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Introduced by:
(PS)

AN ACT AUTHORIZING A TRIBAL RESORT-CASINO IN BRIDGEPORT, SPORTS WAGERING, ONLINE CASINO GAMING AND ONLINE LOTTERY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) For the purposes of this
2 section and sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act:

3 (1) "Casino gaming facility" has the same meaning as provided in
4 section 12-557b of the general statutes, as amended by this act;

5 (2) "Electronic wagering platform" means the combination of
6 hardware, software and data networks used to manage, administer,
7 offer or control online sports wagering, including through an Internet
8 web site or a mobile device, or online casino gaming;

9 (3) "E-sports" means electronic sports and competitive video games
10 played as a game of skill and for which wagering by nonparticipants is
11 authorized pursuant to section 6 of this act, any other provision of the
12 general statutes or a public or special act;

13 (4) "Gross gaming revenue from online casino gaming" means the

14 total of all sums actually received by an operator of online casino
15 gaming less the total of all sums paid as winnings to patrons of the
16 operator of online casino gaming and any federal excise tax applicable
17 to such sums received, provided (A) the total of all sums paid as
18 winnings to such patrons shall not include the cash equivalent value of
19 any merchandise or thing of value included in a jackpot or payout, and
20 (B) the issuance to or wagering by such patrons of any promotional
21 gaming credit shall not be included in the total of all sums actually
22 received by an operator of online casino gaming for the purposes of
23 determining gross gaming revenue;

24 (5) "Gross gaming revenue from sports wagering" means the total of
25 all sums actually received by an operator of sports wagering less the
26 total of all sums paid as winnings to patrons of the operator of sports
27 wagering and any federal excise tax applicable to such sums received,
28 provided (A) the total of all sums paid as winnings to such patrons shall
29 not include the cash equivalent value of any merchandise or thing of
30 value included in a jackpot or payout, and (B) the issuance to or
31 wagering by such patrons of any promotional gaming credit shall not
32 be included in the total of all sums actually received by an operator of
33 sports wagering for the purposes of determining gross gaming revenue;

34 (6) "Indian lands" has the same meaning as provided in the Indian
35 Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 USC 2703(4);

36 (7) "Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding" means
37 the memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the
38 state and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe on January 13, 1993, as
39 amended from time to time;

40 (8) "Mashantucket Pequot procedures" means the Final
41 Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the Secretary
42 of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to 25 USC
43 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) and published in 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31,
44 1991), as amended from time to time;

45 (9) "MMCT Venture, LLC" means a limited liability company (A)
46 jointly and exclusively owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and
47 the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut; (B) in which no other
48 person or business organization holds an equity interest; and (C) in
49 which each tribe holds at least a twenty-five per cent equity interest;

50 (10) "Mohegan compact" means the Tribal-State Compact entered
51 into by and between the state and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of
52 Connecticut on May 17, 1994, as amended from time to time;

53 (11) "Mohegan memorandum of understanding" means the
54 memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state
55 and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on May 17, 1994, as
56 amended from time to time;

57 (12) "Online casino gaming" means any game of chance, other than
58 sports wagering, including, but not limited to, blackjack, poker, dice,
59 money-wheels, roulette, baccarat, chuck-a-luck, pan game, over and
60 under, horse race game, acey-deucey, beat the dealer, bouncing ball and
61 slot machine, conducted over the Internet, including through an Internet
62 web site or a mobile device, through an electronic wagering platform;

63 (13) "Online sports wagering" means sports wagering conducted over
64 the Internet, including through an Internet web site or a mobile device,
65 through an electronic wagering platform;

66 (14) "Retail sports wagering" means sports wagering conducted in
67 person at a facility in this state;

68 (15) "Skin" means the branded or cobranded name and logo on the
69 interface of an Internet web site or a mobile application that bettors use
70 to access an electronic wagering platform for online sports wagering or
71 online casino gaming;

72 (16) "Sporting event" or "sports event" means any (A) sporting or
73 athletic event at which two or more persons participate and receive
74 compensation in excess of actual expenses for such participation in such

75 sporting or athletic event, (B) sporting or athletic event sponsored by an
76 intercollegiate athletic program of an institution of higher education, or
77 (C) e-sports. "Sporting event" does not include horse racing or any
78 sporting or athletic event sponsored by a minor league; and

79 (17) "Sports wagering" means risking or accepting any money, credit,
80 deposit or other thing of value for gain contingent in whole or in part,
81 (A) by any system or method of wagering, including, but not limited to,
82 in person or over the Internet through an Internet web site or a mobile
83 device, through an electronic wagering platform, and (B) based on (i) a
84 sporting event or a portion or portions of a sporting event, including
85 future or propositional events during such an event, or (ii) the
86 individual performance statistics of an athlete or athletes in a sporting
87 event or a combination of sporting events. "Sports wagering" does not
88 include the payment of an entry fee to play fantasy contests, as defined
89 in section 12-578aa of the general statutes, or an entry fee to participate
90 in e-sports.

91 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) Not later than October 1, 2021,
92 the Governor shall enter into amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot
93 procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of
94 understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments
95 to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of
96 understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or
97 new compacts with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or the Mohegan
98 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or both, that conform to the provisions
99 of sections 1 to 12, inclusive, of this act concerning:

100 (1) The operation of retail sports wagering on Indian lands pursuant
101 to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701
102 et seq., provided (A) such amendment or new compact shall require that
103 any individual making a sports wager is at least twenty-one years of age
104 or older, and (B) the authorization to operate sports wagering shall not
105 become effective until each new compact with the Mashantucket Pequot
106 Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut or each amendment

107 to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures, the Mashantucket Pequot
108 memorandum of understanding, the Mohegan compact and the
109 Mohegan memorandum of understanding, for retail sports wagering on
110 Indian lands, has become effective;

111 (2) The operation of retail sports wagering at a casino gaming facility
112 authorized under section 12-578f of the general statutes, as amended by
113 this act;

114 (3) The operation of up to four online skins for online sports wagering
115 within the state by each federally recognized Native American tribe
116 operating Class III gaming on its Indian lands in the state pursuant to a
117 tribal-state gaming compact or procedures approved under the Indian
118 Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2710 et seq.,
119 provided the Internet web site and mobile application used by each tribe
120 clearly identifies, at all times, the skin on the display screen;

121 (4) The operation of up to four online skins for online casino gaming
122 within the state by each federally recognized Native American tribe
123 operating Class III gaming on its Indian lands in the state pursuant to a
124 tribal-state gaming compact or procedures approved under the Indian
125 Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2710 et seq.,
126 provided the Internet web site or mobile application used by each tribe
127 clearly identifies, at all times, the skin on the display screen;

128 (5) The operation of a program by the Connecticut Lottery
129 Corporation to sell lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the
130 corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application,
131 provided the total number of drawings across all such games in a given
132 day does not exceed twenty-four drawings; and

133 (6) The operation by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation of one skin
134 for online sports wagering and retail sports wagering at no more than
135 four high-tier claim centers, as designated by the corporation.

136 (b) (1) Any amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and

137 the Mohegan compact pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall
138 include a provision that such amendments do not terminate the
139 moratorium against the operation of video facsimile games by the
140 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of
141 Connecticut on each tribe's reservation.

142 (2) Any amendments to each tribe's memorandum of understanding
143 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall include a provision that
144 such amendments do not relieve each tribe from each tribe's obligation
145 to contribute a percentage of the gross operating revenues of video
146 facsimile games to the state as provided in each tribe's memorandum of
147 understanding.

148 (c) (1) Unless federal law or a gaming agreement or procedure
149 entered into pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-
150 497, 25 USC 2701 et seq. requires otherwise, the Governor shall enter
151 into the amendments or compacts pursuant to subsection (a) of this
152 section, and each such amendment or compact shall be considered
153 approved by the General Assembly under section 3-6c of the general
154 statutes without further action required upon the Governor entering
155 into such an agreement or compact, provided, in each amendment or
156 compact, each tribe agrees to the requirements of subsection (a) of this
157 section.

158 (2) If federal law requires approval by the Secretary of the United
159 States Department of Interior for any amendment or compact entered
160 into pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, and such approval is
161 overturned by a court in a final judgment, which is not appealable, the
162 authorization provided for in such amendment or compact shall cease
163 to be effective.

164 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) Each federally recognized Native
165 American tribe that operates Class III gaming on its Indian lands in the
166 state pursuant to a tribal-state gaming compact or procedures approved
167 under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC
168 2710 et seq., may operate up to four online skins for online sports

169 wagering within the state, provided (1) each new compact or
170 amendment to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures, the Mashantucket
171 Pequot memorandum of understanding, the Mohegan compact and the
172 Mohegan memorandum of understanding required under subdivision
173 (3) of subsection (a) of section 2 of this act is effective; and (2) any
174 Internet web site and mobile application used by each tribe clearly
175 identifies, at all times, the skin on the display screen.

176 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) Each federally recognized Native
177 American tribe that operates Class III gaming on its Indian lands in the
178 state pursuant to a tribal-state gaming compact or procedures approved
179 under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC
180 2710 et seq., may operate up to four online skins for online casino
181 gaming within the state, provided (1) each new compact or amendment
182 to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures, the Mashantucket Pequot
183 memorandum of understanding, the Mohegan compact and the
184 Mohegan memorandum of understanding required under subdivision
185 (4) of subsection (a) of section 2 of this act is effective; and (2) any
186 Internet web site and mobile application used by each tribe clearly
187 identifies, at all times, the skin on the display screen.

