

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 9 December 1997

CASINO CONTROL (MORATORIUM) AMENDMENT BILL

Proposed Amendments

RT HON JONATHAN HUNT, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 2: To omit proposed *new section 27A* (page 1, lines 14 to 19, and page 2, lines 1 to 20), and substitute the following section:

“27A. Authority not to consider applications received during moratorium—(1) In this section, and in **section 27B**, ‘moratorium’ means a 3-year period that takes effect from 16 October 1997.

“(2) In relation to an application received by the Authority during the moratorium, the Authority—

“(a) Must not consider the application:

“(b) Must not grant a licence in respect of the application:

“(c) Must return the application and any related documents, and any fee accompanying the application, to the applicant as soon as practicable.

“(3) The Authority may, in accordance with this Act, consider applications for, and grant, casino premises licences if the applications are received by the Authority before the moratorium takes effect or after it expires.

“(4) The Crown is not liable to pay costs, compensation, or damages to a person—

“(a) Who makes an application; or

“(b) Who, but for this section, would have made an application—

for a casino premises licence to the Authority during the moratorium.

“(5) This section applies despite sections 28 to 31.

To omit from proposed *new section 27B* the words “15 October 2000” (page 2, line 22), and substitute the words “the day on which the moratorium expires”.

Clause 3: To omit the words “16 October 2000” (page 2, line 23), and substitute the words “the day after the expiry of the moratorium described in **section 27A** (1) of the principal Act”.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Supplementary Order Paper differs from the Bill as introduced in that it provides for the moratorium to take effect from 16 October 1997, rather than to commence on 16 October 1997, which was the date of the introduction of the Bill. The effect of this is that the moratorium will not start until the day after the day on which the Bill was introduced.

