

SB2913



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 10/13/2021, by Sen. Mattie Hunter

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

230 ILCS 45/25-37 new

Amends the Sports Wagering Act. Authorizes a professional women's sports team that has been in existence at least 10 years or its designee to apply to the Illinois Gaming Board to be issued a master sports wagering license. Provides for the initial license fee, renewal fee, and conduct of providing sports wagering by a professional women's sports team or its designee.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning gaming.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Sports Wagering Act is amended by adding
5 Section 25-37 as follows:

6 (230 ILCS 45/25-37 new)

7 Sec. 25-37. Other master sports wagering licenses. A
8 professional women's sports team that has been in existence
9 for at least 10 years before the effective date of this
10 amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly or its designee
11 may apply to the Board for a master sports wagering license. To
12 the extent permitted by federal and State law, the Board shall
13 actively seek to achieve racial, ethnic, and geographic
14 diversity when issuing the master sports wagering license and
15 encourage minority-owned businesses, women-owned businesses,
16 veteran-owned businesses, and businesses owned by persons with
17 disabilities to apply for licensure. Additionally, the report
18 published under subsection (m) of Section 25-45 shall impact
19 the issuance of the master sports wagering license to the
20 extent permitted by federal and State law.

21 The initial license fee for a master sports wagering
22 license issued under this Section is 5% of the professional
23 women's sports team's or its designee's adjusted gross

1 receipts from the preceding calendar year. No initial license
2 fee shall exceed \$10,000,000. The master sports wagering
3 license is valid for 4 years.

4 The professional women's sports team or its designee may
5 renew the master sports wagering license for a period of 4
6 years by paying a \$1,000,000 renewal fee to the Board.

7 A professional women's sports team or its designee issued
8 a master sports wagering license may conduct sports wagering:

9 (1) at the facility in which the professional women's
10 sports team plays or within 5 blocks of that facility; and

11 (2) over the Internet or through a mobile application.

12 The sports wagering offered over the Internet or through a
13 mobile application shall only be offered under either the
14 same brand as the professional women's sports team or the
15 brand its designee is operating under or a brand owned by a
16 direct or indirect holding company that owns at least an
17 80% interest in that professional women's sports team or
18 its designee on the effective date of this amendatory Act
19 of the 102nd General Assembly.

20 Until issuance of the first license under Section 25-45,
21 an individual must create a sports wagering account in person
22 at a facility under paragraph (1) to participate in sports
23 wagering offered over the Internet or through a mobile
24 application.

25 As used in this Section:

26 "Designee" means a master sports wagering licensee under

1 Section 25-30, 25-35, or 25-45 or a management services
2 provider licensee.

3 "Minority-owned business", "women-owned business", and
4 "business owned by persons with disabilities" have the
5 meanings given to those terms in Section 2 of the Business
6 Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with
7 Disabilities Act.