

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

GAMING MACHINE ACT 1987

DETERMINATION OF FEES

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

INSTRUMENT No. 211 of 2000

The *Gaming Machine Act 1987* (the Act) governs the operation and regulation of gaming machines in the Territory. Section 66 of the Act allows the Minister to determine fees that relate to the purposes of the Act.

The Act states that an application for a gaming machine licence, as well as a variation and replacement of a licence are subject to the applicant paying the Gambling and Racing Commission the determined fee. In relation to inter-club jackpot permits, the Act requires that the determined fee be paid upon the issue, renewal, variation and transfer of the permit.

I have determined fees for the first time for the issue of a copy of a gaming machine licence and the transfer and renewal of an inter-club jackpot permit. These fees are new and have not have been previously required.

I have decided that existing fees should increase in line with movements in the Consumer Price Index in 2000-2001 to ensure that the Commission's costs are recovered. I have determined that the fee structure for 2000-2001 shall be as follows (1999-2000 fees included for comparison where applicable):

	<u>2000-2001</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>
Replacement Copy of a Gaming Machine Licence (section 29)	\$50.00	N/A
Grant of a Gaming Machine Licence (section 14)	\$1538.00	\$1500.00
Variation to a Gaming Machine Licence (section 22)	\$26.00	\$25.00
Issue of an Inter-Club Linked Jackpot Permit (section 45B)	\$2050.00 per machine	\$2000.00 per machine
Renewal of an Inter-Club Linked Jackpot Permit (section 45E)	\$500.00	N/A
Variation of an Inter-Club Linked Jackpot Permit (section 45G)	\$513.00	\$500.00
Transfer of an Inter-Club Linked Jackpot Permit (section 45J)	\$500.00	N/A

All fees are based on the cost of recovery of the Gambling and Racing Commission's administrative time and the fees charged by external organisations for security and credit checks where appropriate. The proposed fees are consistent with those charged in other states.