188 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) The Connecticut Lottery
189 Corporation may operate retail sports wagering at no more than four
190 high-tier claim centers, as designated by the corporation, and one skin
191 for online sports wagering, provided:

192 (1) Amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to the
193 Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding with the
194 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan compact
195 and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the Mohegan
196 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, or new compacts with the
197 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut,
198 or both, pursuant to subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 2 of this
199 act, are effective; and

200 (2) The corporation operates retail sports wagering and online sports

201 wagering pursuant to sections 6 and 7 of this act.

202 Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) An individual may only place
203 a sports wager on a sporting event in-person or through an electronic
204 wagering platform or place a wager through an online casino gaming
205 electronic wagering platform if the wagering is authorized pursuant to
206 sections 2 to 5, inclusive, of this act, as applicable, and the individual (1)
207 has attained the age of twenty-one, and (2) is physically present in the
208 state when placing the wager.

209 (b) Any electronic wagering platform used for conducting online
210 sports wagering or online casino gaming shall be developed to: (1)
211 Verify that an individual with a wagering account is twenty-one years
212 of age or older and is physically present in the state when placing a
213 wager, (2) provide a mechanism to prevent the unauthorized use of
214 wagering accounts and maintain the security of wagering data and
215 other confidential information, and (3) allow individuals to register for
216 a wagering account at a casino facility operated on Indian lands
217 pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, P.L. 100-497, 25
218 USC 2701 et seq., at a casino gaming facility or online through an
219 electronic wagering platform, in accordance with standards of operation
220 and management, policies and procedures, or regulations adopted
221 pursuant to section 7 of this act.

222 Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) Not later than three months
223 after the date any authorization of sports wagering or online casino
224 gaming becomes effective under sections 2 to 5, inclusive, of this act, the
225 Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt regulations, in
226 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes and
227 to the extent not prohibited by federal law or any gaming agreement or
228 procedure entered into pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act,
229 P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq., to implement the provisions of sections
230 2 to 5, inclusive, of this act. Such regulations shall address the operation
231 of, participation in and advertisement of, sports wagering and online
232 casino gaming, and shall include provisions to protect the public interest

233 in the integrity of gaming.

234 (b) The commissioner may implement policies and procedures while
235 in the process of adopting such regulations, provided notice of intention
236 to adopt regulations is posted on the eRegulations System not later than
237 twenty days after implementation. Any such policy or procedure shall
238 be valid until the time final regulations are effective.

239 (c) Prior to implementation of policies and procedures under
240 subsection (b) of this section, sports wagering or online casino gaming
241 authorized under sections 2 to 4, inclusive, of this act may be conducted
242 in accordance with standards of operation and management adopted by
243 a tribal gaming agency of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or Mohegan
244 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut or the Connecticut Lottery Corporation
245 and submitted to and approved by the Commissioner of Consumer
246 Protection. The commissioner shall approve each standard unless the
247 commissioner finds that the standard would have a material adverse
248 impact on the public interest in the integrity of the sports wagering or
249 online gaming operation and shall disapprove only such portions of any
250 such standard that is determined to have a material adverse impact on
251 such public interest, setting forth with specificity the reasons for such
252 disapproval. Approval of such standards shall be deemed granted
253 unless disapproved within thirty days of submission to the
254 commissioner.

255 Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) Not later than thirty days after
256 the date an operator of sports wagering or online casino gaming
257 commences operation under sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, and on
258 a monthly basis thereafter while such sports wagering or online casino
259 gaming is conducted, if such gaming activity takes place outside of
260 Indian lands of a federally recognized Native American tribe, each such
261 operator, except for the Connecticut Lottery Corporation, shall pay to
262 the state for deposit in the General Fund: (1) Ten per cent of the gross
263 gaming revenue from retail sports wagering and fifteen per cent of the
264 gross gaming revenue from online sports wagering authorized under

265 sections 2, 3, 6 and 7 of this act, provided ten per cent of such payments,
266 or twenty million dollars, whichever is less, shall be transferred from
267 the General Fund each fiscal year to the state-wide tourism marketing
268 account, established pursuant to section 10-395a of the general statutes;
269 and (2) fifteen per cent of the gross gaming revenue from online casino
270 gaming authorized under sections 2 and 4 of this act.

271 Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) At the commencement of any
272 fiscal year that sports wagering or online casino gaming is conducted
273 pursuant to sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act outside of Indian lands
274 and on or before September thirtieth in each fiscal year thereafter, the
275 Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall: (1) Estimate, after
276 consultation with each operator of online casino gaming, online sports
277 wagering or a casino gaming facility conducting retail sports wagering
278 pursuant to section 12-578f of the general statutes, as amended by this
279 act, the reasonable and necessary costs that will be incurred by the
280 department in the next fiscal year to regulate the operation of such
281 wagering or gaming under sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act; and (2)
282 assess each such operator's share of such estimated costs pro rata
283 according to such operator's annualized share of the gross gaming
284 revenue from such wagering or gaming in the prior fiscal year, if any.
285 The estimated costs shall not exceed the estimate of expenditure
286 requirements transmitted by the commissioner pursuant to section 4-77
287 of the general statutes. The assessment for any fiscal year shall be: (A)
288 Reduced pro rata by the amount of any surplus from the assessment of
289 the prior fiscal year, which shall be maintained in accordance with
290 subsection (d) of this section, or (B) increased pro rata by the amount of
291 any deficit from the assessment of the prior fiscal year.

292 (b) Each operator of online casino gaming, online sports wagering or
293 a casino gaming facility conducting sports wagering pursuant to section
294 12-578f of the general statutes, as amended by this act, shall pay to the
295 commissioner the amount assessed to such operator pursuant to
296 subsection (a) of this section not later than the date specified by the
297 commissioner for payment, provided such date is not less than thirty

298 days from the date of such assessment. The commissioner shall remit to
299 the State Treasurer all funds received pursuant to this section.

300 (c) The State Treasurer shall deposit all funds received pursuant to
301 subsection (b) of this section in the State Gaming Regulatory Fund,
302 established pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-578e of the general
303 statutes, as amended by this act.

304 (d) On or before September thirtieth, annually, the Comptroller shall
305 calculate the actual reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the
306 department to regulate operators of online casino gaming, online sports
307 wagering and a casino gaming facility conducting sports wagering
308 pursuant to section 12-578f of the general statutes, as amended by this
309 act, during the prior fiscal year. The Treasurer shall set aside amounts
310 received in excess of such actual costs. Such excess amounts shall be
311 considered a surplus for the purposes of subsection (a) of this section.

312 (e) Any operator of online casino gaming, online sports wagering or
313 a casino gaming facility conducting sports wagering pursuant to section
314 12-578f of the general statutes, as amended by this act, who is aggrieved
315 by an assessment under the provisions of this section, may request a
316 hearing before the commissioner not later than thirty days after such
317 assessment. The commissioner shall hold such hearing in accordance
318 with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes not later than
319 thirty days after receiving such request.

320 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) Any equipment, including the
321 electronic wagering platform, that supports online casino gaming or
322 online sports wagering shall be located in a facility in the city of
323 Bridgeport, unless such equipment is located on Indian lands. Any
324 personnel necessary to support such equipment shall be assigned to
325 such facility.

326 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) Neither the Mashantucket
327 Pequot Tribe nor the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut may
328 allow a third-party vendor to operate a skin for online sports wagering

329 or online casino gaming on behalf of the tribe unless:

330 (1) The tribe seeking to allow such operation files a request,
331 documenting the terms of the agreement between the tribe and the
332 third-party vendor regarding such operation, with the clerks of the
333 House of Representatives and the Senate, and

334 (2) The General Assembly approves such request pursuant to
335 subsection (b) of this section.

336 (b) The General Assembly may approve a request under subsection
337 (a) of this section, in whole, by a majority vote of each house or may
338 reject such request, in whole, by a majority vote of either house. If
339 rejected, the request shall not be valid and shall not be implemented.
340 The request shall be deemed rejected if the General Assembly fails to
341 vote to approve or reject the request (1) prior to the adjournment of the
342 regular session of the General Assembly during which such request is
343 filed, (2) prior to the adjournment of the regular session of the General
344 Assembly first following the date on which such request is filed if the
345 General Assembly is not in regular session on such date, or (3) prior to
346 the adjournment of a special session convened before the next regular
347 session of the General Assembly for the purpose of considering such
348 request if the General Assembly is not in regular session on the date on
349 which such request is filed, provided, if the request is filed less than
350 thirty days before the end of a regular session, the General Assembly
351 may vote to approve or reject the request (A) within thirty days after the
352 first day of a special session convened before the next regular session of
353 the General Assembly for the purpose of considering such request, or
354 (B) within thirty days after the first day of the next regular session of the
355 General Assembly.

356 Sec. 12. (*Effective July 1, 2021*) MMCT Venture, LLC, may issue a
357 request for proposals to the city of Bridgeport regarding the
358 establishment of a casino gaming facility in the city. The request shall
359 include, but need not be limited to, a description of the needs of MMCT
360 Venture, LLC, for the purpose of establishing and carrying on the

361 business of a casino gaming facility. The city of Bridgeport may respond
362 to such request and may enter into a development agreement with
363 MMCT Venture, LLC, regarding the establishment of a casino gaming
364 facility in the city.

