Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: HB1382

BIII Subtitle: TO EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967 AND KEEP CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS AND INFORMATION CONCERNING A LOTTERY WINNER.

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Basic Change:

Sponsor: Rep. Sorvillo

HB1382 exempts confidential records and information concerning a lottery winner from public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967.

Revenue Impact :

None.

Taxpayer Impact :

Exempts records and information for taxpayers that win the lottery from being disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967.

Resources Required:

None.

Time Required:

Adequate time is provided for implementation.

Procedural Changes:

Department personnel will need to be educated as well as the public.

Other Comments :

None.

Legal Analysis:

HB1382 seeks to amend § 23-115-404 regarding lottery winners' information. The bill seeks to make any identifying records or information regarding a lottery winner confidential information. Employees of the Office of the Arkansas Lottery shall not disclose the identifying records or information to another individual or entity. However, the IRS, Arkansas Legislative Audit, and DFA shall have full access to the records. DFA's ability to offset Lottery winnings against a state tax lien should not be impaired.

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