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poker and other table games, lottery games, bingo or sports wagering. “Dual-currency system of payment” refers to the practice of using more than one system of coins or tokens to facilitate game play and is further defined in the law.

The law also provides that a person that operates or promotes an online sweepstakes game is subject to a fine of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000. It requires that all fines collected be distributed to the Gambling Addiction Prevention and Treatment Fund.

If a person is found to operate or promote an online sweepstakes game and that person holds a license with the Gambling Control Unit or Gambling Control Board within the Department of Public Safety to operate certain gambling activities, the licensing entity must revoke that license. A person that violates the online sweepstakes games prohibition is also ineligible to receive one of the licenses specified by law.

LD 2080 An Act to Protect Consumers by Prohibiting the Use of Credit Cards in Sports Wagering and Internet Gaming

Public Law 2025, chapter 628 prohibits an operator and a management services licensee conducting either sports wagering or Internet gaming on behalf of an operator from accepting wagers from a person using a credit card. The law also provides that, when adopting rules for the method of operation of sports wagering and Internet gaming and for the minimum design and security requirements for sports wagering and Internet gaming, the director of the Gambling Control Unit within the Department of Public Safety must ensure that a person does not use a credit card to make a wager.

LD 2095 An Act to Prohibit Bulk Purchasing of Tickets in Certain Lottery Games

Public Law 2025, chapter 605 prohibits a person or group of persons working together from making bulk purchases of lottery tickets or shares. It provides that the term “bulk purchase” means the purchase, in aggregate, of tickets or shares in a lottery game in an amount exceeding \$25,000. Public Law 2025, chapter 605 provides that the State Liquor and Lottery Commission may refuse payment of a prize for a winning ticket or share that was purchased as part of a bulk purchase. It requires the commission to adopt rules related to bulk purchasing. The law also authorizes the Director of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to suspend or revoke a person’s license to sell lottery tickets if the person knowingly sells tickets or shares to a person attempting to make a bulk purchase. These provisions do not apply to the Tri-state Lotto Compact.

Public Law 2025, chapter 605 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 3, 2026.