

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Corrects the name of the fund from which transfers to counties from video lottery games are distributed. Changes the reference from the State Lottery Fund to the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Contradiction in statute
- Reflection of current transfer process

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: A conflict currently exists in the statutes that govern the distribution process for video lottery monies. Current law (ORS 461.547) requires money earned from video lottery games to be paid to counties through the State Lottery Fund. However, another statute (ORS 461.544) states that the earnings from video lottery games must be deposited in the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund. HB 2279 resolves the conflict by requiring that video lottery revenue be deposited in the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund and then distributed to counties, which reflects the current funds transfer process.