365 Sec. 13. Section 12-586f of the general statutes is repealed and the
366 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

367 (a) For the purposes of this section, "tribe" means the Mashantucket
368 Pequot Tribe and "compact" means the Tribal-State Compact between
369 the tribe and the state of Connecticut, as incorporated and amended in
370 the Final Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the
371 Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to
372 Section 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) of Title 25 of the United States Code and
373 published in 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31, 1991), as amended from
374 time to time.

375 (b) The expenses of administering the provisions of the compact shall
376 be financed as provided in this section. Assessments for regulatory costs
377 incurred by any state agency which are subject to reimbursement by the
378 tribe in accordance with the provisions of the compact shall be made by
379 the Commissioner of Revenue Services in accordance with the
380 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment
381 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may
382 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such.
383 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the
384 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to
385 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

386 (c) Assessments for law enforcement costs incurred by any state
387 agency which are subject to reimbursement by the tribe in accordance
388 with the provisions of the compact shall be made by the Commissioner
389 of Emergency Services and Public Protection in accordance with the
390 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment
391 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may
392 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such.

393 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the
394 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to
395 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

396 (d) If the tribe is aggrieved due to any assessment levied pursuant to
397 such compact and this section or by any failure to adjust an excess
398 assessment in accordance with the provisions of the compact and this
399 section, it may, not later than thirty days after the time provided for the
400 payment of such assessment, appeal therefrom in accordance with the
401 terms of the compact, to the superior court for the judicial district of
402 Hartford, which appeal shall be accompanied by a citation to the
403 Commissioner of Consumer Protection to appear before said court. Such
404 citation shall be signed by the same authority, and such appeal shall be
405 returnable at the same time and served and returned in the same
406 manner as is required in case of a summons in a civil action. Proceedings
407 in such matter shall be conducted in the same manner as provided for
408 in section 38a-52.

409 (e) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall require each
410 applicant for a casino gaming employee license, casino gaming service
411 license or casino gaming equipment license to submit to state and
412 national criminal history records checks before such license is issued.
413 The criminal history records checks required pursuant to this subsection
414 shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a.

415 Sec. 14. Section 12-586g of the general statutes is repealed and the
416 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

417 (a) For the purposes of this section, "tribe" means the Mohegan Tribe
418 of Indians of Connecticut and "compact" means the Tribal-State
419 Compact between the tribe and the state of Connecticut, dated May 17,
420 1994, as amended from time to time.

421 (b) The expenses of administering the provisions of the compact shall
422 be financed as provided in this section. Assessments for regulatory costs
423 incurred by any state agency which are subject to reimbursement by the

424 tribe in accordance with the provisions of the compact shall be made by
425 the Commissioner of Revenue Services in accordance with the
426 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment
427 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may
428 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such.
429 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the
430 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to
431 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

432 (c) Assessments for law enforcement costs incurred by any state
433 agency which are subject to reimbursement by the tribe in accordance
434 with the provisions of the compact shall be made by the Commissioner
435 of Emergency Services and Public Protection in accordance with the
436 provisions of the compact, including provisions respecting adjustment
437 of excess assessments. Any underassessment for a prior fiscal year may
438 be included in a subsequent assessment but shall be specified as such.
439 Payments made by the tribe in accordance with the provisions of the
440 compact shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to
441 the appropriation for the state agency incurring such costs.

442 (d) If the tribe is aggrieved due to any assessment levied pursuant to
443 such compact and this section or by any failure to adjust an excess
444 assessment in accordance with the provisions of the compact and this
445 section, it may, not later than thirty days after the time provided for the
446 payment of such assessment, appeal therefrom in accordance with the
447 terms of the compact, to the superior court for the judicial district of
448 New Britain, which appeal shall be accompanied by a citation to the
449 Commissioner of Consumer Protection to appear before said court. Such
450 citation shall be signed by the same authority, and such appeal shall be
451 returnable at the same time and served and returned in the same
452 manner as is required in case of a summons in a civil action. Proceedings
453 in such matter shall be conducted in the same manner as provided for
454 in section 38a-52.

455 (e) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall require each

456 applicant for a casino gaming employee license, casino gaming service
457 license or casino gaming equipment license to submit to state and
458 national criminal history records checks before such license is issued.
459 The criminal history records checks required pursuant to this subsection
460 shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a.

461 Sec. 15. Section 12-578f of the general statutes is repealed and the
462 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

463 (a) For the purposes of this section and section 12-578g, as amended
464 by this act:

465 (1) "Authorized games" means any game of chance, including, but not
466 limited to, blackjack, poker, dice, money-wheels, roulette, baccarat,
467 chuck-a-luck, pan game, over and under, horse race game, acey-deucey,
468 beat the dealer, bouncing ball, video facsimile game and any other game
469 of chance authorized by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection.
470 "Authorized games" does not include sports wagering, as defined in
471 section 1 of this act;

472 (2) "Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding" means
473 the memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the
474 state and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe on January 13, 1993, as
475 amended on April 30, 1993;

476 (3) "Mashantucket Pequot procedures" means the Final
477 Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Procedures prescribed by the Secretary
478 of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to Section
479 2710(d)(7)(B)(vii) of Title 25 of the United States Code and published in
480 56 Federal Register 24996 (May 31, 1991);

481 (4) "MMCT Venture, LLC" means a limited liability company
482 described in subsection (d) of this section;

483 (5) "Mohegan compact" means the Tribal-State Compact entered into
484 by and between the state and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of
485 Connecticut on May 17, 1994; and

486 (6) "Mohegan memorandum of understanding" means the
487 memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state
488 and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut on May 17, 1994.

489 (b) MMCT Venture, LLC, is authorized to conduct authorized games
490 (1) at a casino gaming facility at 171 Bridge Street, East Windsor,
491 Connecticut, and (2) at a casino gaming facility in the city of Bridgeport,
492 established under a development agreement pursuant to section 12 of
493 this act.

494 (c) Such authorization shall not be effective unless the following
495 conditions have been met:

496 (1) (A) The Governor enters into amendments to the Mashantucket
497 Pequot procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of
498 understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments
499 to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of
500 understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut
501 concerning the operation of a casino gaming facility in the state.

502 (B) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and the
503 Mohegan compact shall include a provision that the authorization of
504 MMCT Venture, LLC, to conduct authorized games in the state does not
505 terminate the moratorium against the operation of video facsimile
506 games by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians
507 of Connecticut on each tribe's reservation.

508 (C) The amendments to each tribe's memorandum of understanding
509 shall include a provision that the authorization of MMCT Venture, LLC,
510 to conduct authorized games in the state does not relieve each tribe from
511 each tribe's obligation to contribute a percentage of the gross operating
512 revenues of video facsimile games to the state as provided in each tribe's
513 memorandum of understanding.

514 (2) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures, the
515 Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding, the Mohegan

516 compact and the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are
517 approved or deemed approved by the Secretary of the United States
518 Department of the Interior pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming
519 Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq., and its implementing
520 regulations. If such approval is overturned by a court in a final
521 judgment, which is not appealable, the authorization provided under
522 this section shall cease to be effective.

523 (3) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures and to
524 the Mohegan compact are approved by the General Assembly pursuant
525 to section 3-6c.

526 (4) The amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of
527 understanding and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding are
528 approved by the General Assembly pursuant to the process described
529 in section 3-6c.

530 (5) The governing bodies of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and
531 Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut enact resolutions providing:
532 (A) That if MMCT Venture, LLC, fails to pay any fees or taxes due the
533 state, the tribes, as the members of MMCT Venture, LLC, waive the
534 possible defense of sovereign immunity with respect to any action or
535 claim by the state against the tribes as the members of MMCT Venture,
536 LLC, to the extent such action or claim is permitted to be brought against
537 a member of a limited liability company under state law to collect any
538 fees or taxes, while preserving any other defenses available to the tribes,
539 and (B) that the venue for such action or claim shall be in the judicial
540 district of Hartford.

541 (d) Such authorization shall apply to MMCT Venture, LLC, provided:
542 (1) MMCT Venture, LLC, is a limited liability company jointly and
543 exclusively owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan
544 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut; (2) no other person or business
545 organization holds an equity interest in MMCT Venture, LLC; and (3)
546 each tribe holds at least a twenty-five per cent equity interest in MMCT
547 Venture, LLC. If MMCT Venture, LLC, ceases to be a limited liability

548 company jointly and exclusively owned by the Mashantucket Pequot
549 Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut in which each
550 tribe holds at least a twenty-five per cent equity interest, such
551 authorization shall be void.

552 (e) MMCT Venture, LLC, is authorized to operate retail sports
553 wagering, as defined in section 1 of this act, at a casino gaming facility
554 at 171 Bridge Street, East Windsor, Connecticut, and at a casino gaming
555 facility in the city of Bridgeport, established under a development
556 agreement pursuant to section 12 of this act, provided new compacts
557 with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and Mohegan Tribe of Indians of
558 Connecticut or amendments to each of the Mashantucket Pequot
559 procedures and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of
560 understanding with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments
561 to the Mohegan compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of
562 understanding with the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut
563 concerning such operation are effective pursuant to section 2 of this act.
564 If MMCT Venture, LLC, ceases to be a limited liability company jointly
565 and exclusively owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the
566 Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut in which each tribe holds at
567 least a twenty-five per cent equity interest, such authorization shall be
568 void.

