

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

GAMBLING REGULATION AMENDMENT (GAMING MACHINE
ARRANGEMENTS) BILL 2017

(Amendments and New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Ms HARTLAND)

1. Clause 1, page 3, after line 8 insert—
 - "(c) to amend both the **Gambling Regulation Act 2003** and the **Casino Control Act 1991** to impose limits on the amount that may be wagered on a single spin of a gaming machine; and".
2. Clause 94, line 25, omit '—'.
3. Clause 94, line 26, omit "(a)".
4. Clause 94, line 27, omit "(i)" and insert "(a)".
5. Clause 94, line 30, omit "(ii)" and insert "(b)".
6. Clause 94, line 31, omit "approval; or" and insert "approval."
7. Clause 94, page 94, lines 1 and 2, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
8. Clause 94, page 94, line 3, omit "units." and insert 'units.'.
9. Clause 94, page 94, lines 4 to 23, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
10. Clause 95, line 27, omit "**certain**".
11. Clause 95, page 95, line 7, omit "area other than an EFTPOS" and insert "area."
12. Clause 95, page 95, line 8, omit all words and expressions on this line.
13. Clause 95, page 95, lines 10 to 29, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
14. Clause 95, page 96, line 1, omit "(5)" and insert "(3)".
15. Clause 96, line 23, after "if" insert "it is not an EFTPOS facility and".

NEW CLAUSES

16. Insert the following new Part heading, Division headings and clauses to follow clause 101—

'Part 10—Bet limits

Division 1—Amendment of Principal Act

A Ministerial directions as to requirements for gaming machines

Section 3.2.3(1)(d) of the Principal Act is **repealed**.

B New Subdivisions 4 and 5 of Division 3 of Part 5 of Chapter 3 inserted

Before the heading to Division 4 of Part 5 of Chapter 3 of the Principal Act insert—

"Subdivision 4—Bet limits for large approved venues

3.5.33R Definition

In this Subdivision—

large approved venue means an approved venue with 10 or more gaming machines.

3.5.33S Bet limit for gaming machine in large approved venue—until 31 December 2023

- (1) This section applies until 31 December 2023.
- (2) The venue operator for a large approved venue must not allow a game to be played on a gaming machine in that venue if it is possible to wager more than \$5 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units.

3.5.33T Capacity to set bet limit for newly installed gaming machine in large approved venue—from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2023

- (1) This section applies to a gaming machine installed in a large venue during the period that—
 - (a) begins on 1 January 2020; and
 - (b) ends on 31 December 2023.
- (2) During the period referred to in subsection (1), the venue operator must not allow a game to be played on the gaming machine if the machine does not have a function that, when operated, makes it impossible to wager more than \$1 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units.

3.5.33U Bet limit for gaming machine in large approved venue—from 1 January 2024

- (1) This section applies on and after 1 January 2024.
- (2) The venue operator for a large approved venue must not allow a game to be played on a gaming machine in that venue if it is possible to wager more than \$1 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units.

Subdivision 5—Bet limits for small approved venues

3.5.33V Definition

In this Subdivision—

small approved venue means an approved venue with fewer than 10 gaming machines.

3.5.33W Bet limit for gaming machine in small venue until 31 December 2025

- (1) This section applies until 31 December 2025.
- (2) The venue operator for a small approved venue must not allow a game to be played on a gaming machine in that venue if it is possible to wager more than \$5 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units.

3.5.33X Capacity to set bet limit for newly installed gaming machine in small approved venue—from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2025

- (1) This section applies to a gaming machine installed in a small venue during the period that—
 - (a) begins on 1 January 2020; and
 - (b) ends on 31 December 2025.
- (2) During the period referred to in subsection (1), the venue operator must not allow a game to be played on the gaming machine if the machine does not have a function that, when operated, makes it impossible to wager more than \$1 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units.

3.5.33Y Bet limit for gaming machine in small approved venue—from 1 January 2026

- (1) This section applies on and after 1 January 2026.
- (2) The venue operator for a small approved venue must not allow a game to be played on a gaming machine in that venue if it is possible to wager more than \$1 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units."

Division 2—Amendment of Casino Control Act 1991

C Gaming machines in casinos

- (1) In section 62A(4) of the **Casino Control Act 1991**, after "the casino" **insert** "until 31 December 2019".
- (2) In section 62A(7) of the **Casino Control Act 1991**, for "A casino operator" **substitute** "Until 31 December 2019, a casino operator".

D New sections 62AAA, 62AAAB and 62AAAC inserted

After section 62A of the **Casino Control Act 1991 insert—**

"62AAA Bet limit for gaming machine in casino—from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2023

- (1) This section applies—
 - (a) on and after 1 January 2020; and
 - (b) until 31 December 2023.

- (2) A casino operator must not allow a game to be played on a gaming machine if it is possible to wager more than \$5 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units.

62AAAB Capacity to set bet limit for newly installed gaming machine in casino—from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2023

- (1) This section applies to a gaming machine installed in a casino during the period that—
- (a) begins on 1 January 2020; and
 - (b) ends on 31 December 2023.
- (2) During the period referred to in subsection (1), the casino operator must not allow a game to be played on the gaming machine if the machine does not have a function that, when operated, makes it impossible to wager more than \$1 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units.

62AAAC Bet limit for gaming machine in casino—from 1 January 2024

- (1) This section applies on and after 1 January 2024.
- (2) A casino operator must not allow a game to be played on a gaming machine if it is possible to wager more than \$1 on a single spin of the machine.

Penalty: 120 penalty units."

E New section 174 inserted

After section 173 to the **Casino Control Act 1991** insert—

"174 Transitional provisions—Gambling Regulation Amendment (Gaming Machine Arrangements) Act 2017

- (1) No right to compensation enforceable against the State arises in relation to the enactment of Division 2 of Part 10 of the **Gambling Regulation Amendment (Gaming Machine Arrangements) Act 2017**.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies despite anything to the contrary in—
- (a) the **Casino (Management Agreement) Act 1993** or any other Act; or
 - (b) the Agreement (within the meaning of the **Casino (Management Agreement) Act 1993**) or any other agreement, arrangement or understanding."

AMENDMENT OF LONG TITLE

17. Long title, omit "Division" and insert "Division, limits on the amount that may be wagered on a single spin of a gaming machine".