

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2355 - A

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Measure Description:

Modifies method for determining amount of lottery proceeds to be allocated to Problem Gambling Treatment Fund in fiscal quarter.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

House Bill 2355 A- Engrossed modifies the method for determining the amount of lottery proceeds to be allocated to the Problem Gambling Treatment Fund. Current law allocates not less than one percent of the moneys transferred to the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund each fiscal quarter to the Problem Gambling Treatment Fund. Beginning with the fifth fiscal quarter of the 2013-15 biennium, this bill allocates either one percent of the moneys transferred to the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund in that fiscal quarter to the Problem Gambling Treatment Fund of the moneys transferred, or one percent of the of the moneys transferred to the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund during the same fiscal quarter of the 2011-13 biennium to the Problem Gambling Treatment Fund, whichever is greater.

Passage of this bill could potentially impact the revenue of the Problem Gambling Treatment Fund and the expenditures of programs administered by the Oregon Health Authority for the prevention and treatment of gambling addiction and other emotional and behavioral problems related to gambling. However, the amount of the impact cannot be predicted at this time. In biennia in which the lottery revenue increases, the Problem Gambling Treatment Fund would receive the current one percent allocation. In biennia in which lottery revenue decreases, the fund would receive the amount equal to the amount allocated in the same fiscal quarter of the 2011-13 biennium. Overall, it is expected that the revenue received under this bill would be equal to or more than revenue received under the current allocation formula.

Note that to the extent that more revenue is allocated to the Problem Gambling Treatment Fund, there would be less revenue available for other Lottery-funded programs.