569 Sec. 16. Section 12-806c of the general statutes is repealed and the
570 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

571 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3-6c, the Secretary of
572 the Office of Policy and Management, on behalf of the state of
573 Connecticut, may enter into separate agreements with the
574 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of
575 Connecticut concerning the operation of keno by the Connecticut
576 Lottery Corporation in the state of Connecticut. Any such agreement
577 shall provide that the state of Connecticut shall distribute to each tribe
578 a sum not to exceed a twelve and one-half per cent share of the gross
579 operating revenue received by the state from the operation of keno. The

580 corporation may not operate keno until such separate agreements are
581 effective. For the purposes of this section, "gross operating revenues"
582 means the total amounts wagered, less amounts paid out as prizes.

583 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3-6c, the secretary, on
584 behalf of the state, may enter into amendments to the agreements
585 described in subsection (a) of this section concerning the operation of
586 keno over the Internet by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation in the
587 state of Connecticut.

588 (c) Any electronic platform or combination of hardware, software
589 and data networks used to manage, administer, offer or control keno
590 over the Internet, including through an Internet web site or a mobile
591 device, shall, at a minimum, be developed to: (1) Verify that an
592 individual with a keno account is eighteen years of age or older and is
593 located in the state, (2) provide a mechanism to prevent the
594 unauthorized use of a keno account, and (3) maintain the security of
595 data and other confidential information.

596 Sec. 17. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2021) (a) As used in this section,
597 "lottery draw game" means any draw game that is (1) available for
598 purchase through a lottery sales agent, and (2) played with a live
599 drawing that occurs no more frequently than hourly.

600 (b) The Connecticut Lottery Corporation shall establish a program to
601 sell lottery tickets for lottery draw games through the corporation's
602 Internet web site, online service or mobile application, provided: (1)
603 Such program is conducted in accordance with compacts with the
604 Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of
605 Connecticut or amendments to the Mashantucket Pequot procedures
606 and to the Mashantucket Pequot memorandum of understanding with
607 the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and amendments to the Mohegan
608 compact and to the Mohegan memorandum of understanding with the
609 Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut that are effective pursuant to
610 section 2 of this act; and (2) the total number of drawings across all
611 lottery draw games for which lottery tickets are sold through the

612 corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application does
613 not exceed twenty-four drawings in a given day.

614 (c) Such program shall, at a minimum: (1) Verify that a person who
615 establishes an online lottery account to purchase a lottery ticket through
616 such program is eighteen years of age or older and is located in the state;
617 (2) restrict the sale of lottery tickets to transactions initiated and received
618 within the state; (3) allow a person to deposit money into an online
619 lottery account through the use of a verified bank account, prepaid
620 lottery gift card, debit card or credit card; (4) limit a person with an
621 online lottery account to using only one debit card or credit card; (5)
622 provide that any money in an online lottery account belongs solely to
623 the owner of the account and may be withdrawn by the owner at any
624 time; (6) provide a mechanism to prevent the unauthorized use of online
625 lottery accounts; (7) establish a voluntary self-exclusion process to allow
626 a person to exclude himself or herself from establishing an online lottery
627 account or purchasing a lottery ticket through such program; (8)
628 provide a mechanism to prevent a person who participates in the self-
629 exclusion process from establishing an online lottery account; (9) within
630 one year from the date such program is established, be the subject of an
631 application for certification from a national or international responsible
632 gambling compliance assessment program; (10) post a conspicuous link
633 to responsible gambling information on all online lottery account
634 Internet web pages; and (11) after consultation with advocacy groups
635 for individuals with gambling problems, (A) limit the amount of money
636 a person may deposit into an online lottery account, (B) limit the amount
637 of money a person may spend per day through such program, and (C)
638 provide for online messages regarding the importance of responsible
639 gambling when a person is using his or her online lottery account for an
640 amount of time specified by the corporation.

641 (d) Prior to implementing any procedure, as defined in subdivision
642 (2) of section 1-120 of the general statutes, to assure the integrity of such
643 program, the corporation shall obtain the written approval of the
644 Commissioner of Consumer Protection in accordance with regulations

645 adopted under section 12-568a of the general statutes.

646 (e) The corporation shall: (1) Implement initiatives to promote the
647 purchase of lottery tickets through lottery sales agents; (2) permit lottery
648 sales agents to sell prepaid lottery gift cards; and (3) conduct an online
649 public awareness campaign designed to educate the public regarding
650 compulsive gambling and to inform the public of the programs
651 available for the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of compulsive
652 gamblers in the state.

653 (f) The corporation shall establish a fund into which all revenue of the
654 program established pursuant to this section shall be deposited, from
655 which all payments and expenses of the corporation for such program
656 shall be paid and from which transfers to the debt-free community
657 college account, established in section 18 of this act, shall be made
658 pursuant to subsection (d) of section 12-812 of the general statutes, as
659 amended by this act.

660 Sec. 18. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) There is established an
661 account to be known as the "debt-free community college account"
662 which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund.
663 The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited
664 in the account, including, but not limited to, deposits from the
665 Connecticut Lottery Corporation in accordance with subsection (d) of
666 section 12-812 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. Moneys in
667 the account shall be expended by the Board of Regents for Higher
668 Education for the purposes of the debt-free community college program
669 established pursuant to section 10a-174 of the general statutes.

670 (b) Not later than thirty days after the initial offering of lottery tickets
671 for lottery draw games through the Connecticut Lottery Corporation's
672 Internet web site, online service or mobile application pursuant to
673 section 17 of this act, and on January first annually thereafter, the
674 president of said corporation shall estimate and report to the Board of
675 Regents for Higher Education the anticipated amount of the deposit
676 required pursuant to subsection (d) of section 12-812 of the general

677 statutes, as amended by this act, or the anticipated net revenue from
678 such online offering during the current and next fiscal year.

679 Sec. 19. Section 12-801 of the general statutes is repealed and the
680 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

681 As used in section 12-563a, as amended by this act, and sections 12-
682 800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 17 of this act, the following terms
683 [shall] have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates
684 another meaning:

685 (1) "Board" or "board of directors" means the board of directors of the
686 corporation;

687 (2) "Corporation" means the Connecticut Lottery Corporation as
688 created under section 12-802;

689 (3) "Division" means the former Division of Special Revenue in the
690 Department of Revenue Services;

691 (4) "Lottery" means (A) the Connecticut state lottery conducted prior
692 to the transfer authorized under section 12-808 by the Division of Special
693 Revenue, (B) after such transfer, the Connecticut state lottery conducted
694 by the corporation pursuant to sections 12-563a, as amended by this act,
695 and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 17 of this act, (C) the state
696 lottery referred to in subsection (a) of section 53-278g, as amended by
697 this act, and (D) keno conducted by the corporation pursuant to section
698 12-806c, as amended by this act;

699 (5) "Keno" means a lottery game in which a subset of numbers are
700 drawn from a larger field of numbers by a central computer system
701 using an approved random number generator, wheel system device or
702 other drawing device. "Keno" does not include a game operated on a
703 video facsimile machine;

704 (6) "Lottery fund" means a fund or funds established by, and under
705 the management and control of, the corporation, into which all lottery

706 revenues of the corporation, and all revenues of sports wagering, if the
707 corporation is authorized to conduct sports wagering pursuant to
708 section 2 of this act, are deposited, from which all payments and
709 expenses of the corporation are paid, except as provided in section 17 of
710 this act for the revenues and payments from the program established
711 pursuant to section 17 of this act, and from which transfers to the
712 General Fund or the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds
713 Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 10-183vv, are made
714 pursuant to section 12-812, as amended by this act; [and]

715 (7) "Online sports wagering" has the same meaning as provided in
716 section 1 of this act;

717 ~~[(7)]~~ (8) "Operating revenue" means total revenue received from
718 lottery sales less all cancelled sales and amounts paid as prizes but
719 before payment or provision for payment of any other expenses;

720 (9) "Retail sports wagering" has the same meaning as provided in
721 section 1 of this act; and

722 (10) "Skin" has the same meaning as provided in section 1 of this act.

723 Sec. 20. Section 12-806 of the general statutes is repealed and the
724 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

725 (a) The purposes of the corporation shall be to: (1) Operate and
726 manage the lottery, and operate and manage retail sports wagering and
727 online sports wagering if authorized to do so pursuant to sections 2 and
728 5 of this act, in an entrepreneurial and business-like manner free from
729 the budgetary and other constraints that affect state agencies; (2)
730 provide continuing and increased revenue to the people of the state
731 through the lottery, and retail sports wagering and online sports
732 wagering if authorized to operate such wagering pursuant to sections 2
733 and 5 of this act, by being responsive to market forces and acting
734 generally as a corporation engaged in entrepreneurial pursuits; (3) pay
735 to the trustee of the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds

736 Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 10-183vv, the
737 amounts, if any, required pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-812, as
738 amended by this act; and (4) ensure that the lottery [continues] and retail
739 sports wagering and online sports wagering, if authorized to operate
740 such wagering pursuant to sections 2 and 5 of this act, continue to be
741 operated with integrity and for the public good.

