

HB 3115 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Lively

House Committee On Commerce and Consumer Protection

Action Date: 03/06/25

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 9-1-0-0

Yeas: 9 - Chaichi, Chotzen, Gomberg, Neron, Osborne, Reschke, Sosa, Wallan, Walters

Nays: 1 - Cate

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 1/30, 3/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

- The measure forbids the selling, purchasing, or claiming for compensation of a winning lottery ticket or share of a winning lottery ticket prize that the Oregon State Lottery Commission requires winners to claim at the state office instead of at a lottery game retailer.
- If a ticket purchased on or after January 1, 2026, in violation of this measure, is allowed as a deduction for federal tax purposes, this measure adds the purchase price of the lottery ticket to federal taxable income for Oregon personal income and corporate excise tax purposes.
- The measure also requires that a prize winner's name and address be exempt from public disclosure unless written authorization is given. The measure takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The prize threshold of winning tickets applicable to the measure
- How the measure will be enforced
- How a tax withholding is determined when a winning ticket is presented

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

- The amendment requires that the name and address of a prize winner are exempt from disclosure unless the prize winner provides written authorization.
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- The amendment adds an effective date of the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon State Lottery collects revenues from traditional and video lottery gaming, as well as from sports betting. Lottery dollars fund education, economic growth, state parks, natural habitats, veteran services, and outdoor school. Lottery dollars also fund gambling counseling, treatment, and safer play strategies and resource awareness throughout the State.

ORS 461.250 is the Oregon statute about the payment of prizes and validation of tickets.