BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the executive director of the Texas Lottery Commission has the authority to deduct certain amounts of delinquent tax and other money from the winnings of certain persons. This bill provides deductions from the lottery winnings for people delinquent in the payment of an obligation to the crime victims compensation fund or certain child support payments.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 566 sets forth provisions regarding deductions from the winnings of lottery winners.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

Rulemaking authority is granted to the Texas Lottery Commission in SECTION 2 (Sec. 466.075(d), Government Code) of this bill.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 466.407(a) and (c), Government Code, to require the executive director of the commission (executive director) to deduct certain amounts from the winnings of a person who has finally been determined to be delinquent in payment of a tax other other money collected by the Texas Workforce Commission, rather than state treasurer, to be delinquent in the payment of an obligation to the crime victims compensation fund or in the payment of an order or restitution following conviction in a criminal case. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Amends Chapter 466I, Government Code, by adding Section 466.4075, as follows:

Sec. 466.4075. DEDUCTIONS OF CHILD SUPPORT FORM CERTAIN LOTTERY WINNINGS. Provides that this section applies only to a prize that is required to be awarded by the director of the division under Section 466.402(b). Requires the executive director to deduct certain amounts from a person's winnings under certain conditions. Requires the executive director to pay a balance to a person under certain conditions. Requires the executive director to transfer the money deducted under Subsection (b) to the appropriate person. Requires the Texas Lottery Commission to adopt rules necessary to administer this section.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.