742 (b) The corporation shall have the following powers:

743 (1) To receive as transferee from the state of Connecticut all of the
744 tangible and intangible assets constituting the lottery including the
745 exclusive right to operate the lottery as the exclusive lottery of the state
746 and, subject to subsection (b) of section 12-808, to assume and discharge
747 all of the agreements, covenants and obligations of the Department of
748 Consumer Protection entered into which constitute a part of the
749 operation and management of the lottery;

750 (2) To operate and manage the lottery consistent with the provisions
751 of sections 1-120, 1-121, 1-125, 12-563, 12-563a, as amended by this act,
752 12-564, 12-566, 12-568a and 12-569, subsection (c) of section 12-574 and
753 sections 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and sections 2, 5 and 17 of this act,
754 and as specifically provided in section 12-812, as amended by this act;

755 (3) To have perpetual succession as a body corporate and to adopt
756 bylaws, policies and procedures for the operation of its affairs and
757 conduct of its businesses;

758 (4) (A) To introduce new lottery games, modify existing lottery
759 games, utilize existing and new technologies, determine distribution
760 channels for the sale of lottery tickets, introduce keno pursuant to signed
761 agreements with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan
762 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, in accordance with section 12-806c, as
763 amended by this act, and, to the extent specifically authorized by
764 regulations adopted by the Department of Consumer Protection
765 pursuant to chapter 54, introduce instant ticket vending machines,
766 kiosks and automated wagering systems or machines, with all such

767 rights being subject to regulatory oversight by the Department of
768 Consumer Protection; and

769 (B) To offer lottery draw games, including for promotional purposes,
770 through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile
771 application in accordance with section 17 of this act, except that the
772 corporation shall not offer any other interactive [on-line] lottery games,
773 including [on-line video lottery games] for promotional purposes, on
774 the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application;

775 (5) To establish an annual budget of revenues and expenditures,
776 along with reasonable reserves for working capital, capital
777 expenditures, debt retirement and other anticipated expenditures, in a
778 manner and at levels considered by the board of directors as appropriate
779 and prudent;

780 (6) To adopt such administrative and operating procedures which the
781 board of directors deems appropriate;

782 (7) To enter into agreements with one or more states or territories of
783 the United States for the promotion and operation of joint lottery games
784 and to continue to participate in any joint lottery game in which the
785 corporation participates on July 1, 2003, regardless of whether any
786 government-authorized lottery operated outside of the United States
787 participates in such game;

788 (8) Subject to the provisions of section 12-815, to enter into
789 agreements with vendors with respect to the operation and
790 management of the lottery, including operation of lottery terminals,
791 management services, printing of lottery tickets, management expertise,
792 marketing expertise, advertising or such other goods or services as the
793 board of directors deems necessary and appropriate;

794 (9) To purchase or lease operating equipment, including, but not
795 limited to, computer gaming and automated wagering systems and to
796 employ agents or employees to operate such systems;

797 (10) To retain unclaimed prize funds as additional revenue for the
798 state, or to use unclaimed prize funds to increase sales, or to return to
799 participants unclaimed prize funds in a manner designed to increase
800 sales;

801 (11) To establish prize reserve accounts as the board of directors
802 deems appropriate;

803 (12) To pay lottery prizes as awarded under section 12-812, as
804 amended by this act, to purchase annuities to fund such prizes, and to
805 assure that all annuities from which payments to winners of lottery
806 prizes are made are invested in instruments issued by agencies of the
807 United States government and backed by the full faith and credit of the
808 United States, or are issued by insurance companies licensed to do
809 business in the state, provided the issuer has been determined by the
810 Department of Consumer Protection to be financially stable and meets
811 the minimum investment rating as determined by the department;

812 (13) To pay the Office of Policy and Management to reimburse the
813 Department of Consumer Protection for the reasonable and necessary
814 costs arising from the department's regulatory oversight of the
815 operation of the lottery by the corporation, in accordance with the
816 assessment made pursuant to section 12-806b, including costs arising
817 directly or indirectly from the licensing of lottery agents, performance
818 of state police background investigations, and the implementation of
819 subsection (b) of section 12-562 and sections 12-563a, as amended by this
820 act, 12-568a, 12-569, 12-570, 12-570a and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and
821 section 17 of this act;

822 (14) In the event that the operation or management of the corporation
823 becomes subject to the federal gaming occupation tax, to pay such tax
824 on behalf of lottery sales agents and to assist agents subject thereto;

825 (15) To determine the commissions payable to lottery sales agents,
826 provided any agent's commission shall not average less than four per
827 cent of such agent's lottery sales;

828 (16) To invest in, acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and
829 dispose of real property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into
830 agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or
831 incidental to carrying out the purposes of sections 12-563a, as amended
832 by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, provided such transactions
833 shall not be subject to approval, review or regulation pursuant to title
834 4b or any other statute by any state agency, except that real property
835 transactions shall be subject to review by the State Properties Review
836 Board;

837 (17) To borrow money for the purpose of obtaining working capital;

838 (18) To hold patents, copyrights, trademarks, marketing rights,
839 licenses or any other evidence of protection or exclusivity issued under
840 the laws of the United States or any state;

841 (19) To employ such assistants, agents and other employees as may
842 be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes in accordance with
843 sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive,
844 and sections 2, 5 and 17 of this act to fix their compensation and, subject
845 to the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of section 12-802, establish all
846 necessary and appropriate personnel practices and policies; to engage
847 consultants, accountants, attorneys and financial and other independent
848 professionals as may be necessary or desirable to assist the corporation
849 in performing its purposes in accordance with sections 12-563a, as
850 amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and sections 2, 5
851 and 17 of this act;

852 (20) To make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary
853 or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its
854 powers under sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to
855 12-818, inclusive, and sections 2, 5 and 17 of this act;

856 (21) In its own name, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded,
857 adopt a seal and alter the same at pleasure;

858 (22) Subject to the approval of the board and to the requirement to
859 remit excess lottery funds to the General Fund as set forth in section 12-
860 812, as amended by this act, to invest any funds not needed for
861 immediate use or disbursement, including any funds held in approved
862 reserve accounts, in investments permitted by sections 3-20 and 3-27a
863 for the proceeds of state bonds;

864 (23) To procure insurance against any loss in connection with its
865 property and other assets in such amounts and from such insurers as it
866 deems desirable;

867 (24) To the extent permitted under any contract with other persons to
868 which the corporation is a party, to consent to any termination,
869 modification, forgiveness or other change of any term of any contractual
870 right, payment, royalty, contract or agreement of any kind;

871 (25) To acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of
872 personal property, and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements
873 with respect to such property on any terms necessary or incidental to
874 the carrying out of these purposes;

875 (26) To account for and audit funds of the corporation;

876 (27) To pay or provide for payment from operating revenues all
877 expenses, costs and obligations incurred by the corporation in the
878 exercise of the powers of the corporation under sections 12-563a, as
879 amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and sections 2, 5
880 and 17 of this act; [and]

881 (28) To operate sports wagering pursuant to sections 5 to 7, inclusive,
882 of this act, if authorized to do so pursuant to section 2 of this act; and

883 ~~[(28)]~~ (29) To exercise any powers necessary to carry out the purposes
884 of sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, and 12-800 to 12-818,
885 inclusive, and sections 2, 5 to 7, inclusive, and 17 of this act.

886 Sec. 21. Section 12-806a of the general statutes is repealed and the

887 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

888 As used in this section, "procedure" has the same meaning as
889 "procedure", as defined in subdivision (2) of section 1-120. The
890 Department of Consumer Protection shall, for the purposes of section
891 12-568a, subsection (c) of section 12-574, sections 12-802a and 12-815a,
892 sections 5 to 7, inclusive, and 17 of this act, and this section, regulate the
893 activities of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to assure the integrity
894 of the state lottery. In addition to the requirements of the provisions of
895 chapter 12 and notwithstanding the provisions of section 12-806, as
896 amended by this act, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation shall, prior to
897 implementing any procedure designed to assure the integrity of the
898 state lottery and retail sports wagering, obtain the written approval of
899 the Commissioner of Consumer Protection in accordance with
900 regulations adopted under section 12-568a.

901 Sec. 22. Section 12-810 of the general statutes is repealed and the
902 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

903 (a) The Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200, shall
904 apply to all actions, meetings and records of the corporation, except (1)
905 where otherwise limited by subsection (c) of this section as to new
906 lottery games and serial numbers of unclaimed lottery tickets, [and] (2)
907 with respect to financial, credit and proprietary information submitted
908 by any person to the corporation in connection with any proposal to
909 provide goods, services or professional advice to the corporation as
910 provided in section 12-815, and (3) where otherwise limited by
911 subsection (d) of this section as to information submitted by any person
912 to the corporation regarding such person's participation in the
913 corporation's voluntary self-exclusion process established pursuant to
914 subdivision (7) of subsection (c) of section 17 of this act.

915 (b) The records of proceedings as provided in subsection (a) of section
916 12-805 shall be subject to disclosure pursuant to the provisions of
917 subsection (a) of section 1-210.

