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Location and Time of Public Meeting

## **Proposed Rule Cover Sheet**

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Arkansas Racing Commission will meet on Thursday, December 30, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. in the Commission office located at 1515 West Seventh Street, Suite 500, Little Rock, Arkansas, to consider the adoption of the following rule changes:

- (1) <u>Casino Gaming Rules 4.220 and 4.225</u>. The proposed amendments in these Rules allow sports wagering by persons physically present in the State of Arkansas but not necessarily present on the premises of the casino, as formerly required by the Casino Gaming Rules. The proposed amendments also delete the requirement that patrons personally appear before an employee of the casino prior to engaging in wagering through a wagering account.
- (2) <u>Casino Gaming Rule 6.030</u>. This proposed amendment requires that all license fees and renewal fees be deposited into the Commission Cash Fund for use in the regulation of casino gaming or racing in Arkansas. Other specified fees, fines and penalties are deposited in State of Arkansas general revenues.
- (3) <u>Casino Gaming Rule 20</u>. This proposed amendment allows off-casino-premises sports wagering for persons physically present in the State of Arkansas. This proposed amendment also prohibits a casino licensee from contracting with a sports wagering third-party vendor where the third-party vendor is paid a majority of the net gaming revenue from the online sports pool.
- (4) <u>Casino Gaming Rule 22</u>. This proposed amendment limits the acceptance of off-track pari-mutuel wagers to casino licensees approved by the Commission and defines communications technology and wagering instructions.
- (5) <u>Casino Gaming Rule 24</u>. This proposed amendment allows off-casino-premises sports wagering and account wagering to occur as long as the person placing the wager is physically present within the State of Arkansas.

Any persons wishing to speak for or against any of the above-proposed rule changes should appear at the meeting on December 30, 2021, at 11:00 a.m., and they will be given the opportunity to express their views. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the above-proposed rule changes should send them to the Arkansas Racing Commission, P.O. Box 3076, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203, or via email to <a href="mailto:smokey.campbell@dfa.arkansas.gov">smokey.campbell@dfa.arkansas.gov</a> and <a href="mailto:nikki.langston@dfa.arkansas.gov">nikki.langston@dfa.arkansas.gov</a>, prior to the close of business on Wednesday, December 29, 2021. Copies of the complete text of the proposed rule changes can be obtained from the Racing Commission office during normal business hours or from its website <a href="mailto:www.dfa.arkansas.gov/racing-commission">www.dfa.arkansas.gov/racing-commission</a>, and from the Secretary of State's office or its website <a href="mailto:www.sos.arkansas.gov/rules-regulations">www.sos.arkansas.gov/rules-regulations</a>.