

## PA Gaming Control Board Fines iGaming Manufacturer for Unauthorized Access to Live Studio

Board also took action on three adults for gambling at casinos while leaving minors unattended

**HARRISBURG, PA:** The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board ("Board") approved a consent agreement today presented by the Board's Office of Enforcement Counsel ("OEC") during its public meeting resulting in a fine of \$7,500 against Evolution US, LLC for permitting an unauthorized person to gain access to its live dealer studio in Philadelphia.

The fine was levied after an unidentified male was able to enter various locations within the Evolution studio suite including a dressing area for employees. The approved Consent Agreement containing additional details on the incident are available upon request through the Board's Office of Communications.

The Board also acted to ban three adults from all casinos in the Commonwealth for leaving minors unattended in order to engage in gaming activities:

- A male patron was placed on the Involuntary Exclusion List after leaving a 13-year-old unattended in a vehicle while the outside temperature was 92 degrees in the parking lot of Live! Casino and Hotel Philadelphia for 39 minutes while he gambled in the sportsbook;
- A male patron was placed on the Involuntary Exclusion List after leaving two minors of ages 12 and 13 unattended in a running vehicle while the outside temperature was 87 degrees in the parking lot of Live! Casino and Hotel Philadelphia for 31 minutes while he gambled at a slot machine; and,
- A female patron was placed on the Involuntary Exclusion List after leaving four minors of ages 3, 6, 7 and 10 unattended in a running vehicle while the outside temperature was 86 degrees in the parking garage of Harrah's Philadelphia Casino & Racetrack in Delaware County for 25 minutes whiles she gambled at a slot machine and patronized the food court.

Actions such as these to deny statewide gambling privileges serve as a reminder that adults are prohibited from leaving minors unattended in the parking lot or garage, a hotel, or other venues at a casino since it creates a potentially unsafe and dangerous environment for the children. To compliment the efforts by casinos to mitigate this issue, the Board created an awareness campaign, "Don't Gamble with Kids".

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 18, 2024 in the Board's Public Hearing Room located on the second floor of the Strawberry Square Complex in Harrisburg.

About the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board is tasked to oversee all aspects of gambling involving 17 land-based casinos, online casino games, retail and online sports wagering, and Video Gaming Terminals (VGTs) at qualified truck stops, along with the regulation of online fantasy sports contests.

The land-based casino industry in Pennsylvania consists of six racetrack (Category 1) casinos, five stand-alone (Category 2) casinos, two resort (Category 3) casinos and four mini-casinos (Category 4). A significant job generator in the Commonwealth, casinos and the other types of Board-regulated gaming generated \$2.54 billion in tax revenue in Fiscal Year 2023/24.

Additional information about both the PGCB's gaming regulatory efforts and Pennsylvania's gaming industry can be found at **gamingcontrolboard.pa.gov**.

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