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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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PURPOSE

The intention of the amendment is to permanently extend trading hours during which liquor can be sold for consumption off licensed premises and to extend the trading hours during which liquor can be sold for consumption on licensed premises for Anzac Day 25 April 1998.

BACKGROUND

In response to industry concern the trading hour restrictions for the sale of liquor for consumption off licensed premises have been re-examined. The commencement hour for the sale of liquor for consumption off licensed premises is brought forward one hour to 7am to provide more flexibility for 'off' licensees, particularly the many general supermarkets which commence trading at 7am.

To enable traditional Anzac Day morning celebrations to be conducted on licensed premises it is necessary to remove the restrictions on trading hours for consumption of liquor on licensed premises.

DETAILS OF THE AMENDMENT

Regulation 3A is amended to allow the sale of liquor for consumption off licensed premises between 7am and 11pm on any day by omitting from subregulation (2) "8am" and substituting "7am" and by omitting from paragraph (3)(b) "8am" and substituting "7am".

Regulation 3A is amended to allow the sale of liquor for consumption on licensed premises at any time on 25 April 1998 by omitting subregulation (1) and paragraph (3)(a).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil