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Senate Bill 176

Chairman Schuring and members of the Select Committee on Gaming, thank you for allowing my joint sponsor, Senator Antani and I to provide testimony on Senate Bill 176. Senate Bill 176 will legalize and regulate sports betting in Ohio.

Senate Bill 176 will create three ways for Ohioans to bet on sports, those three pathways include;

- 1) The first is mobile betting. An entity must apply for a Type A (application) licenses and subcontract with a mobile app which will give Ohioans the opportunity to place wagers on their phones as long as they are in the state.
- 2) The second is in-person at sportsbooks. There are 20 Type B (Brick and Mortar Establishments) licenses that are available.
- 3) Final option is through a lottery pool, run by Ohio Lottery and acts like a traditional lottery.

Sports betting will be regulated by the Ohio Casino Control Commission. Professional, international, Olympic, college sports and any other special event are eligible to be wagered on so long as approved by the OCC. Extensive background checks and credentialing will be conducted in order obtain a license. Wagers can include (requiring approval by the Commission): parlays, over-under, moneyline, in-game wagers, single-game bets, teaser bets, in-play bets, proposition bets, pools, pari-mutual sports wagering pools, straight bets, or any other type of wagering approved by the Commission.

As previously mentioned, there are two types of licenses, 20 Type A Licenses which are linked to existing Ohio locations or can create an Ohio presence. Type A licenses sub-contract to mobile app people who run the platforms for them. It is important to note that Type A Licenses can sub-contract with an unlimited amount of mobile apps. Additionally, there are 20 Type B licenses- brick and mortar, these licenses are not limited to anyone as long as they can prove to the Ohio Casino Control Commission that they are good standing and can "bank the bet". As explained in the sub-bill, the Ohio Casino Control Commission can use a regional factor to help create economic growth. This sub bill removed the provision that existing casinos and racinos cannot have type B on their current land.

The bill includes a 10% tax on net revenue from sports gaming. Furthermore, 98% of the dollars go to all K-12 education and 2% goes to problem gaming.

Chairman Schuring and members of the Select Committee on Gaming, thank you for allowing me to testify on Senate Bill 176. I appreciate your time and welcome any questions you may have.