REVENUE IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Authorizes the Oregon Racing Commission to issue an exchange wagering license to a qualified applicant. Specifies that the commission may impose a fee on an exchange wagering licensee's exchange revenue. Takes effect on passage.

Revenue Impact: Indeterminate

Impact Explanation:

This bill specifies a regulatory framework for Oregon's exchange wagering market, in which participants place wagers against each other, through Advance Deposit Wagering (ADW), by offering and accepting identically opposing wagers on the outcome of races. New Jersey is the only state that has this market in place.

If allowed, the exchange wagering may add to ADW revenues, thereby resulting in additional revenue to the regulator, the Oregon Racing Commission (ORC), to the extent that this new wagering scheme does not adversely affect other wagers. However, available data is limited for any credible revenue impact analysis as New Jersey is the only U.S. state with exchange wagering.

While it may take some time to take its root, this market has a potential for expansion and additional revenue as Oregon becomes the second state to offer exchange wagering and as technology allows robust online wagers.

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