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House Bill 6126 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)
House Bill 6127 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Jason Morgan
House Committee: Appropriations (discharged)
Senate Committee: Appropriations (discharged)

## CONTENT

House Bills 6126 (H-1) and 6127 (H-1) would amend the Lawful Sports Betting Act and the Lawful Internet Gaming Act to modify the annual distribution from the Internet Sports Betting Fund and the Internet Gaming Fund.

The bills would increase the annual allocation from each fund to the Christopher R. Slezak First Responder Presumed Coverage Fund from up to $2.0 million to up to $7.0 million. Each fund would be responsible for up to 50% of the costs associated with approved claims and administration of the First Responder Presumed Coverage Fund. Collectively, the two funds could contribute up to $14.0 million and cover all eligible costs.

Additionally, each bill would allocate $1.0 million annually to the Michigan Strategic Fund for distribution to Federally recognized tribal government in Michigan for essential government services. Combined, this would contribute $2.0 million to Federally recognized tribal governments. These funds would be distributed in accordance with an allocation plan recommended by the Inter-Tribal Council in Michigan.

House Bill 6126 would define "federally recognized tribal governments" to mean any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community of Indians that is recognized as eligible by the United States Secretary of the Interior for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians and is recognized as possessing powers of self-government.

MCL 432.415 & 432.416 (HB 6126)
MCL 432.314 & 432.316 (HB 6127)

## FISCAL IMPACT

The bills would have a fiscal impact on the State and no fiscal impact on local units of government. The bills would have no overall impact on the amount of revenue generated in the Lawful Sports Betting and Lawful Internet Gaming Funds but would affect the annual allocations from those funds and would have a minor fiscal impact on the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity. The bills would increase the amount allocated to the Christopher R. Slezak First Responder Presumed Coverage Fund from $4.0 million to up to $14.0 million, subject to appropriations, which could reduce the amount that otherwise would be allocated to the School Aid Fund by up to $10.0 million under current law. The bill would add $2.0 million to be distributed to federal recognized tribal government, which also would reduce the amount allocated to the School Aid Fund by $2.0 million.

The enacted fiscal year 2026-27 budget allocates the full amount from the Christopher R. Slezak First Responder Presumed Coverage Fund necessary to cover the costs allowed under the Worker's Disability Compensation Act and allocates the distribution to Federally recognized tribal governments.

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