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House Judiciary Committee House Bill No. 1497 Relating to Gaming Site Number limits, E-Tab Device Limits, Licensing Fees January 30, 2023, Room 327B

Chairman Klemin, and House Judiciary members, my name is Deb McDaniel, I am the Director of Gaming for the Office of Attorney General.

The Gaming Division is in support of House Bill No. 1497. This bill would provide for licensed smaller gaming organizations and additional nonprofit organizations who are seeking to conduct charitable gaming an opportunity for gaming sites. There are over 322 licensed gaming organizations conducting in approximately 989 sites and 11 of the 322 organizations have over 10 sites.

The Gaming Division would also support putting a device limit in statute. At this time the 10-device limit is in Administrative Code however should the limit be increased in Administrative Code our office may not be able to request additional support to adequately regulate for the expansion for nearly a year later. If the limit is in statute, should the limit be increased, our office would have the opportunity at that time to request adequate funding to support the increased need for regulation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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