918 (c) Any new lottery game and the procedures for such game, until the
919 game is publicly announced by the corporation, and any serial number
920 of an unclaimed lottery ticket shall not be deemed public records, as
921 defined in section 1-200, and shall not be available to the public under
922 the provisions of section 1-210. The president shall submit a fiscal note
923 prepared by the corporation with respect to the procedures for a new
924 lottery game to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
925 having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue, bonding and
926 public safety after approval of such game by the board.

927 (d) The name and any personally identifying information of a person
928 who is participating or who has participated in the corporation's
929 voluntary self-exclusion process shall not be deemed public records, as
930 defined in section 1-200, and shall not be available to the public under
931 the provisions of chapter 14, except that the president may disclose the
932 name and any relevant records of such person, other than records of the
933 participation of such person in the voluntary self-exclusion process, if
934 such person claims a winning lottery ticket from the use of the online
935 lottery program established pursuant to section 17 of this act.

936 Sec. 23. Section 12-811 of the general statutes is repealed and the
937 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

938 (a) The president and all directors, officers and employees of the
939 corporation shall be state employees for purposes of sections 1-79 to 1-
940 89, inclusive.

941 (b) No director, officer or employee of the corporation shall, directly
942 or indirectly, participate in, or share in the winnings from, (1) a game
943 conducted pursuant to sections 12-563a, as amended by this act, [and]
944 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, and section 17 of this act, or (2) sports
945 wagering, if the corporation is authorized to conduct sports wagering
946 pursuant to sections 2 and 5 of this act.

947 Sec. 24. Section 12-812 of the general statutes is repealed and the
948 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

949 (a) The president of the corporation, subject to the direction of the
950 board, shall conduct daily, weekly, multistate, special instant or other
951 lottery games and shall determine the number of times a lottery shall be
952 held each year, the form and price of the tickets and the aggregate
953 amount of prizes, which shall not be less than forty-five per cent of the
954 sales unless required by the terms of any agreement entered into for the
955 conduct of multistate lottery games. The proceeds of the sale of tickets
956 shall be deposited in the lottery fund of the corporation from which
957 prizes shall be paid, upon vouchers signed by the president, or by either
958 of two persons designated and authorized by him, in such numbers and
959 amounts as the president determines. The corporation may limit its
960 liability in games with fixed payouts and may cause a cessation of sales
961 of tickets of certain designation when such liability limit has been
962 reached. If authorized to conduct sports wagering pursuant to sections
963 2 and 5 of this act, the president shall deposit the proceeds of sales
964 related to sports wagering, as defined in section 1 of this act, in the
965 lottery fund, from which prizes shall be paid.

966 (b) The president, subject to the direction of the board, may enter into
967 agreements for the sale of product advertising on lottery tickets, play
968 slips and other lottery media.

969 (c) On a weekly basis, the president shall estimate, and certify to the
970 State Treasurer, that portion of the balance in the lottery fund which
971 exceeds the current needs of the corporation for the payment of prizes,
972 the payment of current operating expenses and funding of approved
973 reserves of the corporation. The corporation shall transfer the amount
974 so certified from the lottery fund of the corporation to the General Fund
975 upon notification of receipt of such certification by the Treasurer, except
976 that if the amount on deposit in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement
977 Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 10-
978 183vv, is less than the required minimum capital reserve, as defined in
979 subsection (b) of said section, the corporation shall pay such amount so
980 certified to the trustee of the fund for deposit in the fund. If the
981 corporation transfers any moneys to the General Fund at any time when

982 the amount on deposit in said capital reserve fund is less than the
983 required minimum capital reserve, the amount of such transfer shall be
984 deemed appropriated from the General Fund to the Connecticut
985 Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund.

986 (d) On a weekly basis, the president shall estimate, and certify to the
987 State Treasurer, that portion of the balance in the fund established
988 pursuant to subsection (f) of section 17 of this act which exceeds the
989 current needs of the corporation for the payment of prizes, the payment
990 of current operating expenses and funding of approved reserves of the
991 corporation for the online lottery program established pursuant to
992 section 17 of this act. The corporation shall transfer the amount so
993 certified to the debt-free community college account established
994 pursuant to section 18 of this act upon notification of receipt of such
995 certification by the State Treasurer.

996 Sec. 25. Section 12-816 of the general statutes is repealed and the
997 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

998 The exercise of the powers granted by sections 1-120, 1-121, 1-125, 12-
999 563, 12-563a, as amended by this act, 12-564, 12-566, 12-568a and 12-569,
1000 subsection (c) of section 12-574, [and] sections 12-800 to 12-818,
1001 inclusive, and sections 2 and 5 of this act, if the corporation is authorized
1002 to conduct sports wagering, and section 17 of this act, constitute the
1003 performance of an essential governmental function and all operations of
1004 the corporation shall be free from any form of federal or state taxation.
1005 In addition, except pursuant to any federal requirements, the
1006 corporation shall not be required to pay any taxes or assessments upon
1007 or in respect to sales of lottery tickets, or any property or moneys of the
1008 corporation, levied by the state or any political subdivision or municipal
1009 taxing authority. The corporation and its assets, property and revenues
1010 shall at all times be free from taxation of every kind by the state and by
1011 the municipalities and all other political subdivisions or special districts
1012 having taxing powers in the state.

1013 Sec. 26. Section 12-557b of the general statutes is repealed and the

1014 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1015 As used in this chapter, sections [12-578a to 12-578e, inclusive,] 12-
1016 579 and 12-580, chapter 226b [,] and section 53-278g, as amended by this
1017 act, unless the context otherwise requires:

1018 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Consumer
1019 Protection;

1020 (2) "Department" means the Department of Consumer Protection;

1021 (3) "Business organization" means a partnership, incorporated or
1022 unincorporated association, firm, corporation, trust or other form of
1023 business or legal entity, other than a financial institution regulated by a
1024 state or federal agency which is not exercising control over an
1025 association licensee, but does not mean a governmental or sovereign
1026 entity;

1027 (4) "Control" means the power to exercise authority over or direct the
1028 management and policies of a person or business organization;

1029 (5) "Casino gaming facility" means any casino gaming facility
1030 authorized by any provision of the general statutes or a public or special
1031 act to conduct authorized games on its premises, but does not include
1032 any casino gaming facility located on Indian lands pursuant to the
1033 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, P.L. 100-497, 25 USC 2701 et seq.;

1034 (6) "Authorized game" means any game of chance specifically
1035 authorized to be conducted at a casino gaming facility by any provision
1036 of the general statutes or a public or special act; and

1037 (7) "Gross gaming revenue" means the total of all sums actually
1038 received by a casino gaming facility from gaming operations less the
1039 total of all sums paid as winnings to patrons of the casino gaming
1040 facility, provided the total of all sums paid as winnings to such patrons
1041 shall not include the cash equivalent value of any merchandise or thing
1042 of value included in a jackpot or payout, and provided further the

1043 issuance to or wagering by such patrons of any promotional gaming
1044 credit shall not be included in the total of all sums actually received by
1045 a casino gaming facility for the purposes of determining gross gaming
1046 revenue.

1047 Sec. 27. Section 12-561 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1048 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1049 No commissioner or unit head or employee of the department shall
1050 directly or indirectly, individually or as a member of a partnership or as
1051 a shareholder of a corporation, have any interest whatsoever in dealing
1052 in any lottery, racing, fronton, betting enterprise or casino gaming
1053 facility or in the ownership or leasing of any property or premises used
1054 by or for any lottery, racing, fronton, betting enterprise or casino gaming
1055 facility. No commissioner or unit head shall, directly or indirectly,
1056 wager at any off-track betting facility, race track or fronton authorized
1057 under this chapter, purchase lottery tickets issued under this chapter,
1058 [or] play, directly or indirectly, any authorized game conducted at a
1059 casino gaming facility or place a sports wager or participate in online
1060 casino gaming, as such terms are defined in section 1 of this act. The
1061 commissioner may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions
1062 of chapter 54 to prohibit any employee of the department from
1063 engaging, directly or indirectly, in any form of legalized gambling
1064 activity in which such employee is involved because of his or her
1065 employment with the department. For purposes of this section, "unit
1066 head" means a managerial employee with direct oversight of a legalized
1067 gambling activity.

1068 Sec. 28. Section 12-563a of the general statutes is repealed and the
1069 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1070 The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall, within available
1071 resources, prepare and distribute informational materials designed to
1072 inform the public of the programs available for the prevention,
1073 treatment and rehabilitation of compulsive gamblers in this state. The
1074 commissioner shall require any casino gaming facility and any person

1075 or business organization which is licensed to sell lottery tickets, operate
1076 an off-track betting system or conduct wagering on racing events or jai
1077 alai games, to display such informational materials at the casino gaming
1078 facility and each licensed premise or retail sports wagering facility,
1079 respectively.

1080 Sec. 29. Subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 12-578e of the
1081 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1082 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1083 (c) (1) There is established a fund to be known as the "State Gaming
1084 Regulatory Fund". The fund shall contain any moneys required or
1085 permitted to be deposited in the fund and shall be held by the Treasurer
1086 separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts.
1087 Investment earnings credited to the assets of said fund shall become part
1088 of the assets of said fund. Any balance remaining in said fund at the end
1089 of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in said fund for the fiscal year
1090 next succeeding. Moneys in the fund shall be expended by the Treasurer
1091 for the purposes of paying the costs incurred by the department to
1092 regulate casino gaming facilities, online casino gaming, retail sports
1093 wagering and online sports wagering, as such terms are defined in
1094 section 1 of this act.

