

House Bill 3394

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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**.

Establishes State Gambling Task Force. Directs task force to study and make recommendations regarding state gambling policy and regulations. Requires task force to submit periodic reports on progress to committee of Legislative Assembly and to submit final report to committee by December 1, 2022.

Prohibits authorization or implementation of new lottery games or game procedures until January 2, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to gambling.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The State Gambling Task Force is established.**

5 **(2) The task force consists of 10 members appointed as follows:**

6 **(a) One member from the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;**

7 **(b) One member from the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the**

8 **House of Representatives; and**

9 **(c) Eight members appointed by the Governor as follows:**

10 **(A) One member to represent the Oregon State Lottery Commission;**

11 **(B) One member to represent the nine federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon;**

12 **(C) One member to represent the Oregon Racing Commission;**

13 **(D) One member to represent the Oregon State Police;**

14 **(E) One member to represent county sheriffs;**

15 **(F) One member to represent video lottery game retailers, as defined in ORS 461.217;**

16 **(G) One member to represent local government interests; and**

17 **(H) One member with expertise in gambling addiction issues.**

18 **(3) The task force shall study and make recommendations regarding state gambling pol-**
19 **icy and regulations. The task force shall:**

20 **(a) Study the impact of technology on gaming access, functionality and addiction since**
21 **1996;**

22 **(b) Evaluate the impact of state-sanctioned gambling on college sports;**

23 **(c) Study trends in the growth of gambling in this state, including trends in player de-**
24 **mographics;**

25 **(d) Evaluate the effectiveness of the regulatory systems governing state-sanctioned**
26 **gambling;**

27 **(e) Study gambling regulatory systems implemented by other states;**

28 **(f) Study rates of gambling addiction in this state since 1996;**

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 (g) Study impacts of the Oregon State Lottery and other state-sanctioned gambling on
2 tribal communities; and

3 (h) Study other relevant issues identified by the task force.

4 (4) The task force shall solicit and accept input from relevant subject matter experts and
5 from members of the public who wish to submit information to the task force.

6 (5)(a) At least once every three months, the task force shall deliver a report on its
7 progress to an appropriate standing or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly.

8 (b) No later than December 1, 2022, the task force shall submit a final report on its
9 findings and recommendations, which may include recommendations for legislation, to an
10 appropriate standing or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly.

11 (6) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction
12 of business.

13 (7) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members
14 of the task force.

15 (8) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.

16 (9) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-
17 ment to become immediately effective.

18 (10) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson
19 or of a majority of the members of the task force.

20 (11) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

21 (12) The Legislative Fiscal Office shall provide staff support to the task force.

22 (13) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for
23 expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

24 (14) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist
25 the task force in the performance of the duties of the task force and, to the extent permitted
26 by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the task
27 force consider necessary to perform their duties.

28 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2023.

29 **SECTION 3.** (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of ORS chapter 461, during the time pe-
30 riod beginning on the effective date of this 2021 Act and ending on January 2, 2023, the
31 Oregon State Lottery Commission may not authorize, and the Oregon State Lottery may not
32 implement, any lottery games or game procedures that were not authorized or implemented
33 before the effective date of this 2021 Act.

34 (2) Nothing in this section prohibits the Oregon State Lottery from entering into new
35 contracts with video lottery game retailers, as defined in ORS 461.217, or carrying out ex-
36 isting contracts with video lottery game retailers.

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