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Re: Concerns with SB 377: AAC Occupational Licensing

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This testimony is submitted in connection with SB 377: An Act Concerning Occupational Licensing. The CT Lottery Corporation is concerned that the bill as currently drafted is overly broad and may have unintended adverse effects on the existing licensing process vis-à-vis the CT Lottery.

At present, over 2800 CT retail partners are licensed, and this includes over 2000 small businesses. In addition, all of largest lottery vendors and some of their employees are licensed, as are all of the CT Lottery employees, including those in management and in the bargaining units. The current regulatory licensing process successfully supports over \$1.1 billion in lottery sales and over \$312 million in transfers to the General Fund annually.

The language as drafted requires that regulations be promulgated regarding “uniform standards” for licensing, but “uniform standards” is not defined. The CT Lottery welcomes and supports a more business-friendly approach, but more information is needed on this bill to ensure that goal would be met.