Department of Treasury Michigan Gaming Control Board Administrative Rules for Internet Sports Betting Rules Rule Set 2024-5 TY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Thursday, July 11, 2024 10:00 AM

Michigan Gaming Control Board, Hearing Room 3062 W. Grand Blvd., Suite L-700, Detroit, Michigan

The Department of Treasury will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Internet Sports Betting Rules rule set.

The proposed amendments will:

(1) Clarify the vendor requirements and the vendor registration process contained in rule 729, Mich Admin Code R 432.729, consistent with the Lawful Sports Betting Act, MCL 432.401 – 419. Currently, the provisions governing vendor requirements and registration are all in rule 729. The proposed amendments will keep vendor requirements in rule 729 and will move vendor registration to newly added rule 729a.

(2) Amend part of the responsible gaming requirement imposed in rule 754(a), Mich Admin Code R 432.754(a). Currently this section requires internet sports betting operators and internet sports betting platform providers to prominently display a specific Michigan gambling helpline on their websites. The proposed amendment to Rule 754(a) changes this to a more generic requirement for operators and platform providers to provide a toll-free compulsive gambling helpline.

By authority conferred on the Michigan gaming control board by sections 10(1)(h) & 10(1)(l) of the Lawful Sports Betting Act, which provides the board with authority to promulgate any rules necessary and proper to govern internet sports betting, including requirements to ensure responsible gaming, and requirements for vendors and vendor registration. MCL 432.410(1)(h) & (l).

The proposed rules will take effect immediately after filing with the Secretary of State. The proposed rules are published on the State of Michigan's website at www.michigan.gov/ARD and in the 7/1/2024 issue of the Michigan Register. Copies of these proposed rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic mail at the following email address: Mckeownj4@michigan.gov.

Comments on these proposed rules may be made at the hearing, by mail, or by electronic mail at the following addresses until 7/11/2024 at 05:00PM.

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The public hearing will be conducted in compliance with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. If the hearing is held at a physical location, the building will be accessible with handicap parking available. Anyone needing assistance to take part in the hearing due to disability may call 313-456-4205 to make arrangements.