

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

AMENDMENT OF BETTING (TOTALIZATOR AGENCY) ORDINANCE 1964
AND POKER MACHINE CONTROL ORDINANCE 1975

Nos. 36, 37 of 1979.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Betting (Totalizator Agency) (Amendment) Ordinance 1979 and the Poker Machine Control (Amendment) Ordinance (No. 2) 1979 will rationalise the disbursement of funds collected under the Betting (Totalizator Agency) Ordinance 1964 and the Poker Machine Control Ordinance 1975.

Sections 1 to 3 of the Betting (Totalizator Agency) (Amendment) Ordinance 1979 deal with commencement and interpretation provisions.

Section 4 of that Ordinance repeals section 28 of the Principal Ordinance and substitutes a new section 28 and also inserts section 28A.

The new section 28 provides that the Board will pay an amount equal to 1% of the amount of bets accepted by the Board during the preceding accounting period into a separate trust account to be kept at a bank in the name of the Board. The Minister may direct the Board in writing to pay a specified amount from that trust account into the Trust Fund established under the Audit Act 1901. The Board shall not withdraw money from their trust account except as directed by the Minister.

Section 28A provides that the Minister may determine that a prescribed body or prescribed person is eligible to receive an amount specified in the determination. He may, if he thinks fit, request advice from the House of Assembly or any other body or organization in the Territory as to what bodies or organisations might be specified. The new section defines a prescribed body and a prescribed person.

Sections 1 to 3 of the Poker Machine Control (Amendment) Ordinance (No. 2) 1979 deal with commencement and interpretation provisions.

Section 4 of that Ordinance makes drafting changes consequent upon the passing of the House of Assembly Ordinance 1979.

Section 5 of that Ordinance repeals section 43 of the Principal Ordinance and substitutes a new section 43 and also inserts a section 43A.

New section 43 provides that the Board shall pay a specified amount from the Board trust account into the Trust Fund established under the Audit Act 1901. The Board shall not withdraw money from their trust account except as directed by the Minister.

Section 43A provides that the Minister may determine that a prescribed body or prescribed person is eligible to receive an amount specified in the determination. He may, if he thinks fit, request advice from the House of Assembly or any other body or organization in the Territory as to what bodies or organizations might be specified. The new section defines a prescribed body and a prescribed person.

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