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House Committees

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF FANTASY CONTESTS.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

The bill defines a "fantasy contest" as a game or contest in which:

- ! The value of all prizes offered to winning participants is made known to the participants in advance of the contest; and
- ! Winning outcomes:
 - ! Reflect the relative knowledge and skill of the participants;
 - ! Are determined predominantly by accumulated

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*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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statistical results of the performance of athletes in fully completed sporting events; and

- ! Are not based on randomized or historical events or on the score, point spread, or any performance of any single actual sports team or combination of such teams or solely on any single performance of an individual athlete in any single actual sporting event.

University, college, high school, and youth sporting events are excluded from fantasy contests.

A person must be licensed by the newly created office of fantasy contests in the department of regulatory agencies to be able to offer to conduct a fantasy contest. Fantasy contests may be conducted by a fantasy contest operator at licensed gaming establishments, class B horse racing tracks, and at a licensed facility at which pari-mutuel wagering may occur.

A licensed fantasy contest operator must:

- ! Submit to a fingerprint-based criminal history record check in connection with initial licensure;
- ! Not use a device that replicates or qualifies as limited gaming;
- ! Contract with a third party to annually perform an independent audit to ensure compliance and submit the results of the audit to the office; and
- ! Keep daily records of its operations and maintain the records for at least 3 years.

A fantasy contest operator who violates the act is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000 for each violation.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** article 15.5 to
3 title 12 as follows:

4 **ARTICLE 15.5**

5 **Fantasy Contests**

6 **12-15.5-101. Short title.** THE SHORT TITLE OF THIS ARTICLE IS
7 THE "FANTASY CONTESTS ACT".

8 **12-15.5-102. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE
9 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

1 (1) "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION" MEANS INFORMATION RELATED
2 TO THE PLAY OF A FANTASY CONTEST BY FANTASY CONTEST PLAYERS
3 OBTAINED AS A RESULT OF OR BY VIRTUE OF A PERSON'S EMPLOYMENT.

4 (2) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF
5 PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF
6 REGULATORY AGENCIES OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE.

7 (3) "ENTRY FEE" MEANS CASH OR CASH EQUIVALENTS THAT ARE
8 REQUIRED TO BE PAID BY A FANTASY CONTEST PLAYER TO A FANTASY
9 CONTEST OPERATOR IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN A FANTASY CONTEST.

10 (4) "FANTASY CONTEST" MEANS A FANTASY OR SIMULATED GAME
11 OR CONTEST IN WHICH:

12 (a) THE VALUE OF ALL PRIZES AND AWARDS OFFERED TO WINNING
13 PARTICIPANTS IS ESTABLISHED AND MADE KNOWN TO THE PARTICIPANTS
14 IN ADVANCE OF THE CONTEST;

15 (b) ALL WINNING OUTCOMES REFLECT THE RELATIVE KNOWLEDGE
16 AND SKILL OF THE PARTICIPANTS AND ARE DETERMINED PREDOMINANTLY
17 BY ACCUMULATED STATISTICAL RESULTS OF THE PERFORMANCE OF
18 ATHLETES IN FULLY COMPLETED SPORTING EVENTS; EXCEPT THAT A
19 SPORTING EVENT THAT HAS BEEN CALLED OR SUSPENDED DUE TO
20 WEATHER OR ANY OTHER NATURAL OR UNFORSEEN EVENT IS CONSIDERED
21 FULLY COMPLETED; AND

22 (c) WINNING OUTCOMES ARE NOT BASED ON RANDOMIZED OR
23 HISTORICAL EVENTS OR ON THE SCORE, POINT SPREAD, OR ANY
24 PERFORMANCE OF ANY SINGLE ACTUAL SPORTS TEAM OR COMBINATION OF
25 SUCH TEAMS OR SOLELY ON ANY SINGLE PERFORMANCE OF AN INDIVIDUAL
26 ATHLETE IN ANY SINGLE ACTUAL SPORTING EVENT.

27 (5) "FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR" MEANS A PERSON OR ENTITY

1 THAT OFFERS FANTASY CONTESTS WITH AN ENTRY FEE FOR A CASH PRIZE
2 TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

3 (6) "FANTASY CONTEST PLAYER" MEANS A PERSON WHO
4 PARTICIPATES IN A FANTASY CONTEST OFFERED BY A FANTASY CONTEST
5 OPERATOR.

