

# Legislative Analysis

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## ANONYMOUS LOTTERY WINNERS

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**House Bill 4433 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Ray A. Franz**  
**Committee: Regulatory Reform**  
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### A REVISED SUMMARY:

House Bill 4433 would amend Section 25 of the McCauley-Traxler-Law-Bowman-McNeely Lottery Act to prohibit the lottery commissioner, or an officer or employee of the Michigan Bureau of State Lottery, from disclosing certain information about an individual who has won a prize in a "joint enterprise," unless that individual agrees in writing to the disclosure.

Currently, the commissioner, officer, or an employee of the bureau may disclose the name, address, or any other personal information concerning a winner of a prize awarded under a game played pursuant to a joint enterprise, to the extent required under the joint enterprise participation agreement. The information of individuals who have won a prize of greater than \$10,000 in the state lottery may not be disclosed unless that individual agrees in writing to the disclosure.

A joint enterprise is defined as, "any lottery activity in which the bureau participates pursuant to a written agreement between the state of Michigan and any state, territory, country, or other sovereignty as executed by the commissioner. Joint enterprise does not include the state lottery created pursuant to this act."

The bill also would make other technical non-substantive changes.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4433 would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on lottery revenues and subsequent distributions to the School Aid Fund. According to the Michigan Bureau of State Lottery, the bill would have a negative fiscal impact as it relates to the Bureau's ability to generate publicity and advertise prizes won for multi-state games (Mega Millions, Powerball, and Lucky for Life). The Bureau of State Lottery has indicated that this will likely have a negative impact on sales, thereby reducing the annual distribution to the School Aid Fund. In FY 2014, the distribution to the School Aid Fund totaled \$742.8 million. There would be no administrative costs associated with the changes required under the provisions of the bill.

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