

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title:		evising alcohol law to prohibit certain licensees from offering 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 General Fund (01)		(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)		
Net Impact		(\$21,458)	(\$21,458)	· ·	(\$21,458)		
General Fund B	alance						

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

	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	g 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.