



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE IMPACT OF GAMBLING

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INQUIRY INTO THE IMPACT OF GAMBLING

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A new parliamentary Select Committee has been established to inquire into and report on the impact of gambling on individuals and families in New South Wales.

Committee Chairman, the Revd the Hon Fred Nile MLC said “The Select Committee will examine the impact gambling has on people in New South Wales, with a particular focus on electronic gaming machines, telephone and internet gambling services.”

“The regulation of gambling advertising will be another area that the Committee will investigate along with measures to reduce the exposure of children and young people to gambling activities” said Revd Nile.

“We will also look at the adequacy and effectiveness of problem gambling help services and programs and public health measures to reduce the risk of gambling harm, taking into account what other Australian and overseas jurisdictions are doing in this area” commented Revd Nile.

“The Committee is keen to ensure the Inquiry engages with relevant stakeholders and encourages submissions from interested groups, organisations and individuals,” Revd Nile said.

The Committee is currently seeking written submissions, with a closing date of 7 March 2014. The Committee intends to report by end of October 2014.

For more information, including terms of reference and guidelines for making a submission, please visit the Committee’s website www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/gambling or contact the Committee secretariat on 9230 3534.

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