6 (7) "SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR" MEANS A FANTASY
7 CONTEST OPERATOR THAT HAS NO MORE THAN SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE
8 HUNDRED FANTASY CONTEST PLAYERS IN COLORADO WITH ACTIVE
9 ACCOUNTS.

10 **12-15.5-103. Fantasy contests - director - rules.** (1) THE
11 DIRECTOR SHALL PROMULGATE REASONABLE RULES FOR THE
12 IDENTIFICATION, LICENSING, AND FINGERPRINTING OF APPLICANTS FOR
13 LICENSURE.

14 (2) THE DIRECTOR MAY ADMINISTER OATHS, TAKE AFFIRMATIONS
15 OF WITNESSES, AND ISSUE SUBPOENAS TO COMPEL THE ATTENDANCE OF
16 WITNESSES AND THE PRODUCTION OF ALL RELEVANT PAPERS, BOOKS,
17 RECORDS, DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE, AND MATERIALS IN ANY HEARING,
18 INVESTIGATION, ACCUSATION, OR OTHER MATTER COMING BEFORE THE
19 DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE. THE DIRECTOR MAY APPOINT AN
20 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE PURSUANT TO PART 10 OF ARTICLE 30 OF
21 TITLE 24, C.R.S., TO TAKE EVIDENCE AND TO MAKE FINDINGS.

22 **12-15.5-104. Registration.** (1) ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2017, AN
23 ENTITY SHALL NOT OPERATE AS A SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR
24 UNLESS THE ENTITY IS REGISTERED WITH THE DIRECTOR. ON AND AFTER
25 JULY 1, 2017, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT OPERATING THROUGH AN
26 ENTITY SHALL NOT OPERATE AS A SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR
27 UNLESS THE ENTITY IS REGISTERED WITH THE DIRECTOR.

1 (2) A SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR IS SUBJECT TO ALL OF
2 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE; EXCEPT THAT:

3 (a) A SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR NEED ONLY BE
4 REGISTERED, NOT LICENSED, IN ORDER TO OFFER FANTASY CONTESTS FOR
5 A FEE, AND A SMALL FANTASY OPERATOR IS SUBJECT TO SECTION
6 12-15.5-105 (3); AND

7 (b) THE DIRECTOR SHALL:

8 (I) ESTABLISH A REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR SMALL FANTASY
9 CONTEST OPERATORS; AND

10 (II) NOT INITIATE AN INVESTIGATION OF A POTENTIAL VIOLATION
11 OF THIS ARTICLE BY A SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR EXCEPT UPON
12 THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WITH THE DIRECTOR THAT THE DIRECTOR
13 REASONABLY BELIEVES WARRANTS INVESTIGATION.

14 **12-15.5-105. Licensing.** (1) ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2017, AN
15 ENTITY SHALL NOT OPERATE AS A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR UNLESS
16 THE ENTITY IS LICENSED BY THE DIRECTOR. ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2017,
17 AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT OPERATING THROUGH AN ENTITY SHALL NOT
18 OPERATE AS A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL IS
19 LICENSED AS A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR BY THE DIRECTOR. AN
20 APPLICANT FOR LICENSURE MUST PAY LICENSE, RENEWAL, AND
21 REINSTATEMENT FEES ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR CONSISTENT WITH
22 SECTION 24-34-105, C.R.S., AND OTHER AUTHORITIES. A LICENSEE MUST
23 RENEW THE LICENSE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY
24 THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-34-102 (8), C.R.S. IF A LICENSEE
25 FAILS TO RENEW THE LICENSE PURSUANT TO THE SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED
26 BY THE DIRECTOR, THE LICENSE EXPIRES AND THE ENTITY SHALL NOT
27 PRACTICE UNDER THIS ARTICLE UNTIL THE REINSTATEMENT FEES ARE PAID

1 AND THE DIRECTOR REINSTATES THE LICENSE. A PERSON THAT CONTINUES
2 TO PRACTICE ONCE A LICENSE HAS EXPIRED IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES
3 PROVIDED IN THIS ARTICLE AND SECTION 24-34-102 (8), C.R.S.

