

Attorney General Maura Healey
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Dear Attorney General Healey:

I am writing to you to address the recent proposition 940 CMR 34.00, created to regulate Fantasy Sports. To preface all of this, let me just state that I am currently a 17 year old who has a love for sports of all kinds and have been playing non-monetary fantasy sports with my friends for the past few years and have been looking forward to being able to play Daily Fantasy next year. I think it is excellent that we are finally getting some form of regulation on companies like Fanduel and Draftkings who have an untapped monopoly on the fantasy sports market and can easily exploit newer players. However, with that being said, I disagree with the idea that the minimum age to play should be increased from 18 to 21.

My rationale for opposing this change is that the reason that it is meant to protect adults from losing their money gambling. However, adults are still allowed to play the Mass. Lottery, which is certainly gambling. By that logic, adults in Massachusetts shouldn't be allowed to play the lottery until the age of 21 as well. It seems unfair to me that at the age of 18 can be drafted away to go fight in the army, yet not be allowed to put a dollar or two bet on his favorite football players.

If the idea of those aged 18-20 gambling away an irresponsible amount of money is so much of a concern, why not simply put a cash limit on deposits (Such as a \$50 maximum every month) to those under 21 instead of banning it right away? This significantly lowers the risk of damages against those who may not be as responsible with their money as others. Hopefully you all will take these ideas into consideration

Signed,
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