House Bill 2173

Sponsored by Representative OWENS (at the request of Association of Oregon Counties) (Presession filed.)

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.

Provides that lottery revenues dedicated to county economic development purposes may be transferred to Oregon Department of Administrative Services to pay for portion of costs of regional solutions coordinators within Regional Solutions Program.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the use of county lottery distributions for the Regional Solutions Program; amending ORS 461.547.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 461.547 is amended to read:

461.547. (1) The Oregon State Lottery Commission shall transfer an amount equal to 2.5 percent of the net receipts from video lottery games allocated to the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund to counties for economic development activities. Ninety percent of the moneys shall be distributed to each county in proportion to the gross receipts from video lottery games from each county. Ten percent of the moneys shall be distributed in equal amounts to each county.

(2) If authorized by the board of directors of the Association of Oregon Counties, the commission shall, before transferring the amount described in subsection (1) of this section, first transfer a portion of that amount to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for the purpose of providing up to 50 percent of the funding necessary to support the salaries and benefits of regional solutions coordinators. If any moneys are transferred under this subsection:

(a) All work of regional solutions coordinators must be consistent with ORS 284.754, and may not be redirected or utilized for any other purpose.

(b) The work program for regional solutions coordinators must be mutually agreed upon by the Governor and the board of directors of the Association of Oregon Counties.

(c) Any moneys transferred under this subsection that are not used for funding regional solutions coordinators shall be refunded to the commission for distribution to counties as described in subsection (1) of this section on a quarterly basis.

[(2)] (3) As used in this section:

(a) “Gross receipts from video lottery games” means the amount of money inserted into video lottery games plus the value of any free game prizes used by players for subsequent games.

(b) “Net receipts from video lottery games” means the amount of money that is received from the operation of video lottery games after the payment of prizes but prior to any other payment.

(c) “Regional solutions coordinator” means a regional solutions coordinator within the Regional Solutions Program established under ORS 284.754.