4 (2) APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE AS A FANTASY CONTEST
5 OPERATOR MUST:

6 (a) BE VERIFIED BY THE OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF SUCH PERSON
7 OR PERSONS AS THE DIRECTOR MAY PRESCRIBE;

8 (b) BE MADE TO THE DIRECTOR ON FORMS PREPARED AND
9 FURNISHED BY THE DIRECTOR; AND

10 (c) SET FORTH SUCH INFORMATION AS THE DIRECTOR MAY REQUIRE
11 TO ENABLE THE DIRECTOR TO DETERMINE WHETHER AN APPLICANT MEETS
12 THE REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE UNDER THIS ARTICLE. THE
13 INFORMATION MUST INCLUDE:

14 (I) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE APPLICANT; █

15 (II) IF A PARTNERSHIP, THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL OF THE
16 PARTNERS, AND IF A CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION, OR OTHER
17 ORGANIZATION, THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE PRESIDENT, VICE
18 PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, AND MANAGING OFFICER, TOGETHER WITH ALL
19 OTHER INFORMATION DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE DIRECTOR; AND

20 (III) A DESIGNATION OF THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY WHO IS THE
21 AGENT FOR THE LICENSEE FOR ALL COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE DIRECTOR.

22 (3) (a) AN APPLICANT MAY NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR LICENSURE OR
23 REGISTRATION AS A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR OR LICENSURE
24 RENEWAL IF THE APPLICANT OR ANY OF ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, OR
25 GENERAL PARTNERS HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF OR HAS ENTERED A PLEA OF
26 NOLO CONTENDERE OR GUILTY TO A FELONY.

27 (b) THE DIRECTOR IS GOVERNED BY SECTION 24-5-101, C.R.S., IN

1 CONSIDERING THE CONVICTION OR PLEA OF NOLO CONTENDERE TO A
2 FELONY FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL SUBJECT TO A CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD
3 CHECK PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION.

4 (4) WITH THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE
5 GRANTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, EACH APPLICANT AND ITS OFFICERS,
6 DIRECTORS, AND GENERAL PARTNERS SHALL SUBMIT A COMPLETE SET OF
7 HIS OR HER FINGERPRINTS TO [REDACTED] THE COLORADO BUREAU OF
8 INVESTIGATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING FINGERPRINT-BASED
9 CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS. THE COLORADO BUREAU OF
10 INVESTIGATION SHALL FORWARD THE FINGERPRINTS TO THE FEDERAL
11 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING
12 FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS. THE DIRECTOR
13 MAY ACQUIRE A NAME-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK FOR A
14 PERSON WHO HAS TWICE SUBMITTED TO A FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL
15 HISTORY RECORD CHECK AND WHOSE FINGERPRINTS ARE UNCLASSIFIABLE.
16 A PERSON WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED FINGERPRINTS FOR STATE OR
17 LOCAL LICENSING PURPOSES MAY REQUEST THE USE OF THE FINGERPRINTS
18 ON FILE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL USE THE INFORMATION RESULTING FROM
19 THE FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK TO
20 INVESTIGATE AND DETERMINE WHETHER AN APPLICANT IS QUALIFIED TO
21 HOLD A LICENSE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. THE DIRECTOR MAY VERIFY
22 THE INFORMATION AN APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT. THE APPLICANT
23 SHALL PAY THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE FINGERPRINT-BASED
24 CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK TO THE COLORADO BUREAU OF
25 INVESTIGATION.

26 (5) A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR SHALL NOT CONDUCT,
27 OPERATE, OR OFFER A FANTASY CONTEST THAT:

1 (a) UTILIZES:

2 (I) VIDEO OR MECHANICAL REELS OR SYMBOLS OR ANY OTHER
3 DEPICTIONS OF SLOT MACHINES, POKER, BLACKJACK, CRAPS, OR ROULETTE;
4 OR

5 (II) ANY DEVICE THAT QUALIFIES AS OR REPLICATES GAMES THAT
6 CONSTITUTE LIMITED GAMING UNDER SECTION 9 OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE
7 COLORADO CONSTITUTION; OR

8 (b) INCLUDES A UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, HIGH SCHOOL, OR YOUTH
9 SPORTING EVENT.

10 **12-15.5-106. Consumer protections.** (1) A FANTASY CONTEST
11 OPERATOR, INCLUDING A SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR, SHALL
12 IMPLEMENT COMMERCIALY REASONABLE PROCEDURES FOR FANTASY
13 CONTESTS WITH AN ENTRY FEE, WHICH PROCEDURES ARE DESIGNED TO:

14 (a) PREVENT EMPLOYEES OF THE FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR,
15 INCLUDING A SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR, AND RELATIVES
16 LIVING IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD AS SUCH EMPLOYEES, FROM COMPETING
17 IN ANY FANTASY CONTESTS OFFERED BY ANY FANTASY CONTEST
18 OPERATOR IN WHICH THE OPERATOR OFFERS A CASH PRIZE;

