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GAMING MACHINE (COMPULSORY SURRENDER) AMENDMENT BILL 2024

SUPPLEMENTARY EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Overview

This supplementary explanatory statement outlines proposed amendments to the Gaming Machine (Compulsory Surrender) Amendment Bill 2024 as presented to the Legislative Assembly, to be moved by the Minister for Gaming.

The Government Amendments are minor and technical amendments to remove a clause which was inadvertently included in the Bill when drafting.

Climate impact

The Government Amendments do not have a climate impact.

Human rights implications

The Government Amendments do not engage any human rights.

Clause notes

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Clause 7

Proposed new section 10N (3)

Page 7, line 19 —

The Government Amendments remove this clause from the Bill.

Section 10N(3) provided the following:

On 2 July 2025, the commission must amend the authorisation certificate for each authorised premises to reduce the maximum number of authorisations a licensee may have under the authorisation certificate by the number surrendered for the premises—

(a) on 1 July 2025; and

(b) under section 37F, during the period beginning on 1 April 2025 and ending on 30 June 2025.

This section was inadvertently included in the Bill. While the *Parliamentary and Governing Agreement for the 10th Legislative Assembly* provides a commitment to reduce the maximum number of authorisations in the ACT to 3,500, it was not intended as part of this Bill to reduce the maximum number of authorisations on each venue's authorisation certificate as provided for by section 10N(3).

Therefore, section 10N(3) of clause 7 is not required to meet the policy intent of the Bill and has been removed.