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A Bill

SENATE BILL 757

5 By: Senator Madison
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PROGRAMS FOR THE PREVENTION,
9 EDUCATION, AND TREATMENT OF PROBLEM GAMBLING
10 DISORDERS AND COMPULSIVE GAMBLING DISORDERS; AND FOR
11 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO PROVIDE FOR PROGRAMS FOR THE
15 PREVENTION, EDUCATION, AND TREATMENT OF
16 PROBLEM GAMBLING DISORDERS AND COMPULSIVE
17 GAMBLING DISORDERS.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-115-103(19)(F), concerning the
24 definition of "operating expenses" of the Arkansas Lottery Commission, is
25 amended to read as follows:

26 (F) ~~Funds for compulsive gambling education and treatment~~
27 Funding for problem gambling disorder and compulsive gambling disorder
28 prevention, treatment, and educational programs under § 23-115-410;
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30 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 23-115-410 is amended to read as follows:

31 23-115-410. ~~Compulsive gambling~~ Gambling disorder prevention,
32 treatment, and educational programs.

33 (a) As used in this section, "gambling disorder" means problem
34 gambling disorder and compulsive gambling disorder.

35 ~~(a)(b)(1)~~ The Arkansas Lottery Commission shall provide an annual
36 amount of at least two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for:



1 ~~(1)(A)~~ *Compulsive gambling disorder treatment programs;*
2 *and*

3 ~~(2)(B)~~ *Compulsive gambling disorder educational programs.*

4 ~~(b)(1)(2)(A)~~ *The commission shall work together with the*
5 *Department of Human Services to implement the compulsive gambling disorder*
6 *treatment programs and the compulsive gambling disorder educational programs*
7 *under this section.*

8 ~~(2)(B)~~ *The commission may contract with the department for*
9 *providing all services related to and administration of the compulsive*
10 *gambling disorder treatment programs and the compulsive gambling disorder*
11 *educational programs.*

12 ~~(3)(C)~~ *The department may promulgate rules to administer*
13 *the compulsive gambling disorder treatment programs and the compulsive*
14 *gambling disorder educational programs.*

15 *(c)(1) The commission shall provide an annual amount of at least three*
16 *hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for:*

17 *(A) Programs for the prevention of gambling disorders; and*

18 *(B) Educational programs for adults and adolescents that*
19 *provide statewide ongoing public awareness of gambling disorders.*

20 *(2) The commission shall contract with the department to*
21 *administer and provide services and educational programs related to the*
22 *prevention of gambling disorders under this subsection.*

23 *(3) From the funding provided for under this section, the*
24 *department may make grants available to:*

25 *(A)(i) Age-appropriate educational programs to public and*
26 *private schools enrolling students in kindergarten through grade twelve (K-*
27 *12).*

28 *(ii) The funding provided for under this subsection*
29 *is in addition to funding received by public and private schools enrolling*
30 *students in kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) for educational programs*
31 *to address alcohol, drug, and tobacco abuse; and*

32 *(B) Public entities and nonprofit private entities,*
33 *including without limitation:*

34 *(i) A state affiliate of the National Council on*
35 *Problem Gambling; and*

36 *(ii) Those that currently provide services in mental*

1 health and substance abuse treatment and prevention, to provide services
2 related to the prevention and educational programs established under this
3 subsection.

4 (d) The prevention, treatment, and educational programs funded under
5 this section shall be provided free of charge to the public.

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