314 A. No ticket or share shall be purchased by, and no prize shall be paid on a ticket purchased by or 315 transferred to, any Board member, officer or employee of the lottery, or any board member, officer or employee of any vendor to the lottery of lottery on-line or instant ticket goods or services working 316 317 directly on a contract with the Department for such goods or services, or any person residing in the 318 same household of such member, officer or employee or any person under the age of eighteen years, or 319 transferee of any such persons.

320 B. Only natural persons may purchase lottery tickets and claim prize winnings. In all cases, the identity and social security number of all natural persons who receive a prize greater than \$100 from a 321 322 winning ticket redeemed at any Department office shall be provided in order to comply with this section 323 and §§ 58.1-4015, 58.1-4016 and 58.1-4026, and Chapter 19 (§ 63.2-1900 et seq.) of Title 63.2.

C. Digital vendors shall withhold prize winnings of \$100 or less if required to do so by the Director 324 pursuant to § 58.1-4026 or Chapter 19 (§ 63.2-1900 et seq.) of Title 63.2. 325

326 § 58.1-4021. Deposit of moneys received by agents and vendors; performance of functions, etc., 327 in connection with operation of lottery; compensation of agents and vendors.

328 A. The Director shall require all lottery licensed sales agents and digital vendors to deposit to the 329 credit of the Virginia Lottery Fund in banks, designated by the State Treasurer, all moneys received by 330 such licensed sales agents and digital vendors from the sale of lottery tickets or shares, less any amount 331 paid as prizes or retained as compensation to licensed sales agents and digital vendors for the sale of 332 the tickets or shares, and to file with the Director, or his designated agents, reports of their receipts, 333 transactions, and disbursements pertaining to the sale of lottery tickets in such form and containing such information as he may require. Such deposits and reports shall be submitted at such times and within 334 335 such intervals as shall be prescribed by rule and regulation of the Department. The Director may arrange 336 for any person, including a bank, to perform such functions, activities, or services in connection with the 337 operation of the lottery as he may deem advisable pursuant to this chapter and the rules and regulations 338 of the Department, and such functions, activities, and services shall constitute lawful functions, activities, 339 and services of the person.

340 B. The rules and regulations of the Department shall provide for a service charge to the licensed 341 sales agent or digital vendor if any payor bank dishonors a check or draft tendered for deposit to the credit of the Virginia Lottery Fund by a licensed sales agent or digital vendor or for an electronic 342 343 transfer of funds to the Virginia Lottery Fund from the account of a licensed sales agent or digital 344 vendor for money received from the sale of lottery tickets.

345 The regulations of the Department shall provide for a service charge and penalty to a licensed sales 346 agent or digital vendor if any payor bank dishonors a check or draft from the account of a licensed 347 sales agent or digital vendor tendered for payment of any prize by a licensed sales agent or digital vendor to any claimant. Any such charge or penalty so collected by the Department shall be used first to 348 349 reimburse the claimant for any charges or penalties incurred by him as a result of the licensed agent's 350 such dishonored check tendered as payment of any prize and the remainder to offset the Department's 351 administrative costs.

352 C. A licensed sales agent and digital vendor shall be charged interest as provided in § 58.1-15 on the 353 money that is not timely paid to the Virginia Lottery Fund in accordance with the rules and regulations 354 of the Department and shall in addition thereto pay penalties as provided by rules and regulations of the 355 Department.

356 D. Should the Department refer the debt of any licensed sales agent or digital vendor to the Attorney 357 General, the Department of Taxation as provided in Article 21 (§ 58.1-520 et seq.) of Chapter 3, or any 358 other central collection unit of the Commonwealth, an additional service charge shall be imposed in the 359 amount necessary to cover the administrative costs of the Department and agencies to which such debt 360 is referred.

E. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 5 (§ 8.01-257 et seq.) of Title 8.01, in any action for 361 the collection of a debt owed by any licensed sales agent or digital vendor to the lottery, venue shall lie 362 in the City of Richmond. 363

F. 1. All proceeds from the sale of lottery tickets or shares received by a person in the capacity of a 364 licensed sales agent or digital vendor shall constitute a trust fund until deposited into the Virginia 365 366 Lottery Fund either directly or through the Department's authorized collection representative. Proceeds 367 shall include cash proceeds of the sale of any lottery products, less any amount paid as prizes or
368 retained as compensation to *licensed sales* agents *or digital vendors* for the sale of the tickets or shares.
369 Sales Licensed sales agents and digital vendors shall be personally liable for all proceeds.

370 2. All licensed sales agents and digital vendors are required to have and maintain a separate bank 371 account in a bank participating in the Automatic Clearing House system. This account shall be titled as 372 the name of the business followed by "Virginia Lottery Trust" and shall be used exclusively for lottery 373 business. The account described in this subdivision shall be used by the licensed sales agent or digital vendor to make funds available to the lottery through the electronic funds transfer process to settle a 374 375 licensed sales agent's or digital vendor's account for funds owed due to the sale of tickets. All licensed 376 sales agents and digital vendors shall make payments to the lottery through the electronic funds transfer 377 process in accordance with the lottery's licensing or registration procedures, unless the Director 378 designates another form of payment and settlement under terms and conditions he deems appropriate.

379 G. If the Director determines that the deposit or collection from any *licensed* sales agent or digital 380 vendor of any moneys or proceeds under this section is or will be jeopardized or will otherwise be 381 delayed, he may adjust either the time or the interval or both for such deposits or collections of any 382 licensed sales agent or digital vendor; require that all such moneys or proceeds shall be kept separate 383 and apart from all other funds and assets and shall not be commingled with any other funds or assets 384 prior to their deposit or collection under this section; and require such other security of any *licensed* 385 sales agent or digital vendor as he may deem advisable to ensure the timely deposit or collection of 386 moneys or proceeds to the credit of the Virginia Lottery Fund.

387 Collection of moneys or proceeds "is or will be jeopardized or will otherwise be delayed" when (i) a 388 check, draft, or electronic funds transfer to the credit of the Virginia Lottery Fund is dishonored as 389 described in subsection B; (ii) an independent auditor states that the lottery licensed sales agent's or 390 digital vendor's financial condition raises substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going 391 concern; or (iii) the lottery licensed sales agent or digital vendor (a) closes for business or fails to 392 maintain normal business hours without reasonable explanation, (b) has a credit record reflecting recent 393 actions which cast doubt as to its creditworthiness, (c) states it has or may have cash flow problems or 394 may be unable to meet its financial obligations, (d) states it may seek the protection of the federal 395 bankruptcy or state insolvency law, (e) refuses to purchase additional lottery tickets or returns tickets 396 ordered without good cause, or (f) does any other act tending to prejudice or to render wholly or 397 partially ineffectual proceedings to collect moneys or proceeds which are or will become due and 398 payable to the Virginia Lottery Fund.

399 § 58.1-4027. Judicial review.

400 The action of the Board in granting, or in refusing to grant, or denying a license or registration or in 401 suspending or revoking any license or registration under the provisions of this chapter shall be subject 402 to review in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.). Such 403 review shall be limited to the evidential record of the proceedings provided by the Board. Both the 404 petitioner and the Board shall have the right to appeal to the Court of Appeals from any order of the 405 court.