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**ATTORNEY GENERAL ANNOUNCES SETTLEMENT WITH FANTASY SPORTS
COMPANIES TO CEASE THEIR OPERATIONS IN ALABAMA**

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Luther Strange today announced that DraftKings and FanDuel have each entered into a settlement with the State of Alabama to cease operations in the state effective May 2, 2016.

“I am pleased to report that fantasy sports operators DraftKings and FanDuel have complied with my order that they halt paid contests within the State of Alabama,” said Attorney General Strange.

“As Attorney General, it is my duty to uphold Alabama law, including the laws against illegal gambling. The daily fantasy sports operations violate state law because a player stakes something of value on a contest of chance in order to win a prize. While there is a measure of skill involved in creating a fantasy sports roster, in the end contestants have no control over the performance of the players on their rosters. This activity is illegal under Alabama law.”

After Attorney General Strange sent cease and desist letters to DraftKings and FanDuel on April 5, both companies have agreed to block access from Alabama IP addresses to their contest web sites.

Additionally, DraftKings and FanDuel must process user requests from Alabama-based IP addresses to withdraw their account balances within seven business days of receiving such requests.

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