

States

Correction from last month: Maine's legislature did not override its Governor's veto of a sports gambling bill. Therefore, Maine has not authorized sports gambling.

Virginia's Legislature passed a sports gambling bill on March 8, 2020. The bill authorizes state-wide mobile/online betting and additional retail locations. The bill prohibits betting on in-state colleges, requires official league data for in-game wagering, and sets a 15 percent tax rate on gross gambling revenues. The state lottery will be the regulator if the bill is signed by the state's governor.

Commercial casinos in Michigan and Illinois are expected to open retail sportsbooks the week of March 9th. Additionally, Montana Lottery is expected to launch its sports gambling kiosks and on-site mobile product this week. The timing for these openings is meant to capture the large wagering market that occurs during the NCAA men's basketball tournament or "March Madness" that starts next week.

Currently, Arkansas, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, New Hampshire, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and West Virginia currently offer opportunities for regulated sports gambling, including land-based and online offerings.

Additionally, Colorado, Montana, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Washington, D.C. have authorized sports gambling and all look to begin operations in 2020.

I have attached a 2019 year-end summary that I provided to the Senate Ways and Means Committee nearly two weeks ago. This is a substitute for my monthly state-by state breakdown in this report. I will pick up my monthly breakdown in April.

Tribal Governments

William Hill announced that it has secured a market access agreement with the Michigan Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. The Tribes have two possible locations for sportsbooks in Michigan and the agreement will be for the Tribes' retail and online sportsbook operations.

Commercial Operators

FanDuel announced an agreement with MotorCity Casino in Detroit to be the casino's retail and online sportsbook operator.