



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 123

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House Bill No. 5232

House of Representatives, March 21, 2023

The Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement reported through REP. HADDAD of the 54th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT PROHIBITING PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM RECEIVING MONEY FOR SOLICITING STUDENTS TO GAMBLE ONLINE.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2023*) No public institution of higher
2 education may profit or receive money from a sponsor, marketing
3 company or any other entity in exchange for allowing such sponsor,
4 company or entity to directly solicit students enrolled at such institution
5 to gamble through an Internet web site, online service or mobile
6 application. As used in this section, "directly solicit" means to make
7 direct contact with a person through mail, telephone, electronic mail, in-
8 person communication or any other means for the purpose of inducing
9 such person to make a transaction.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	New section
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HED Joint Favorable

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OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

This bill prohibits public higher education institutions from profiting or receiving money from various entities by allowing them to directly solicit enrolled students to gamble through a website, online service, or mobile application. This does not result in a revenue loss as it is current practice with the higher education constituent units.

The Out Years**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5232*****AN ACT PROHIBITING PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM RECEIVING MONEY FOR SOLICITING STUDENTS TO GAMBLE ONLINE.*****SUMMARY**

This bill prohibits public higher education institutions from profiting or receiving money from a sponsor, marketing company, or other entity for allowing it to directly solicit enrolled students to gamble through a website, online service, or mobile application. Under the bill, “directly solicit” means making direct contact with a person through mail, phone, e-mail, in-person communication, or any other means to induce the person to make a transaction.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 22 Nay 0 (03/07/2023)