A-Engrossed House Bill 3101

Ordered by the House April 3 Including House Amendments dated April 3

Sponsored by Representatives LIVELY, WALLAN; Representatives DIEHL, GOMBERG, OWENS (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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act addresses how lottery money is allocated to the County Fair Account. The Act allocates lottery money to a new Horse Racing Account. The Act creates the new Horse Racing Account. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.1).

[Digest: The Act addresses how lottery money is allocated to the County Fair Account. The Act allocates lottery money to a new Horse Racing Account. The Act tells an agency to create a master plan

for county fair building. The Act gives money related to the master plan. The Act creates the new Horse Racing Account. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.0).]

[Removes the requirement that the amount of net proceeds from the Oregon State Lottery allocated to the County Fair Account not exceed \$1.53 million annually.] Allocates eight-tenths of one percent of net proceeds from the **Oregon State** Lottery to the County Fair Account and two-tenths of one percent of net proceeds from the lottery to the Horse Racing Account.

[Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to prepare and report a master plan for

county fairground capital construction. Specifies content and procedural requirements for the report.] Appropriates moneys to the department out of the General Fund for consultant services related to

Establishes the Horse Racing Account separate and distinct from the General Fund.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to events that involve livestock; creating new provisions; amending ORS 565.446 and 565.447; and declaring an emergency. 3

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

- SECTION 1. ORS 565.447 is amended to read:
- 565.447. (1) Subject only to the availability of unobligated net lottery proceeds, there is allocated from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund to:
- (a) The County Fair Account created under ORS 565.445 an amount equal to eight-tenths of one percent of the net proceeds from the Oregon State Lottery, but not to exceed \$1.53 million annually, adjusted biennially pursuant to an inflation factor determined by dividing the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, for January 1 immediately preceding com-
- mencement of the biennium, by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers of the Portland, 13
- Oregon, Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area, as compiled by the United States Department of 14
- Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, for January 1, 2001[.]; and 15
 - (b) The Horse Racing Account established under section 3 of this 2025 Act an amount equal to two-tenths of one percent of the net proceeds from the Oregon State Lottery.
 - (2) The allocation of moneys from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund under this section is subject to the requirements in section 4, Article XV of the Oregon Constitution,

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- for deposit of specified amounts of the net proceeds from the Oregon State Lottery into the Education Stability Fund and into the Parks and Natural Resources Fund and shall be made only after satisfaction or payment of:
 - (a) Amounts allocated to Westside lottery bonds issued under ORS 391.140 or to the reserves or any refunding related to the Westside lottery bonds in accordance with the priority for allocation and disbursement established by ORS 391.130;
 - (b) All liens, pledges or other obligations relating to lottery bonds or refunding lottery bonds due or payable during the year for which an allocation is to be made; and
- (c) Amounts required by any other pledges of, or liens on, net proceeds from the Oregon State Lottery.

SECTION 2. ORS 565.446 is amended to read:

- 565.446. The Legislative Assembly finds and declares that financial support of county fairs **and horse racing events** will result in economic development for areas where fairgrounds are located by promoting, expanding or preventing the decline of businesses and that the use of the net proceeds from the operation of the Oregon State Lottery to fund county fairs **and horse racing events** is an appropriate use of state lottery funds under section 4, Article XV of the Oregon Constitution, and ORS 461.540.
- SECTION 3. (1) The Horse Racing Account is established separate and distinct from the General Fund. The account shall consist of moneys allocated under ORS 565.447. Interest earned by the account shall be credited to the account. The moneys in the account are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Racing Commission to be used as provided in subsection (2) of this section.
- (2) The commission shall use the moneys in the account to support horse racing events held at events described in ORS 462.057 (2), and on fairgrounds in Crook County, Josephine County, Tillamook County and Union County, by:
 - (a) Maintaining horse racing tracks at the fairgrounds.
- (b) Supporting purse money and jockey incentives to attract better horse and human athletes.
- (c) Funding veterinarians to treat horses at the horse racing tracks and medical professionals to treat jockeys at the horse racing tracks.
 - (d) Purchasing horse racing safety equipment for use at the horse racing events.
- (e) Operating the horse racing events, including paying for the costs of security and insurance.
- (f) Building or maintaining horse racing infrastructure that enhances or protects the safety or well-being of racehorses.
- <u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect on its passage.