

#### 99G.40 Audits and reports — lottery fund.

1. To ensure the financial integrity of the lottery, the department shall do all of the following:

a. Submit quarterly and annual reports to the governor, state auditor, and the general assembly disclosing the total lottery revenues, prize disbursements, and other expenses of the department under [this chapter](#) during the reporting period. The fourth quarter report shall be included in the annual report made pursuant to [this section](#). The annual report shall include a complete statement of lottery revenues, prize disbursements, and other expenses, and recommendations for changes in the law that the director deems necessary or desirable for purposes of [this chapter](#). The annual report shall be submitted within one hundred twenty days after the close of the fiscal year. The director shall report immediately to the governor, the treasurer of state, and the general assembly any matters that require immediate changes in the law in order to prevent abuses or evasions of [this chapter](#) or rules adopted or to rectify undesirable conditions in connection with the administration or operation of the lottery.

b. Maintain weekly or more frequent records of lottery transactions, including the distribution of tickets or shares to retailers, revenues received, claims for prizes, prizes paid, prizes forfeited, and other financial transactions of the department under [this chapter](#).

c. The department shall deposit in the lottery fund created in [subsection 2](#) any moneys received by retailers from the sale of tickets or shares less the amount of any compensation due the retailers. The director may require licensees to file with the department reports of receipts and transactions in the sale of tickets or shares. The reports shall be in the form and contain the information the director requires.

2. A lottery fund is created in the office of the treasurer of state and shall exist as the recipient fund for department receipts under [this chapter](#). The fund consists of all revenues received from the sale of lottery tickets or shares and all other moneys lawfully credited or transferred to the fund. The director shall certify before the last day of the month following each quarter that portion of the lottery fund resulting from the previous quarter's sales to be transferred to the general fund of the state. The director shall certify quarterly that portion of the fund that has been transferred to the general fund of the state under [this chapter](#) and shall cause that portion to be transferred to the general fund of the state within forty-five days following the end of the quarter. However, upon the request of the director and subject to the approval by the treasurer of state, an amount sufficient to cover the foreseeable administrative expenses of the lottery for a period of twenty-one days may be retained from the lottery fund. Prior to the quarterly transfer to the general fund of the state, the director may direct that lottery revenue shall be deposited in the lottery fund and in interest-bearing accounts designated by the treasurer of state. Interest or earnings paid on the deposits or investments is considered lottery revenue and shall be transferred to the general fund of the state in the same manner as other lottery revenue.

3. The activities of the division shall be audited as part of the audit of the department by the auditor of state or a certified public accounting firm appointed by the auditor. The auditor of state or a designee conducting an audit of the activities of the division under [this chapter](#) shall have access and authority to examine any and all records of licensees necessary to determine compliance with [this chapter](#) and the rules adopted pursuant to [this chapter](#). The cost of audits and examinations conducted by the auditor of state or a designee shall be paid as provided in [chapter 11](#).

2003 Acts, ch 178, §93, 121; 2003 Acts, ch 179, §109, 142; 2004 Acts, ch 1009, §1; 2010 Acts, ch 1069, §12; 2023 Acts, ch 19, §2347; 2025 Acts, ch 12, §15, 16

Referred to in §99G.39

Subsection 2 amended

Subsection 3 stricken and former subsection 4 renumbered as 3