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Senate Bill 991 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Lawful Internet Gaming Act to do the following:

- -- Allow the Michigan Gaming Control Board (MGCB) to enter into agreements with other jurisdictions, including Indian tribes, to facilitate, administer, and regulate multijurisdictional internet gaming by internet gaming operators.
- -- Specify that an age verification requirement also would apply to transactions that were initiated and received or otherwise made by an authorized participant in other jurisdictions, if the MGCB authorized multijurisdictional internet gaming for poker as provided in the Act.
- -- Require existing minimum internal controls also to pertain to procedures and requirements for the acceptance of internet wagers for poker initiated or otherwise made by individuals located in other jurisdictions, if the MGCB authorized multijurisdictional gaming as provided in the Act.

MCL 432.303 et al.

Legislative Analyst: Stephen Jackson

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill could have a positive fiscal impact on State revenue, a minimal fiscal impact on the Michigan Gaming Control Board, and a positive fiscal impact on the City of Detroit. Any additionally geographical areas that allowed internet gaming, though multijurisdictional agreement, could provide additional revenue to the State from the additional gaming activity. This would increase the disbursements from the internet gaming tax, which would include disbursements to the School Aid Fund, the Michigan Agriculture Equine Development Fund, and the City of Detroit.

The bill likely would not add significant ongoing costs to the Michigan Gaming Control Board. Any additional costs would be support from the Internet Gaming Fund.

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