1095 Sec. 30. Subsection (c) of section 12-578g of the general statutes is
1096 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1097 *2021*):

1098 (c) Not later than thirty days after the date the casino gaming facility
1099 is operational and on a monthly basis thereafter while such casino
1100 gaming facility is operational, MMCT Venture, LLC, shall pay to the
1101 state: (1) Ten per cent of the gross gaming revenue from the operation
1102 of authorized games, except video facsimile games, which shall be
1103 deposited in the state-wide tourism marketing account, established
1104 pursuant to section 10-395a, and used for state-wide marketing
1105 activities; (2) fifteen per cent of the gross gaming revenue from the
1106 operation of authorized games, except video facsimile games, which

1107 shall be deposited in the General Fund; and (3) twenty-five per cent of
1108 the gross gaming revenue from the operation of video facsimile games,
1109 which shall be deposited as follows: (A) [Seven million five hundred
1110 thousand] Nine million dollars annually in the municipal gaming
1111 account, established pursuant to section 12-578h, as amended by this
1112 act, and (B) any remaining amounts in the General Fund.

1113 Sec. 31. Section 12-578h of the general statutes is repealed and the
1114 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1115 (a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal
1116 gaming account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within
1117 the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund established by section 3-
1118 55i, as amended by this act. The account shall contain any moneys
1119 required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account
1120 shall be expended by the Office of Policy and Management for the
1121 purpose of providing annual grants pursuant to subsection (b) of this
1122 section.

1123 (b) On and after the date the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
1124 Management finds that a minimum of [seven million five hundred
1125 thousand] nine million dollars has been deposited in the municipal
1126 gaming account pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-578g, as
1127 amended by this act, the Office of Policy and Management shall provide
1128 an annual grant of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars to each of the
1129 following municipalities: Bridgeport, East Hartford, Ellington, Enfield,
1130 Hartford, New Haven, Norwalk, South Windsor, Waterbury, West
1131 Hartford, Windsor and Windsor Locks. The amount of the grant
1132 payable to each municipality during any fiscal year shall be reduced
1133 proportionately if the total of such grants exceeds the amount of funds
1134 available for such year.

1135 Sec. 32. Section 17a-713 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1136 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1137 (a) The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall

1138 establish a program for the treatment and rehabilitation of compulsive
1139 gamblers in the state. The program shall provide prevention, treatment
1140 and rehabilitation services for chronic gamblers. The department may
1141 enter into agreements with subregional planning and action councils
1142 and nonprofit organizations to assist in providing these services,
1143 provided not less than twenty-five per cent of the amount received
1144 pursuant to section 12-818 annually shall be set aside for contracts with
1145 subregional planning and action councils established pursuant to
1146 section 17a-671 and nonprofit organizations and not less than five per
1147 cent of the amount received pursuant to section 12-818 annually shall be
1148 set aside for a contract with the Connecticut Council on Problem
1149 Gambling. The department may impose a reasonable fee, on a sliding
1150 scale, on those participants who can afford to pay for any such services.
1151 The department shall implement such program when the account
1152 established under subsection (b) of this section is sufficient to meet
1153 initial operating expenses. As used in this section, "chronic gambler"
1154 means a person who is chronically and progressively preoccupied with
1155 gambling and the urge to gamble, and with gambling behavior that
1156 compromises, disrupts or damages personal, family or vocational
1157 pursuits.

1158 (b) The program established by subsection (a) of this section shall be
1159 funded by: ~~[imposition of: (1) A]~~ (1) Imposition of a fee of one hundred
1160 thirty-five dollars on each association license, for each performance of
1161 jai alai or dog racing conducted under the provisions of chapter 226,
1162 provided no such licensee shall contribute more than forty-five
1163 thousand dollars in any one year; (2) imposition of a fee of twenty-five
1164 dollars for each teletheater performance on each operator of a teletheater
1165 facility; [and] (3) the amount received from the Connecticut Lottery
1166 Corporation pursuant to section 12-818; and (4) the amount received
1167 from MMCT Venture, LLC, pursuant to section 12-578g, as amended by
1168 this act. The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall collect the fee
1169 from each association licensee or such operator on a monthly basis. The
1170 receipts shall be deposited in the General Fund and credited to a
1171 separate, nonlapsing chronic gamblers treatment and rehabilitation

1172 account which shall be established by the Comptroller. All moneys in
1173 the account are deemed to be appropriated and shall be expended for
1174 the purposes established in subsection (a) of this section.

1175 (c) The department shall adopt regulations in accordance with the
1176 provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section.

1177 Sec. 33. Subsection (a) of section 30-91 of the general statutes is
1178 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1179 *2021*):

1180 (a) The sale or the dispensing or consumption or the presence in
1181 glasses or other receptacles suitable to permit the consumption of
1182 alcoholic liquor by an individual in places operating under hotel
1183 permits, restaurant permits, cafe permits, Connecticut craft cafe permits,
1184 restaurant permits for catering establishments, bowling establishment
1185 permits, racquetball facility permits, club permits, coliseum permits,
1186 coliseum concession permits, special sporting facility restaurant
1187 permits, special sporting facility employee recreational permits, special
1188 sporting facility guest permits, special sporting facility concession
1189 permits, special sporting facility bar permits, golf country club permits,
1190 nonprofit public museum permits, university permits, airport
1191 restaurant permits, airport bar permits, airport airline club permits,
1192 tavern permits, manufacturer permits for beer, casino permits, except as
1193 provided in subsection (l) of this section, caterer liquor permits and
1194 charitable organization permits shall be unlawful on: (1) Monday,
1195 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between the hours of one
1196 o'clock a.m. and nine o'clock a.m.; (2) Saturday between the hours of two
1197 o'clock a.m. and nine o'clock a.m.; (3) Sunday between the hours of two
1198 o'clock a.m. and ten o'clock a.m.; (4) Christmas, except [(A)] for alcoholic
1199 liquor that is served where food is also available during the hours
1200 otherwise permitted by this section for the day on which Christmas falls;
1201 [, and (B) by casino permittees at casinos, as defined in section 30-37k;]
1202 and (5) January first between the hours of three o'clock a.m. and nine
1203 o'clock a.m., except that on any Sunday that is January first the

1204 prohibitions of this section shall be between the hours of three o'clock
1205 a.m. and ten o'clock a.m.

1206 Sec. 34. Subsection (l) of section 30-91 of the general statutes is
1207 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1208 *2021*):

1209 (l) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (a) of this section, it
1210 shall be lawful for casino permittees at casinos, as defined in section 30-
1211 37k, to (1) allow the sale or dispensing of alcohol to, or consumption or
1212 presence in glasses or other receptacles suitable to permit the
1213 consumption of alcoholic liquor by, an individual who is staying at a
1214 hotel in the casino or a hotel or campground affiliated with the casino
1215 and accessible by a shuttle service, except such alcoholic liquor shall not
1216 be served to a patron of such casino during (A) Monday, Tuesday,
1217 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday between the hours of four
1218 o'clock a.m. and nine o'clock a.m.; and (B) Sunday between the hours of
1219 four o'clock a.m. and ten o'clock a.m.; and (2) allow the presence of
1220 alcoholic liquor in glasses or other receptacles suitable to permit the
1221 consumption thereof by an individual at any time on its gaming facility,
1222 as defined in subsection (a) of section 30-37k. [provided such alcoholic
1223 liquor shall not be served to a patron of such casino during the hours
1224 specified in subsection (a) of this section.] Each casino permittee shall
1225 maintain, in writing, an alcohol service policy that provides for the safe
1226 sale and dispensing of alcohol pursuant to the casino permit. Each
1227 casino permittee shall review such policy at least once each year. For
1228 purposes of this section, "receptacles suitable to permit the consumption
1229 of alcoholic liquor" [shall] does not include bottles of distilled spirits or
1230 bottles of wine.

1231 Sec. 35. Section 52-553 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1232 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1233 All wagers, and all contracts and securities of which the whole or any
1234 part of the consideration is money or other valuable thing won, laid or
1235 bet, at any game, horse race, sport or pastime, and all contracts to repay

1236 any money knowingly lent at the time and place of such game, race,
1237 sport or pastime, to any person so gaming, betting or wagering, or to
1238 repay any money lent to any person who, at such time and place, so
1239 pays, bets or wagers, shall be void, provided nothing in this section shall
1240 (1) affect the validity of any negotiable instrument held by any person
1241 who acquired the same for value and in good faith without notice of
1242 illegality in the consideration, (2) apply to the sale of a raffle ticket
1243 pursuant to section 7-172, (3) apply to sports wagering, and online
1244 casino gaming, as such terms are defined in section 1 of this act, and
1245 conducted pursuant to sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, as applicable,
1246 (4) apply to the participation in the program established by the
1247 Connecticut Lottery Corporation pursuant to section 17 of this act, or
1248 [(3)] (5) apply to any wager or contract otherwise authorized by law.

