**§3141-A. Setoff of fines against lottery winnings**

The State Court Administrator appointed pursuant to Title 4, section 15 shall provide the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations, referred to in this subsection as "the bureau," access to an electronic database of all persons who owe a monetary fine, surcharge or assessment imposed by a court to the State under this Title. Before paying any lottery winnings of an amount equal to or greater than the amount for which the bureau is required to file a Form W-2G or substantially equivalent form with the United States Internal Revenue Service, the bureau shall determine whether the lottery winner owes a monetary fine, surcharge or assessment imposed by a court to the State under this Title. If the bureau determines that the winner owes a monetary fine, surcharge or assessment imposed by a court, the bureau shall suspend payment of the winnings and provide notice to the winner of its intention to set off the winnings against the monetary fine, surcharge or assessment owed. The bureau shall provide the winnings due to the winner to the State Court Administrator in payment of any monetary fine, surcharge or assessment owed by the winner under this Title. The bureau shall release any remaining winnings in accordance with state law. [PL 2021, c. 543, §1 (AMD).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 2019, c. 304, §2 (NEW). PL 2021, c. 543, §1 (AMD).

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