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Ohio wants U.S. Supreme Court hearing on ‘prediction markets’

Metastatic breast cancer projected to increase as treatments become more expensive.

At question is whether states or feds should regulate sport betting.

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Helen Tolliver, after surviving cancer twice, knows where to put her faith. “Weeping may come in the night, but the joy comes in the morning,” said Tolliver, a lifelong Springfield resident. “If you hold on to your faith and you hold on to God and the hope and stay positive, you’ll see the end of the journey.”

Tolliver was diagnosed with melanoma and breast cancer in late 2020, and after going through surgery, 12 weeks of chemotherapy and six weeks of radiation, she was able to ring the bell in the lobby of the Mercy Health – Springfield Cancer Center after her last treatment in March 2022, which marks the end of a patient’s cancer treatment.

It wouldn’t be her last time ringing the bell, though. Doctors still kept close watch of Tolliver, including alternating between regular mammograms and MRI testing due to having dense tissue, which makes it difficult for mammograms to detect cancers. During her last MRI, doctors found she had another type of breast cancer.

“It’s a tough journey,” said Tolliver, who went through surgery and chemotherapy again to become cancer-free by September of this year. “I’m here to pay it forward.”

Tolliver, other breast cancer survivors, and doctors encourage regular breast cancer screenings as it not only improves chances of surviving, but treatments may be easier, too.

“When you catch a cancer very early, especially breast cancer, you can cure it,” said Dr. Jyothi Challa, a medical oncologist and hematology specialist practicing at

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A bipartisan coalition of 39 states led by Ohio’s attorney general has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to step into a growing legal dispute involving sports gambling on prediction markets, and whether states – or a federal agency – should be allowed to regulate those bets.

“Prediction markets say that classic sports bets – things like whether Joe Burrow throws three touchdowns or Ohio State beats Michigan – are not bets at all,” Ohio Attorney General Andy Wilson argued in a written brief submitted to the Supreme Court.

Instead, companies like Kalshi and Polymarket contend that sports prediction “contracts” are actually “swaps” as defined by federal law – and that they should be overseen by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, not any individual states.

“The prediction markets are wrong,” Wilson countered in the Ohio brief. “States have held the traditional power over sports gambling since this country’s beginning.”

Wilson’s message arrived at the U.S. Supreme Court about the same time as a legal missive from the most powerful sports organization in the United States – the National Football League – which argues that individual states are the rightful regulators of sports gambling.

“Billions of dollars will be bet on NFL games through prediction markets each season, and any delay from the Court will result in increasing consumer harm and risk to game integrity,” NFL lawyers wrote.

The NFL backed a Sept. 25 ruling by the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, which found that Kalshi was wrongly getting around Ohio gaming laws by allowing people to gamble by entering into “event contracts”

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Helen Tolliver, of Springfield, shares gratitude Wednesday, Oct. 7, while talking about how doctors and medical professionals at the Mercy Health-Springfield Cancer Center helped her cope with breast cancer. JOSEPH COOKE / STAFF



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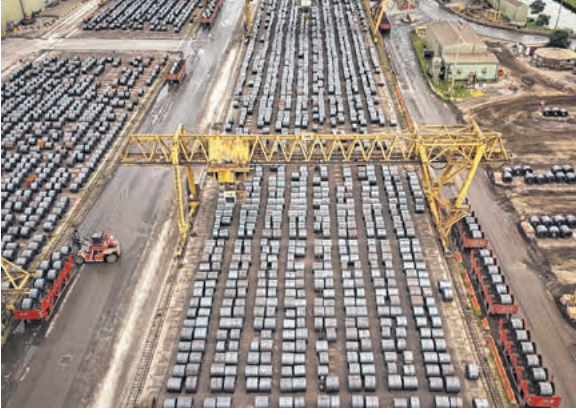
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Last year, Vandermeer’s premonition came true in a very personal way. The 62-year-old lost his job as a product designer at Howard Miller, a clockmaker that relied on parts produced overseas. After a century in business, the company in Zeeland, Michigan, closed its factory, sold off its inventory and brand name and laid off nearly 200 workers.

“So much for bringing jobs back,” Vandermeer said. Next month, he

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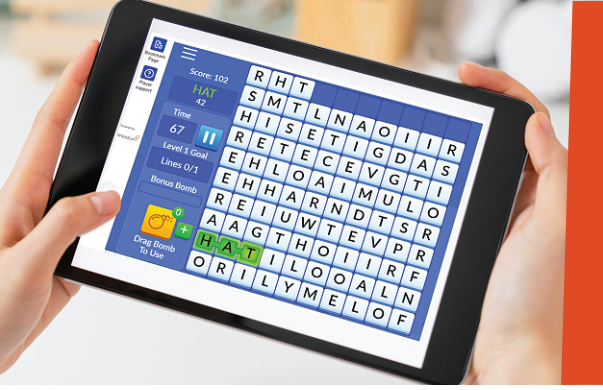
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