

Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

STATE CONDITIONAL FISCAL IMPACT

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Prime Sponsor(s):	Rep. Vaad	Bill Status:	House Finance
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TITLE: CONCERNING THE PROHIBITION OF INTERNET LOTTERY.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014			
State Revenue					
State Expenditures					
FTE Position Change					
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.					
Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013: None required.					
Local Government Impact: None.					

Summary of Legislation

This bill prohibits the Colorado Lottery Commission from promulgating rules that would authorize an internet lottery. An internet lottery is defined to mean tickets, games, or shares sold by means of the internet, telephone, or other electronic device without the ticket purchaser's physical presence at a licensed lottery sales agent's place of business.

State Revenue and Expenditures

The bill has no impact on lottery revenue or expenditures based on games presently authorized by the Commission. Lottery ticket sales via the internet are not currently offered or contemplated by the Colorado Lottery Commission. The bill prohibits lottery ticket sales in the future. As such, the bill is assessed as having a conditional state fiscal impact.

Any projection of potential future state revenue that could be lost from the prohibition of internet lottery ticket sales would be dependent on the assumption that the Colorado Lottery Commission will approve internet lottery sales at some time in the future. For example, to compete with on-line games that other states currently offer or will authorize in the future. Due to the speculative nature of this premise, no estimate of lost revenue can be made.

Departments Contacted

Revenue