CLAIMS

1. A wager game supporting system providing facilities for:

A. automated processing of a wager gaming player's application for an advance of money or value for use in wager gaming in exchange for charging a transaction fee for the advance of money or value;

B. automated displaying to the wager gaming player of a balance available to the player of the advance of money or value for use in playing the wager game; and

C. automated predetermined control of the wager gaming player use of the advance of money or value, including automated preventing of the wager gaming player from cashing out or transferring of the advance of money or value.

2. The wager game supporting system of claim 1 also providing facilities for:

D. after passage of a predetermined period of time from the advance of money or value or occurrence of the exchange in step A, automated paying down of the advance of money or value.

3. The wager game supporting system of claim 2 wherein the automated paying down of the advance of money or value includes automated charging against a source of credit or funds provided by, or on behalf of, the wager game player.

4. The wager game supporting system of claim 1 also providing facilities for:

(D) automated monitoring of the wager gaming player's use of the advance of money or value; and

(E) automated issuing a predetermined notice when the automated monitoring identifies use of the advance of money or value exceeding a predetermined use threshold.

5. The wager game supporting system of claim 2 also providing facilities for:

(E) automated monitoring of the wager gaming player's use of the advance of money or value; and

(F) automated issuing a predetermined notice when the automated monitoring identifies use of the advance of money or value exceeding a predetermined use threshold.

6. The wager game supporting system of claim 3 also providing facilities for:

(E) automated monitoring of the wager gaming player's use of the advance of money or value; and

(F) automated issuing a predetermined notice when the automated monitoring identifies use of the advance of money or value exceeding a predetermined use threshold.

7. The wager supporting system of claim 1 also providing facilities for:

D. automated third party purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

8. The wager supporting system of claim 2 also providing facilities for:

E. automated purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

9. The wager supporting system of claim 3 also providing facilities for:

E. automated purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

10. The wager supporting system of claim 4 also providing facilities for:

G. automated purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

10. The wager supporting system of claim 5 also providing facilities for:

G. automated purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

11. The wager supporting system of claim 6 also providing facilities for:

G. automated third party purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

12. A wager game supporting method comprising:

A. processing of a wager gaming player's application for an advance of money or value for use in wager gaming in exchange for deducting a transaction fee from the advance of money or value;

B. displaying to the wager gaming player of a balance available to the player of the advance of money or value for use in playing the wager game; and

C. predetermined control of the wager gaming player use of the advance of money or value, including preventing of the wager gaming player from cashing out or transferring of the advance of money or value.

13. The wager game supporting method of claim 12 also including:

D. after passage of a predetermined period of time from the advance of money or value or occurrence of the exchange in step B, paying down of the advance of money or value.

14. The wager game supporting method of claim 14 wherein the paying down of the advance of money or value includes charging against a source of credit or funds provided by, or on behalf of, the wager game player.

15. The wager game supporting method of claim 12 also providing facilities for:

(D) monitoring of the wager gaming player's use of the advance of money or value; and

(E) issuing a predetermined notice when the monitoring identifies use of the advance of money or value exceeding a predetermined use threshold.

16. The wager game supporting system of claim 14 also a providing facilities for::

(E) automated monitoring of the wager gaming player's use of the advance of money or value; and

(F) automated issuing a predetermined notice when the automated monitoring identifies use of the advance of money or value exceeding a predetermined use threshold.

17. The wager supporting method of claim 12 also providing facilities for:

D. purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

18. The wager supporting system of claim 13 also providing facilities for:

E. purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

19. The wager supporting system of claim 14 also providing facilities for:

E. purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.

20. The wager supporting system of claim 14 also providing facilities for:

E. purchasing of at least a portion of the advance of money or value provided to the wager gaming player.