

TITLE 4: ECONOMIC RESOURCES
DIVISION 2: TOURISM

§ 2335. Enforcement.

(a) The Division of Enforcement and Investigations, a division of the Commonwealth Casino Commission, and any other inspector, agent or employee of the Commission appointed by the Executive Director shall have the primary responsibility and authority to enforce the provisions of the gambling and gaming laws of the Commonwealth and the regulations promulgated thereunder. This authority shall be concurrent with the authority of any other law enforcement agency as provided by law.

(b) Any agent, inspector or other person who is trained and authorized by the Executive Director of the Commonwealth Casino Commission to enforce the provisions of: the casino and gambling laws or gaming laws of the Commonwealth; and the regulations promulgated thereunder may:

- (1) Arrest any person, if there exists probable cause to believe that such person committed an act in violation of the casino, gambling or gaming laws and regulations of the Commonwealth;
- (2) Seize any evidence related to any violation of any provision of the casino, gaming, or gambling laws and regulations of the Commonwealth;
- (3) Execute any warrant or other process issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(c) If the Commonwealth Casino Commission enters into a mutual agreement with any other casino or gaming commission established by local law or referendum within the CNMI which provides for the rendering of assistance, any agent, inspector or other person who is authorized by the Executive Director of the Commonwealth Casino Commission to enforce the provisions of the casino, gaming, and gambling laws of the Commonwealth, and the regulations promulgated thereunder may assist the other local commission in the enforcement of the local laws and regulations promulgated thereunder both in the Third Senatorial District and the senatorial district in which the requesting commission is located. Such assistance is hereby declared to be within the scope of the Casino Commission agent's jurisdiction and duties as a law enforcement officer of the Commonwealth.

(d) If the Commonwealth Casino Commission enters into a mutual agreement with any other law enforcement agency which provides for the rendering of assistance, any agent who is authorized by the Executive Director of the Commonwealth Casino Commission to enforce the provisions of the casino, gaming, and gambling laws of the Commonwealth, and the regulations promulgated thereunder may assist the other law enforcement agency in the enforcement of the laws and regulations enforced by the other law enforcement agency in the other agency's jurisdiction within or without the Third Senatorial District. Such assistance is hereby declared to be within the scope of the Casino Commission agent's jurisdiction and duties as a law enforcement officer of the Commonwealth.

Source: PL 21-38 § 24 (Jan. 7, 2021).

TITLE 4: ECONOMIC RESOURCES
DIVISION 2: TOURISM

Commission Comment: See also, Commission comment to 4 CMC § 2305.