

House Bill 4040

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Oregon State Lottery Commission to balance its obligation to maximize net revenues with its obligation to serve public good.

Requires lottery commission to adopt comprehensive responsible gaming policy that integrates consideration of responsible playing of games of chance into lottery operations.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Oregon State Lottery; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 461.200.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 461.200 is amended to read:

461.200. (1) *[Within 105 days after the confirmation by the Senate of the Director of the Oregon State Lottery and at least three commissioners, the director shall begin public sales of tickets or shares.]* The Oregon State Lottery shall be *[initiated and shall continue to be]* operated so as to produce the maximum amount of net revenues to benefit the public purpose described in *[section 4,]* Article XV, **section 4**, of the **Oregon** Constitution *[of the State of Oregon]*, commensurate with the public good. **To achieve this mission, in the operation of the Oregon State Lottery, the Oregon State Lottery Commission shall balance its obligation to maximize net revenues with its obligation to serve the public good through activities and choices that:**

(a) Inform users of lottery games of the potential risk for abuse of games of chance; and

(b) Address and encourage responsible use of lottery games.

(2) Other state government departments, boards, commissions, agencies and their officers shall cooperate with the lottery commission so as to aid the lottery commission in fulfilling these objectives.

SECTION 2. Section 3 of this 2014 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 461.

SECTION 3. (1) **For games of chance operated as lottery games, the Oregon State Lottery Commission shall adopt a comprehensive responsible gaming policy. The policy must integrate consideration of responsible playing of games of chance into the operation of the Oregon State Lottery to ensure the integrity, security, honesty and fairness of the lottery games and the associated marketing practices and retail operation of the lottery games.**

(2) To develop the policy described in subsection (1) of this section, the lottery commission shall engage a diverse group of stakeholders, including Oregon State Lottery employees, lottery game retailers, individuals with expertise in the responsible use of games of chance and individuals with expertise in mental health and addiction issues related to the use of games of chance.

(3) The policy must include:

(a) A code of best practices that describes how the lottery commission implements the

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 mission described in ORS 461.200 and provides guidance to Oregon State Lottery employees
2 regarding ethical standards.

3 (b) Procedures to ensure that decision makers consider the best available research on
4 the effects of lottery games and associated marketing activities on vulnerable individuals
5 who struggle with mental health and addiction issues related to the use of games of chance
6 and who may be negatively affected by their use of lottery games.

7 (c) Strategies to minimize the risk of harm to vulnerable individuals from their use of
8 lottery games.

9 (4) In cooperation with the Oregon Health Authority, the lottery commission shall report
10 annually to the appropriate committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly
11 regarding the comprehensive responsible gaming policy. The report must address:

12 (a) The data collected regarding the use of computer terminals and other devices oper-
13 ated by the Oregon State Lottery, including patterns of heavy or light usage of the terminals
14 and other devices by location, time of day and season; and

15 (b) The efforts made by the lottery commission, consistent with balancing its obligation
16 to maximize net revenues with its obligation to serve the public good, to make use of data
17 described in paragraph (a) of this subsection in decision-making to minimize the risk of harm
18 to vulnerable individuals from their use of lottery games.

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