<u>Expansion of DLL criminal background check authority re: Liquor Control and Lottery licenses</u>

7 V.S.A. § 215 added to read:

<u>§ 215. Authority for criminal background checks</u>

<u>Subject to the approval of the Board, the Commissioner shall establish a user agreement with the Vermont Crime Information Center in accordance with 20 V.S.A. chapter 117 for the purpose of obtaining Vermont criminal history records, out-of-state criminal history records, and criminal history records from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to review applications for any liquor or tobacco license issued under this title.</u>

31 V.S.A. § 655 amended to read:

§ 655. Duties of the Commissioner

   (a) The State Lottery shall be under the immediate supervision and direction of the Commissioner of Liquor and Lottery.

   (b) The Commissioner shall:

      (1) Supervise and administer the operation of the Lottery within the rules adopted by the Board of Liquor and Lottery.

      (2) Subject to the approval of the Board, enter into contracts necessary for the proper creation, administration, operation, modification, and promotion of the State Lottery or any part of the Lottery. These contracts shall not be assignable.

      <u>(3) Subject to the approval of the Board, establish a user agreement with the Vermont Crime Information Center in accordance with 20 V.S.A. chapter 117 for the purpose of obtaining Vermont criminal history records, out-of-state criminal history records, and criminal history records from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to review applications for any Lottery sales agent license issued under this title.</u>

      (~~3~~)(4) License sales agents and suspend or revoke any license in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and the rules of the Board.

      (~~4~~)(5) Act as Secretary to the Board, but as a nonvoting member of the Board.

      (~~5~~)(6) Employ professional and secretarial staff as necessary to carry out the functions of the Division of the Lottery. 3 V.S.A. chapter 13 shall apply to employees of the Division.

      (~~6~~)(7) Annually prepare a budget and submit it to the Board.