

LIQUOR AND REGISTERED CLUBS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT
(COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP) BILL

Schedule of the amendments referred to in the Legislative Council's Message of
6 May 1998.

No. 1 Page 2. Insert after clause 4:

5 Inquiry into social impacts of gaming

This section commences on the date of assent to this Act (despite section 2),
and Schedule 4 has effect on and from that date.

No. 2 Page 24, Schedule 3 [9], line 29. Insert "development and" after "community".

No. 3 Page 25, Schedule 3 [9], line 4. Insert "development and" after "community".

No. 4 Page 25, Schedule 3 [9]. Insert after line 5:

(7) Guidelines under subsection (6) must provide for the following:

(a) of the funds claimed by a registered club to have been applied to community development and support during a duty period mentioned in subparagraphs (i)-(iii) below, amounts not less than the amounts prescribed by each such paragraph must have been applied to specific community welfare, community development, social services and employment assistance activities:

(i) for the duty period ending on 30 November 1998 - an amount equal to 0.42% of the so much of the profits derived from approved gaming devices kept by the club during that period as exceeds \$1,000,000,

(ii) for the duty period ending on 30 November 1999 - an amount equal to 0.6% of so much of the profits derived from approved gaming devices kept by the club during that period as exceeds \$1,000,000,

(iii) for the duty period ending on 30 November 2000 - an amount equal to 0.75% of so much of the profits derived from approved gaming devices kept by the club during that period as exceeds \$1,000,000,

(b) funds claimed by a registered club to have been applied to community development and support, being capital expenditure directed to the enhancement of club facilities:

(i) can only be sourced from the balance of funds available after expenditure requirements on community welfare, community development, social services and employment assistance activities in accordance with paragraph (a) have been met, and

- (ii) cannot include funds applied to enhancement of gaming facilities at the club,
- (c) a listing of community social expenditure priorities in each region of the State is to be developed in consultation with State government agencies such as the Department of Community Services and the Council of Social Service of New South Wales and made available to registered clubs (either directly or by furnishing it to the Registered Clubs Association of New South Wales) for the purposes of determining their priorities with respect to community development and support expenditure,
- (d) the Registered Clubs Association of New South Wales is to be required to advertise, at times to be prescribed by the guidelines, in a newspaper circulating throughout the State and in newspapers circulating in regions of the State, that registered clubs are seeking applications for community development and support projects,
- (e) a registered club claiming a reduction under subsection (5) must:
 - (i) take such steps as the guidelines may prescribe to ascertain, from the recipients of any money applied by the club to community development and support projects, the manner in which the money was applied, and
 - (ii) verify, by statutory declaration of some appropriate person or in such other manner as the guidelines may prescribe, all information supporting its claim and the measures taken by it in compliance with subparagraph (i).
- (8) Provisions of the guidelines that define the terms *community welfare*, *community development*, *social services* and *employment assistance* for the purposes of subsection (7) (a) are to be settled in consultation with the Registered Clubs Association of New South Wales and the Council of Social Service of New South Wales.
- (9) Part 6 of the *Interpretation Act 1987* (sections 39, 42 and 43 excepted) applies to guidelines under subsection (6). The guidelines are to be reviewed, in consultation with the Registered Clubs Association of New South Wales and with the Council of Social Service of New South Wales, and remade and republished for the purposes of their application in respect of the duty period commencing on 1 December 1999 and subsequent duty periods.

No. 5 Page 33, Schedule 3 [18], line 29. Insert "development and" after "community".

No. 6 Page 34. Insert after line 20:

Schedule 4 Inquiry into social impacts of gaming

The Government is to initiate an independent inquiry into the social impacts of gaming in New South Wales. The inquiry is to report to Parliament by 26 November 1998, and is to investigate:

- (a) the need for and form of a gaming commission or similar authority to oversee gaming in New South Wales, and

- (b) the relationship that should exist between the Casino Control Authority and any such gaming commission, and
- (c) measures to foster a responsible gaming environment, and
- (d) the co-ordination of the problem gaming policies of hotels, registered clubs and the casino, and
- (e) the co-ordination of problem gaming support services and research centres to address problem gaming,

and generally comment on the social impact of gaming in the State.

For the purposes of fixing the terms of reference of the inquiry, the Minister is to utilise existing studies, including any inquiry into gaming undertaken on behalf of the Commonwealth, and draw upon comments made on behalf of the State for the purposes of any such inquiry, and take into account suggestions from all interested organisations.

No. 7 Page 1, Long title. Insert “; and to provide for an inquiry into the social impact of gaming in the State” after “matters”.
