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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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Outline

This is an amending Bill. It amends the Liquor Act 1975, referred to in the Bill as the Principal Act. The object of the Liquor Act is to promote and encourage responsibility in the sale and consumption of alcohol through the establishment of a scheme of licences and permits.

The Bill amends the Principal Act by introducing provisions to enable the restriction of trading hours for the sale of liquor by the making of regulations.

Formal Clauses

Clauses 1, 2 and 3 are formal clauses. They refer to the short title of the Bill, commencement and definition of the Principal Act.

Clause 4: General Licences

This clause amends section 26 of the Principal Act by inserting in paragraph (a) "or, if times are prescribed, at those times" after "time".

This provides that a General licence authorises the sale of liquor for consumption on the premises at any time or at prescribed times.

Clause 5: On Licences

This clause amends section 27 of the Principal Act by inserting "or, if times are prescribed, at those times" after "time".

This provides that an On licence authorises the sale of liquor for consumption on the premises at any time or at prescribed times.

Clause 6: Club Licences

This clause amends section 29 of the Principal Act by inserting in paragraph 2(a) "or, if times are prescribed, at those times" after "time".

This provides that a Club licence authorises the sale of liquor for consumption on the premises at any time or at prescribed times.

Clause 7: Substitution

This clause repeals section 29A of the Principal Act and substitutes a new section 29A.

New section 29A provides that a Special licence authorises the sale of liquor as specified in the licence other than prescribed times.

Clause 8: Repeal and amendment of other Acts

This clause repeals the Liquor (Amendment) Act 1996, the Liquor (Amendment) Act (No. 2) 1997 and section 5 of the Liquor (Amendment) Act 1997.