

TOWN OF HAVANA, FLORIDA
BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE

Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

ORDINANCE 404

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAVANA, FLORIDA, RELATING TO SIMULATED GAMBLING DEVICES AND INTERNET CAFES; CREATING CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE III OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF HAVANA, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE; SETTING FORTH FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR A PROHIBITION OF THE USE OF SIMULATED GAMBLING DEVICES; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS WITH STATE LAW; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION, ENFORCEMENT, PENALTIES, AND REMEDIES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY TO CODIFY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, the Town of Havana, Florida hereby publishes the following information:

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

Following the adoption of Ordinance 402 in September 2023, imposing a moratorium on the issuance of certain business tax licenses, and the extension of that moratorium in April 2024, the proposed ordinance regulates simulated gaming devices and internet cafes to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the Town's residents and community.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the Town of Havana, if any:
- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
 - (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and
 - (c) An estimate of the Town's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

No internet cafes currently operate in the Town. Therefore, none as to (a) and (b). As to (c), the Town may incur costs for enforcement efforts, which cannot be estimated at this time.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

As there are no internet cafes currently operating in the Town, it is estimated that no businesses will be negatively impacted by the proposed ordinance. Given the documented correlation between internet cafes and certain crimes throughout the State, all businesses in the Town are benefited by the Town Council's efforts to limit activity related to crime.

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

None.