LAWFUL INTERNET GAMING ACT (EXCERPT) Act 152 of 2019

432.302 Legislative findings, declaration, and intent.

Sec. 2.

The legislature finds and declares all of the following:

- (a) Operating, conducting, and offering for play internet games over the internet involves gaming activity that already occurs throughout this state illegally.
- (b) This act is consistent and complies with the unlawful internet gambling enforcement act of 2006, 31 USC 5361 to 5367, and specifically authorizes use of the internet to place, receive, or otherwise knowingly transmit a bet or wager if that use complies with this act and rules promulgated under this act.
- (c) This act is consistent and complies with the state constitution of 1963 by ensuring that the internet may be used to place wagers only on games of skill or chance that may be lawfully played in this state and that internet gaming is only conducted by persons who are lawfully operating casinos in this state.
- (d) In order to protect residents of this state who wager on games of chance or skill through the internet and to capture revenues generated from internet gaming, it is in the best interest of this state and its citizens to regulate this activity by establishing a secure, responsible, fair, and legal system of internet gaming.
- (e) The use of the internet to sell lottery games, including digital representations of lottery games and entertaining displays for revealing outcomes, continues to be permitted as a method for selling state lottery games. This act is not intended to prohibit sales described in this subdivision.

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