

Legislative Updates: iGaming

State	Current Status	Key Dates	iDEA Engagement / Opportunities
ILLINOIS	<p>Lawmakers have committed to introduce iGaming legislation for the upcoming session. The state-regulated VGT industry continues to oppose iGaming and has influence with the legislature. However, one of the larger VGT operators is now an owner of a Racino and would be positioned to capitalize on iGaming.</p> <p>There is also discussion of a compromise iGaming bill, which would be limited to poker and table games, removing slot games which are viewed competitively by the VGTs.</p> <p>We also expect legislation related to the regulation of DFS to be introduced this session.</p>	<p>Session Starts: 01/08/25</p> <p>Adjourns: 05/31/25</p>	<p>iDEA is engaging with stakeholders and lawmakers ahead of the upcoming session. We have not engaged a lobbyist in the state.</p>
LOUISIANA	<p>iDEA is testifying at the Louisiana Senate Committee hearing on iGaming on December 11.</p> <p>We have coordinated with other stakeholders to ensure consistency in messages that will be delivered by industry at the hearing.</p> <p>This meeting should be considered an initial introduction to the issue and will help set the stage for future iGaming discussions.</p>	<p>Dec. 11 - Louisiana Senate Committee i-Gaming Hearing</p> <p>Session Starts - 04/14/25</p> <p>Session Adjourns - 16/12/25</p>	<p>iDEA testimony will be limited next week, and will focus primarily on the existing regulatory and compliance structure that is in place in LA for sports betting that can be leveraged for iGaming. We will also be sharing our studies around cannibalization, NERA rebuttal, etc.</p>
MARYLAND	<p>Legislation will again be introduced to authorize iGaming. Del. Atterbeary, who successfully passed her bill out of the House last year will again champion the measure. She has indicated that she intends to pass the same bill, but is willing to work</p>	<p>Session Starts - 01/08/25</p> <p>Adjourns - 04/07/25</p>	<p>iDEA is engaging with key lawmakers and building out messaging materials to help advance legislation this year.</p>

	<p>with the Senate on changes they would make.</p> <p>The Senate President has not committed to support legislation this year, however, their continues to be growing budget pressures for the state and few areas where new revenues are available.</p> <p>We have actively engaged the Governor's office as well to secure his active support for iGaming as a budget item.</p> <p>Based on our conversations, Cordish (a casino property owner in MD) is still firmly opposed to iGaming expansion.</p> <p>Of note, if a bill passed in 2025 that required a ballot referendum, it would not go to the voters until 2026. There have been discussions on how to legally remove the ballot requirement, but there is no resolution to that matter.</p>		
<p>NEW YORK</p>	<p>Senator Addabbo will be filing an iGaming bill again this session. Two major obstacles persist. The licensing of the downstate casinos is still far from happening, and will make it difficult to authorize iGaming, until there is more clarity on this process. Also, the hotel workers trade union continues to oppose iGaming, however, there continues to be negotiations to see if there are ways to divert iGaming revenue to support the labor union and get them away from opposing the bill.</p>	<p>Session Starts - 01/08/25</p> <p>Adjourns - 06/13/25</p>	<p>iDEA will monitor developments and continue our engagement with Senator Addabbo and other key lawmakers.</p>
<p>WYOMING</p>	<p>The state gaming commission releases a study that looks at possible gaming expansion in the state, including iGaming. The study conducted by Spectrum Gaming, presents positive data about the</p>	<p>Dec 1 - engagement with local lobbyist begins.</p>	<p>iDEA plans to be directly involved in Wyoming to help educate lawmakers and secure support for iGaming.</p>

	<p>impact of online gaming for the state. More info about the study can be found on the Member Portal.</p> <p>We expect iGaming legislation to be considered during the upcoming session.</p>	<p>Jan 14 – legislative session begins</p> <p>End of March – Session adjourns.</p>	
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Legislative Updates: Sports Betting

