



ILLINOIS GAMING BOARD

BOARD RESOLUTION TO DELEGATE CERTAIN AUTHORITY TO THE ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, the Illinois Gambling Act [230 ILCS 10/1, *et seq.*] establishes the Illinois Gaming Board ("the Board") appointed by the Governor and which has all powers necessary and proper to fully and effectively administer, regulate, and enforce the systems of riverboat and casino gambling, sports wagering, and video gaming; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Gambling Act is to benefit the people of the State of Illinois by assisting economic development, promoting Illinois tourism, and increasing the amount of revenues available to the State to assist and support education, and to defray State expenses; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Gambling Act empowers the Board to delegate any of its powers under the Act for the purpose of administering and enforcing the Act and rules, and to take any other action as may be reasonable or appropriate to enforce the Act and the rules adopted by the Board; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Gambling Act prescribes an Administrator for the Board and mandates that the Administrator shall perform any and all duties that the Board shall assign him or her; and,

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2020, the Board delegated certain powers to the Administrator due to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, through the delegation, the Administrator has dutifully and efficiently carried out the delegated powers to best address the constantly evolving needs of the State's gaming industry; and

WHEREAS, since June 11, 2020 the Board has continuously delegated certain powers to the Administrator, most recently in a February 6, 2025 Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Board's February 6, 2025 Resolution is set to expire at this meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board continues to find that the Administrator should exercise delegated authority to efficiently and expeditiously carry out the Board's powers;

THEREFORE, the Board finds that it is in the best interest of the State, its gaming industry, its citizens, and the overall efficacy of the Board to delegate and authorize the Administrator to exercise the following:

- 1) Approve all changes enumerated in Section 3000.230(d)(1) of the Board's rules;
- 2) Approve any pledge of an ownership interest when the pledge is used as collateral per Section 3000.235(b) of the Board's rules;
- 3) Approve changes of ownership under Section 3000.235(a) when the proposed owner is wholly under the control of an individual or entity who has been previously approved by the Board;

- 4) Approve authorized games for play by an owner's licensee under Section 3000.605 of the Board's rules;
- 5) Grant land-based gaming requests from owner's licensees per Section 7(e) of the Illinois Gambling Act;
- 6) Authorize an entity with a finding of preliminary suitability to hold any practice gaming session and issue a temporary operating permit after a successful final practice gaming session under Sections 3000.230 and 3000.540 of the Board's rules;
- 7) Approve requests to withdraw applications per Section 3000.220(e) of the Board's rules;
- 8) Approve petitions to surrender a supplier's license per Section 3000.244 of the Board's rules;
- 9) Issue licenses under the Illinois Gambling Act, the Video Gaming Act, and the Sports Wagering Act to all individuals and entities already licensed by the Board, and to make all suitability findings and approvals necessary thereto;
- 10) Issue Notices of Denial to all applicants who, after an appropriate investigation, Staff determined are prohibited by statute or rule from holding the license applied for;
- 11) Grant any request for hearing, and to grant leave to withdraw any hearing request granted;
- 12) Grant leave to reapply for a license;
- 13) Approve any transfer of ownership in Master Sports Wagering or Management Services Provider or pledge of an ownership interest in Master Sports Wagering or Management Services Provider as collateral per Section 1900.760 of the Board's rules;
- 14) Approve any proposed transaction per Section 1800.340(a) of the Board's rules;
- 15) Permit any petition filed under Section 1800.320(b) of the Board's rules to be withdrawn;
- 16) Issue a Final Board Order in any petition filed under Section 1800.320(b) of the Board's rules in instances when no exceptions to the Administrator's Recommended Decision were filed;
- 17) To issue video gaming licenses to pending location, terminal handler, technician, and sales agent applicants where no known concerns about an applicant's suitability for licensure are found after review and investigation of the subject applications; and
- 18) To approve proposed Key Persons which the Board has previously approved as Key Persons for another licensee.

This Resolution shall remain in effect until the first regular meeting of the Board in 2027, unless modified by Board.

Voted this 5th day of February 2026.

Dionne Hayden, Chairperson

Stephen Ferrara, Board Member

Sean Brannon, Board Member

Caleb Melamed, Board Member