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LOTTERIES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1996

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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Summary

The Lotteries Act 1964 (the Act) provides for the regulation of the conduct of activities in the Territory such as instant scratch lotteries, raffles, silver circles, housie and trade promotions

This Bill will amend the Act to provide that the minimum total prize for exempt lotteries will be set by determination. This will better address the needs of clients by providing more appropriate exemption thresholds.

The Bill also makes formal amendments to the Act and revises penalties as part of the Government's process of updating penalties.

Financial implications

This measure will have minimal impact.

Details of the Bill are attached.

Details of the Lotteries (Amendment) Bill 1996

Title

Clause 1 - provides for the short title for this Act to be the Lotteries (Amendment) Act 1996.

Commencement

Clause 2(1) - provides that sections 1,2 and 3 commence on the day that this Act is notified in the Gazette,

Clause 2(2) - provides that the remaining provisions of the Act commence on a date fixed by the Minister by notice in the Gazette

Principal Act

Clause 3 - refers to the Principal Act being amended as the Lotteries Act 1964

Exempt lotteries

Clause 4 - amends section 6 subparagraph (1)(c)(i) of the Act by removing \$40 00 as the threshold for the minimum total prize value and substituting instead an amount set by determination

Further amendments

Clause 5 - provides for a schedule of formal amendments to the Principal Act These are of a housekeeping nature and update spelling and revise penalties