

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title:		n licensees from offe	ering gambling			
Primary Sponsor: Ed Buttrey			Status:	As Introduced		
\square Included in the Executive Budget		☐ Needs to be included in HB 2		☐ Significant Local Gov Impact		
☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts		☑ Technical Concerns		☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached		
		FISCAL SU	JMMARY			
		FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference	
Expenditures		*				
General Fund (01)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Revenues			745			
General Fund (01)		(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	
Net Impact		(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	
General Fund E	Balance					

Description of fiscal impact

HB 668 prohibits gambling activities on the premises of any new entity licensed under 16-4-201(8)(c) or 16-4-105(1)(e). For all-beverage licenses and retail on-premises consumption beer and wine licenses this includes any post or a nationally chartered veterans' organization or a lodge of a recognized national fraternal organization. For retail on-premises consumption beer and wine licenses this also includes enlisted persons', noncommissioned officers', or officers' clubs located on a state or federal military reservation. This would result in a loss of revenue to the Montana Lottery (lottery) of approximately \$21,458 annually.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Department of Administration - Montana State Lottery

- 1. This bill would prohibit gambling for new establishments with licenses issued under MCA 16-4-201(8)(c). These are establishments like veterans' organization or any lodge of a recognized national fraternal organization.
- 2. It is assumed that there would be one new establishment that would be in business starting FY 2026.
- 3. On average, these types of establishments generate \$21,458 in revenue for lottery.
- 4. This would result in revenue loss of \$21,458 annually each fiscal year that would be set to be transferred to the general fund.

Fiscal Analysis Table

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	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference			
Fiscal Impact							
Expenditures							
Funding of Expenditures							
Revenues							
General Fund (01)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)			
TOTAL Revenues	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)			
Net Impact to Fund Balance (R	evenue minus Funding	of Expenditures					
General Fund (01)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)			

Technical Concerns

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

2/27/2025

Date

^{1.} There is no way of knowing how many new locations may open in the future. As a result, the actual fiscal impact may be understated.