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# Final Fiscal Note

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<b>Drafting Number:</b>	LLS 21-0984	<b>Date:</b>	August 2, 2021
<b>Prime Sponsors:</b>	Rep. Bird Sen. Pettersen; Hisey	<b>Bill Status:</b>	Signed into Law
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<b>Bill Topic:</b>	<b>LIMITED GAMING CODIFY EXECUTIVE ORDERS</b>
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<b>Summary of Fiscal Impact:</b>	<b>No fiscal impact.</b> The bill codifies three provisions of Governor's Executive Orders related to limited gaming. It has no impact on state or local government.
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<b>Appropriation Summary:</b>	No appropriation is required.
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<b>Fiscal Note Status:</b>	This fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.
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## Summary of Legislation

The bill codifies three provisions of Governor's Executive Orders related to limited gaming. Specifically, the bill:

- repeals the maximum number of players allowed in a game of blackjack (seven);
- repeals provisions limiting a casino to two noncontiguous gaming areas; and
- allows an applicant for a limited gaming or sports betting license to submit fingerprints as a supplement to their application, rather than submitting the fingerprints and the application simultaneously. The Limited Gaming Commission may not take final action on an application until the results of the fingerprint-based criminal record check are received.

## Background

Executive Order D2020-173 suspended statutes that limit games of blackjack to seven people and that prevent a casino from dividing its gaming space into more than two noncontiguous spaces. Executive Order D2020-283 suspended the requirement that gaming and sports betting applicants submit their fingerprints with their application and allowed the fingerprints to be submitted prior to the issuance of a permanent license. Both executive orders were subsequently continued through other orders, most recently Executive Order D2021-067.

## **Assessment of No Fiscal Impact**

This bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact. In 2020, the Division of Gaming in the Department of Revenue modified materials and procedures to implement the executive orders; this workload was minimal and did not drive additional costs. As a result, continuing these practices does not impact the revenue, expenditures, or workload of the division, any other state agency, or local government.

## **Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 30, 2021.

## **State and Local Government Contacts**

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