19 (b) PREVENT SHARING OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION THAT
20 COULD AFFECT SUCH FANTASY CONTEST PLAY WITH THIRD PARTIES UNTIL
21 THE INFORMATION IS MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE;

22 [REDACTED]

23 (c) VERIFY THAT A FANTASY CONTEST PLAYER IN SUCH A FANTASY
24 CONTEST IS EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER;

25 (d) ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO PARTICIPATE OR OFFICIATE IN
26 A GAME OR CONTEST THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF SUCH A FANTASY CONTEST
27 WILL BE RESTRICTED FROM ENTERING SUCH A FANTASY CONTEST THAT IS

1 DETERMINED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, ON THE ACCUMULATED STATISTICAL
2 RESULTS OF A TEAM OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE GAME OR CONTEST IN WHICH
3 THEY ARE A PLAYER OR OFFICIAL;

4 (e) ALLOW INDIVIDUALS TO RESTRICT THEMSELVES FROM
5 ENTERING SUCH A FANTASY CONTEST UPON REQUEST AND PROVIDE
6 REASONABLE STEPS TO PREVENT THE PERSON FROM ENTERING SUCH
7 FANTASY CONTESTS OFFERED BY THE FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR,
8 INCLUDING A SMALL FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR;

9 (f) DISCLOSE THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES THAT A FANTASY CONTEST
10 PLAYER MAY SUBMIT TO EACH SUCH FANTASY CONTEST, PROVIDE
11 REASONABLE STEPS TO PREVENT PLAYERS FROM SUBMITTING MORE THAN
12 THE ALLOWABLE NUMBER, AND, IN ANY CONTEST INVOLVING AT LEAST
13 ONE HUNDRED ONE ENTRIES, NOT ALLOW A PLAYER TO SUBMIT MORE THAN
14 THE LESSER OF THREE PERCENT OF ALL ENTRIES OR ONE HUNDRED FIFTY
15 ENTRIES;

16 (g) SEGREGATE FANTASY CONTEST PLAYER FUNDS FROM
17 OPERATIONAL FUNDS AND MAINTAIN A RESERVE IN THE FORM OF CASH,
18 CASH EQUIVALENTS, AN IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT, A BOND, OR A
19 COMBINATION THEREOF, IN THE AMOUNT OF THE DEPOSITS MADE TO THE
20 ACCOUNTS OF FANTASY CONTEST PLAYERS FOR THE BENEFIT AND
21 PROTECTION OF THE FUNDS HELD IN SUCH ACCOUNTS;

22 (h) DISTINGUISH HIGHLY EXPERIENCED PLAYERS AND BEGINNER
23 PLAYERS AND ENSURE THAT HIGHLY EXPERIENCED PLAYERS ARE
24 CONSPICUOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS SUCH TO ALL PLAYERS;

25 (i) PROHIBIT THE USE OF SCRIPTS IN FANTASY CONTESTS THAT GIVE
26 A PLAYER AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE OVER OTHER PLAYERS AND MAKE ALL
27 AUTHORIZED SCRIPTS READILY AVAILABLE TO ALL FANTASY CONTEST

1 PLAYERS;

2 (j) CLEARLY AND CONSPICUOUSLY DISCLOSE ALL RULES THAT
3 GOVERN ITS CONTESTS, INCLUDING THE MATERIAL TERMS OF EACH
4 PROMOTIONAL OFFER AT THE TIME THE OFFER IS ADVERTISED; AND

5 (k) USE TECHNOLOGICALLY REASONABLE MEASURES TO LIMIT
6 EACH FANTASY CONTEST PLAYER TO ONE ACTIVE ACCOUNT WITH THAT
7 OPERATOR.

8 (2) A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR OFFERING FANTASY CONTESTS
9 IN THIS STATE SHALL:

10 (a) CONTRACT WITH A THIRD PARTY TO ANNUALLY PERFORM AN
11 INDEPENDENT AUDIT, CONSISTENT WITH THE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY
12 THE PUBLIC COMPANY ACCOUNTING OVERSIGHT BOARD, TO ENSURE
13 COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE; AND

14 (b) SUBMIT THE RESULTS OF THE AUDIT TO THE DIRECTOR.

