

Liquor (Rugby League Grand Final Special Provisions) Bill 2001

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to temporarily modify the application of the *Liquor Act 1982* to enable hotel trading until midnight on the night of the 2001 Rugby League Grand Final. This comprises an extension of normal hotel trading by 2 hours. The extension is granted because the Grand Final is to be held, not in the afternoon, but in the evening and is expected to finish at about 9.30 pm.

Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent.

Clause 3 provides that the proposed Act is to be construed with and as if it formed part of the *Liquor Act 1982*. The proposed Act therefore has effect as if it made unincorporable amendments to the *Liquor Act 1982*. The clause also provides that, in the event of an inconsistency between the proposed Act and the *Liquor Act 1982*, the proposed Act is to prevail to the extent of any inconsistency.

Clause 4 provides that liquor may be sold, supplied or consumed in hotels, and hotels may be kept open for such purposes, on Sunday 30 September 2001, the night of the Rugby League Grand Final, until midnight.

Clause 4 also provides that the proposed section does not authorise the sale, consumption or supply of liquor in a hotel contrary to a restriction or prohibition imposed, otherwise than under the section of the *Liquor Act 1982* that provides for the trading hours of hotels, in respect of the trading hours for the hotel.

Clause 4 further provides that nothing in the proposed section enables a person to operate an approved gaming device in a hotel other than at a time permitted by the proposed section.