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GEORGIA	<p>The state will be a leading contender to pass a bill in 2025. Recently, the chairman of the lead house committee on this issue wrote an op-ed urging his fellow Republican lawmakers to support in this upcoming session.</p> <p>A law passed by the legislature would need to be ratified by the voters via a ballot referendum.</p>	<p>Session Starts: 01/13/25</p> <p>Adjourns: 04/03/25</p>	<p>iDEA will continue to monitor activity.</p>
MINNESOTA	<p>At the end of the 2024 legislative session, there was a deal in place with stakeholders on a sports betting bill.</p> <p>We expect continued conversations and legislative action on sports betting to take place in Minnesota in 2025. Tribes have expressed an interest in getting a sports betting bill across the finish line.</p> <p>With the Legislature pretty much split 50/50, Republicans and Democrats, any sports betting bill that passes will need bipartisan support.</p>	<p>Session Start – 01/14/25</p> <p>Session Adjourns – 05/19/25</p>	<p>iDEA will continue to monitor the activity of the Minnesota Legislature.</p>

<p>MISSISSIPPI</p>	<p>At the end of the 2024 legislative session, a sports betting bill died in a legislative conference committee when the conference committee members from the House and the Senate couldn't come to an agreement. We expect legislative action on sports betting in the 2025 legislative session.</p> <p>Some of the state's land-based casinos have been the biggest opponents to online sports expansion.</p>	<p>Session Starts – 01/07/25</p> <p>Adjourns – 04/04/25</p>	<p>iDEA will continue to monitor the activity of the Mississippi Legislature.</p>
<p>NEBRASKA</p>	<p>Legislation was considered earlier this year, but did not pass. The Governor has expressed his support for mobile sports betting revenue to be used for property tax reduction.</p> <p>We anticipate bills will again be considered in the early part of 2025.</p>	<p>Session Starts: 01/08/25</p> <p>Adjourns: 05/31/25</p>	<p>iDEA will be monitoring legislative activity.</p>
<p>TEXAS</p>	<p>In the last session (2023) the Texas House approved sports betting bill, however it was killed in the Senate where it was not supported by Texas Lt. Governor Dan Patrick.</p> <p>While we expect sports betting legislation to be considered in the upcoming 2025 legislative session, Lt. Governor Patrick remains in office and has said he will not move off his opposition until a majority of Republican Senators come out in support of it.</p> <p>Further complicating the situation is the push to legalize land-based casinos. This has even less support than sports betting, however, some businesses who are advocating for it have said they</p>	<p>Session Starts: 01/14/25</p> <p>Adjourns: 06/02/25</p>	<p>iDEA will continue to monitor the activity of the Texas Legislature.</p>

	would actively oppose sports betting, if casino legislation does not also advance.		
WISCONSIN	The tribes in Wisconsin have expressed interest in offering state-wide mobile sports betting. There could be a legislative and/or administrative strategy (negotiation of compacts) during 2025.	Session Starts: 01/07.25 Adjourns; December 2025	iDEA will continue to monitor the activity of the Wisconsin legislature.

iDEA Regulatory Advocacy

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MISSOURI	<p>The law was certified by the Secretary of State and we do not anticipate a call for a recount.</p> <p>We understand that the gaming regulator is already working on draft rules, but has said that launch is not expected until Summer of 2025.</p>	<p>12/17 – Deadline to request recount</p> <p>Early 2025 – Release of draft regulations (est.)</p> <p>Spring 2025 – applications and license review process (est)</p> <p>Summer 2025 – Market launch</p>	<p>iDEA is engaging with the Missouri Gaming Commission to ensure our member company perspectives are heard during the regulatory process.</p>
MARYLAND	<p>On Monday, the rules to prohibit promo deductions for sports betting and retail casinos were published in the Maryland Register. This opens a 30 day comment window.</p> <p>We understand that lawmakers intend to put a hold on these rules in the new year, which will delay, but not guaranteed to eliminate the proposals.</p>	<p>01/02 – comment deadline on rules published on 12/02</p>	<p>iDEA is monitoring these regulatory developments and will continue to update membership.</p> <p>We are evaluating the published rules to determine whether we will comment.</p>