1249 Sec. 36. Section 52-554 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1250 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1251 Any person who, by playing at any game, or betting on the sides or
1252 hands of such as play at any game, excluding any game permitted under
1253 chapter 226 or any activity not prohibited under the provisions of
1254 sections 53-278a to 53-278g, inclusive, as amended by this act, loses the
1255 sum or value of one dollar in the whole and pays or delivers the same
1256 or any part thereof, may, within three months next following, recover
1257 from the winner the money or the value of the goods so lost and paid or
1258 delivered, with costs of suit in a civil action, without setting forth the
1259 special matter in his complaint. If the defendant refuses to testify, if
1260 called upon in such action, relative to the discovery of the property so
1261 won, [he] the defendant shall be defaulted; but no evidence so given by
1262 [him] the defendant shall be offered against him or her in any criminal
1263 prosecution. Nothing in this section shall prohibit any person from
1264 using a credit card to participate in (1) sports wagering or online casino
1265 gaming, as such terms are defined in section 1 of this act, and conducted
1266 pursuant to sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, as applicable, or (2) the
1267 program established by the Connecticut Lottery Corporation pursuant
1268 to section 17 of this act.

1269 Sec. 37. Subdivision (2) of section 53-278a of the general statutes is
1270 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1271 *2021*):

1272 (2) "Gambling" means risking any money, credit, deposit or other
1273 thing of value for gain contingent in whole or in part upon lot, chance
1274 or the operation of a gambling device, including the playing of a casino
1275 gambling game such as blackjack, poker, craps, roulette or a slot
1276 machine, but does not include: Legal contests of skill, speed, strength or
1277 endurance in which awards are made only to entrants or the owners of
1278 entries; legal business transactions which are valid under the law of
1279 contracts; activity legal under the provisions of sections 7-169 to 7-186,
1280 inclusive; any lottery or contest conducted by or under the authority of
1281 any state of the United States, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or any
1282 possession or territory of the United States; and other acts or
1283 transactions expressly authorized by law on or after October 1, 1973.
1284 Fantasy contests, as defined in section 12-578aa, shall not be considered
1285 gambling, provided the conditions set forth in subsection (b) of section
1286 12-578aa have been met and the operator of such contests is registered
1287 pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 12-578aa. Sports
1288 wagering and online casino gaming, as such terms are defined in section
1289 1 of this act, shall not be considered gambling if the sports wagering or
1290 online casino gaming is conducted pursuant to sections 2 to 7, inclusive,
1291 of this act;

1292 Sec. 38. Subdivision (4) of section 53-278a of the general statutes is
1293 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1294 *2021*):

1295 (4) "Gambling device" means any device or mechanism by the
1296 operation of which a right to money, credits, deposits or other things of
1297 value may be created, as the result of the operation of an element of
1298 chance; any device or mechanism which, when operated for a
1299 consideration, does not return the same value or thing of value for the
1300 same consideration upon each operation thereof; any device,

1301 mechanism, furniture or fixture designed primarily for use in
1302 connection with professional gambling; and any subassembly or
1303 essential part designed or intended for use in connection with any such
1304 device, mechanism, furniture, fixture, construction or installation,
1305 provided an immediate and unrecorded right of replay mechanically
1306 conferred on players of pinball machines and similar amusement
1307 devices shall be presumed to be without value. "Gambling device" does
1308 not include a crane game machine or device or a redemption machine.
1309 A device or equipment used to play fantasy contests, as defined in
1310 section 12-578aa, shall not be considered a gambling device, provided
1311 the conditions set forth in subsection (b) of section 12-578aa have been
1312 met. A device or equipment used to participate in sports wagering or
1313 online casino gaming, as such terms are defined in section 1 of this act,
1314 shall not be considered a gambling device if the conditions set forth in
1315 sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, as applicable, have been met;

1316 Sec. 39. Section 53-278g of the general statutes is repealed and the
1317 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1318 (a) Nothing in sections 53-278a to 53-278f, inclusive, as amended by
1319 this act, shall be construed to prohibit the publication of an
1320 advertisement of, or the operation of, or participation in, a state lottery,
1321 pari-mutuel betting at race tracks licensed by the state, off-track betting
1322 conducted by the state or a licensee authorized to operate the off-track
1323 betting system, authorized games at a casino gaming facility, sports
1324 wagering and online casino gaming, as authorized by sections 2 to 7,
1325 inclusive, of this act, a promotional drawing for a prize or prizes,
1326 conducted for advertising purposes by any person, firm or corporation
1327 other than a retail grocer or retail grocery chain, wherein members of
1328 the general public may participate without making any purchase or
1329 otherwise paying or risking credit, money, or any other tangible thing
1330 of value or a sweepstakes conducted pursuant to sections 42-295 to 42-
1331 301, inclusive.

1332 (b) The Mashantucket Pequot [tribe] Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of

1333 Indians of Connecticut, or their agents, may use and possess at any
1334 location within the state, solely for the purpose of training individuals
1335 in skills required for employment by the tribe or testing a gambling
1336 device, any gambling device which the tribes are authorized to utilize
1337 on their reservations pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory
1338 Act; provided no money or other thing of value shall be paid to any
1339 person as a result of the operation of such gambling device in the course
1340 of such training or testing at locations outside of the reservation of the
1341 tribe. Any person receiving such training or testing such device may use
1342 any such device in the course of such training or testing. Whenever
1343 either of said tribes intends to use and possess at any location within the
1344 state any such gambling device for the purpose of testing such device,
1345 the tribe shall give prior notice of such testing to the Department of
1346 Consumer Protection.

1347 (c) Any casino gaming facility, or its agents, may use and possess at
1348 any location within the state, solely for the purpose of training
1349 individuals in skills required for employment by the casino gaming
1350 facility or testing a gambling device, any gambling device which the
1351 casino gaming facility may use for conducting authorized games at the
1352 casino gaming facility, provided no money or other thing of value shall
1353 be paid to any person as a result of the operation of such gambling
1354 device in the course of such training or testing at locations outside of the
1355 casino gaming facility. Any person receiving such training or testing
1356 such device may use any such device in the course of such training or
1357 testing. Whenever a casino gaming facility intends to use and possess at
1358 any location within the state any such gambling device for the purpose
1359 of testing such device, the casino gambling facility shall give prior notice
1360 of such testing to the Department of Consumer Protection.

1361 Sec. 40. Subparagraph (G) of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of
1362 section 12-18b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is
1363 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1364 (G) [Forty-five] One hundred per cent of the property taxes that

1365 would have been paid with respect to any land designated within the
1366 1983 Settlement boundary and taken into trust by the federal
1367 government for the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation prior to June 8,
1368 1999, or taken into trust by the federal government for the Mohegan
1369 Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, provided the real property subject to
1370 this subparagraph shall be the land only, and shall not include the
1371 assessed value of any structures, buildings or other improvements on
1372 such land; and

1373 Sec. 41. Section 3-55i of the general statutes is repealed and the
1374 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1375 (a) There is established the "Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan
1376 Fund" which shall be a separate nonlapsing fund. All funds received by
1377 the state of Connecticut from the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe pursuant
1378 to the joint memorandum of understanding entered into by and
1379 between the state and the tribe on January 13, 1993, as amended on April
1380 30, 1993, and any successor thereto, shall be deposited in the General
1381 Fund. [During the fiscal year] For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015,
1382 [and each fiscal year thereafter,] to June 30, 2021, inclusive, from the
1383 funds received by the state from the tribe pursuant to said joint
1384 memorandum of understanding, as amended, and any successor
1385 thereto, an amount equal to the appropriation to the Mashantucket
1386 Pequot and Mohegan Fund for Grants to Towns shall be transferred to
1387 the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund. [and shall be distributed
1388 by the Office of Policy and Management, during said fiscal year, in
1389 accordance with the provisions of section 3-55j.] For the fiscal year
1390 ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year thereafter, one hundred thirty-
1391 seven million dollars of the funds deposited in the General Fund
1392 pursuant to this subsection, the memorandum of understanding entered
1393 into by and between the state and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of
1394 Connecticut on May 17, 1994, as amended from time to time and section
1395 8 of this act shall be transferred from the General Fund to the
1396 Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund. During each fiscal year, the
1397 Office of Policy and Management shall make distributions from the

1398 Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund in accordance with the
 1399 provisions of section 3-55j. The amount of the grant payable to each
 1400 municipality during any fiscal year, in accordance with said section,
 1401 shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants exceeds the
 1402 amount of funds available for such year. The grant shall be paid in three
 1403 installments as follows: The Secretary of the Office of Policy and
 1404 Management shall, annually, not later than the fifteenth day of
 1405 December, the fifteenth day of March and the fifteenth day of June
 1406 certify to the Comptroller the amount due each municipality under the
 1407 provisions of section 3-55j and the Comptroller shall draw an order on
 1408 the Treasurer on or before the fifth business day following the fifteenth
 1409 day of December, the fifth business day following the fifteenth day of
 1410 March and the fifth business day following the fifteenth day of June and
 1411 the Treasurer shall pay the amount thereof to such municipality on or
 1412 before the first day of January, the first day of April and the thirtieth day
 1413 of June.

1414 (b) The transfers from the General Fund to the Mashantucket Pequot
 1415 and Mohegan Fund required by subsection (a) of this section shall not
 1416 be reduced except on (1) submission to the General Assembly by the
 1417 Governor of a certification of an emergency requiring such reduction;
 1418 and (2) a vote of at least two-thirds of the members of each house of the
 1419 General Assembly approving such reduction.

1420 Sec. 42. Sections 12-565a and 12-578j of the general statutes are
 1421 repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2021*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
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