

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2394 - A

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Measure Description:

Requires Director of Oregon State Lottery to provide information about lottery prize recipient to Department of Human Services within seven days after paying lottery prize of \$1,000 or more.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Human Services (DHS), Oregon State Lottery

Analysis:

The proposed legislation has been determined to have
MINIMAL EXPENDITURE IMPACT
on state or local government.

While this individual measure has a “Minimal” fiscal impact, an agency may incur a net fiscal impact greater than minimal depending on the cumulative impact of all measures enacted into law that affect the agency.

Implementation costs associated with this bill will require one-time IT staff programming for data exchanges between Lottery and DHS. In accordance with the Oregon Constitution, Lottery’s administrative funds can only be used for the administration of the Lottery. Therefore, DHS reports that completion of the IT programming can be completed between the two agencies utilizing existing funds in the DHS budget.

Section 4009 of the Agricultural Act of 2014, P.L. 113-79, requires states to suspend a household’s Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits when a household member receives “substantial” lottery or gambling winnings. The federal government has indicated it will address law implementation through regulation but has not yet taken action. The Legislative Fiscal Office notes that future federal guidance regarding the threshold for substantial winnings may be different from the amount in HB 2394 and that those rules will likely cover implementation elements outside the scope of the bill. Once promulgated, the actual regulations may drive additional changes to state statutes and the SNAP program. There could also be unknown, but likely minimal, fiscal impacts associated with implementation.