15 **12-15.5-107. Duty to maintain records.** EACH FANTASY CONTEST
16 OPERATOR SHALL KEEP DAILY RECORDS OF ITS OPERATIONS AND SHALL
17 MAINTAIN THE RECORDS FOR AT LEAST THREE YEARS. THE RECORDS MUST
18 SUFFICIENTLY DETAIL ALL FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS TO DETERMINE
19 COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ARTICLE AND MUST BE
20 AVAILABLE FOR AUDIT AND INSPECTION BY THE DIRECTOR DURING THE
21 FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR'S REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.

22 **12-15.5-108. Authorization to conduct fantasy contests.**

23 (1) FANTASY CONTESTS ARE AUTHORIZED AND MAY BE CONDUCTED BY
24 A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR AT A LICENSED GAMING ESTABLISHMENT,
25 AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-47.1-103 (15). A GAMING
26 RETAILER, AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-47.1-103 (24), MAY
27 CONDUCT FANTASY CONTESTS IF THE GAMING RETAILER IS LICENSED AS A

1 FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR.

2 (2) FANTASY CONTESTS ARE AUTHORIZED AND MAY BE
3 CONDUCTED BY A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR AT A LICENSED FACILITY
4 AT WHICH PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING, AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN SECTION
5 12-60-102 (20.5), MAY OCCUR. AN OPERATOR OF A CLASS B TRACK, AS
6 THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-60-102 (4), MAY CONDUCT FANTASY
7 CONTESTS IF THE OPERATOR IS LICENSED AS A FANTASY CONTEST
8 OPERATOR.

9 (3) A FANTASY CONTEST CONDUCTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS
10 ARTICLE DOES NOT VIOLATE ARTICLE 10 OR 10.5 OF TITLE 18, C.R.S.

11 **12-15.5-109. Grounds for discipline.** (1) THE DIRECTOR MAY
12 DENY, SUSPEND, REVOKE, PLACE ON PROBATION, OR ISSUE A LETTER OF
13 ADMONITION AGAINST A LICENSE OR APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE IF THE
14 FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR OR APPLICANT:

15 (a) VIOLATES ANY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OR ANY PROVISION OF
16 THIS ARTICLE OR THE RULES ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS ARTICLE;

17 (b) FAILS TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE UNDER
18 THIS ARTICLE; OR

19 (c) USES FRAUD, MISREPRESENTATION, OR DECEIT IN APPLYING FOR
20 OR ATTEMPTING TO APPLY FOR LICENSURE OR OTHERWISE IN OPERATING
21 OR OFFERING TO OPERATE A FANTASY CONTEST.

22 (2) IF IT APPEARS TO THE DIRECTOR, BASED UPON CREDIBLE
23 EVIDENCE AS PRESENTED IN A WRITTEN COMPLAINT, THAT A PERSON IS
24 OPERATING OR OFFERING TO OPERATE A FANTASY CONTEST WITHOUT
25 HAVING OBTAINED A LICENSE, THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE AN ORDER TO
26 CEASE AND DESIST THE ACTIVITY. THE DIRECTOR SHALL SET FORTH IN THE
27 ORDER THE STATUTES AND RULES ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN VIOLATED, THE

1 FACTS ALLEGED TO HAVE CONSTITUTED THE VIOLATION, AND THE
2 REQUIREMENT THAT ALL UNLICENSED PRACTICES IMMEDIATELY CEASE.
3 WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THE ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST
4 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (2), THE PERSON MAY REQUEST A HEARING
5 ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER ACTS OR PRACTICES IN VIOLATION OF THIS
6 ARTICLE HAVE OCCURRED. THE HEARING SHALL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT
7 TO SECTION 24-4-105, C.R.S.

8 **12-15.5-110. Civil fines.** IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER REMEDY
9 PROVIDED BY LAW, A FANTASY CONTEST OPERATOR, OR AN EMPLOYEE OR
10 AGENT THEREOF, WHO VIOLATES THIS ARTICLE IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL FINE
11 OF NOT MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR EACH SUCH VIOLATION,
12 WHICH THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT TO THE GENERAL FUND. THE
13 DIRECTOR MAY FILE A CIVIL ACTION TO COLLECT THE FINE.

14 **12-15.5-111. Applicability.** THIS ARTICLE APPLIES TO CONDUCT
15 OCCURRING ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2017.

16 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date -**
17 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
18 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the
19 general assembly (August 10, 2016, if adjournment sine die is on May 11,
20 2016); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1
21 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section,
22 or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part
23 will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election
24 to be held in November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the
25 date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

26 (2) This act applies to conduct occurring on or after July 1, 2017.