

State of Louisiana

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION NUMBER 172 JBE 2021

AMENDMENT TO STATE OF EMERGENCY – HURRICANE IDA

- WHEREAS,** pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. R.S. 29:721, *et seq.*, a state of emergency was declared through Proclamation Number 165 JBE 2020;
- WHEREAS,** Hurricane Ida made landfall on the Louisiana coast as a major hurricane on Sunday, August 29, 2021, bringing devastating winds, widespread power-outages, and severe damage to Louisiana;
- WHEREAS,** the damage resulting from Hurricane Ida poses a threat to citizens and communities in the storm's path and has created conditions which place lives and property in the state in jeopardy;
- WHEREAS,** many of the licensees of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board in the most heavily affected parishes are still without power, unable to fully assess the damage done to their equipment and businesses, and having difficulty in communicating with the State;
- WHEREAS,** it is necessary for the Chairman of the Gaming Control Board to delay the withdrawal of the franchise payment due for devices due under La. 27:435(D) from licensees until a time when the licensees are able to fully assess losses and communicate such to the State; and
- WHEREAS,** La. R.S. 29:724 authorizes the governor during a declared state of emergency to suspend the provisions of any state regulatory statute prescribing procedures for conducting state business, or the orders, rules or regulations of any state agency, if strict compliance with the provision of any statute, order, rule, or regulation would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Chairman of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board is hereby authorized and directed to delay the withdrawal of the franchise payment due under La. R.S. 27:435(D) for up to 30 days.

SECTION 2: Unless otherwise provided in this order, these provisions are effective from Thursday, September 9, 2021 to Saturday, October 9, 2021, or as extended by any subsequent Proclamation, unless terminated sooner.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 9th day of September, 2021.


GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE**


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