149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**SENATE BILL NO. 144**
AS AMENDED BY:	
SPONSOR:	**Senator Bushweller**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO LOTTERIES.**

Assumptions:

1. This Bill becomes effective July 1, 2018 (Fiscal Year 2019).

2. This Bill adjusts the State's lottery revenue sharing model in the following ways:

    a. Reduces the State's percentage of gross table game revenue from 29.4% to 15%. Estimated revenue loss for this change is $7.9 million.

    b. Modifies the State's share of gross slot machine revenues from a flat 43.5% to a tiered structure ranging from 32% to 43.5%, based on average daily winnings. Gross revenues are calculated net of vendor and certain administrative costs. Estimated revenue loss for this change is $19.2 million.

    c. Eliminates the annual game license fee. Estimated revenue loss for this change is $3.0 million.

3. This Bill further allows video lottery operations during the Christmas and Easter holidays. Additional revenue for lottery operation during these days is estimated at $475,000.

4. The Department of Finance estimates revenue loss based on December 2017 Delaware Economic and Financial Advisory Council's (DEFAC) adopted revenue estimates for Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, and 2020. If DEFAC revenue estimates change dramatically, there could be a corresponding change in the cost of this Legislation.

Estimated Revenue Loss:

FY 2019: $29.6 million
FY 2020: $29.6 million
FY 2021: $29.6 million

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