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## Position on Bills at 2025 Session of Oregon Legislature:

## SB 914 : Support



As stated in the Staff Measure Summary:

Current law requires that certain lottery billboard advertising include a disclaimer that "Lottery games should not be played for investment purposes." Senate Bill 914 specifies that all billboard advertising intended to promote a lottery game, indicate where lottery tickets may be purchased, to provide information about prize winners, or intended to publicize projects or programs funded by lottery dollars is to include the following statement: "Need help with problem gambling? Call or text" followed by the phone number of a problem gambling hotline.

Including that legend would help some problem gamblers escape the addiction. But the government should not be promoting gambling in the first place. Running gambling operations slashes the credibility of the government, which is supposed to be an institution to help people. Instead, it victimizes people. Advertising helps the government victimize people. No wonder a large portion of the public is angry with government.

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