

House of Representatives
Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 9 September 2003

Gambling Bill

Proposed amendments

Lindsay Tisch, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 287

To omit from subclause (1AA) the words “the amount of Government funding applied each year for an integrated problem gambling strategy” (lines 12 and 13 on page 238), and substitute the words “the approximate cost of an integrated problem gambling strategy”.

To omit from subclause (1) the words “calculate the levy” (line 14 on page 238), and substitute the words “assist in estimating the proposed levy rates”.

To omit the formula from subclause (1) (lines 16 to 18 on page 238), and substitute the following formula:

$$\text{levy rate} = \frac{(((A \times W1) + (B \times W2)) \times C)}{D} \times (1-P1)$$

To omit items A to E of the formula in subclause (1) (line 20 on page 238 to line 2 on page 239), and substitute the following items:

- A is the estimated current player expenditure in a sector divided by the total estimated current player expenditure in all sectors subject to the levy
- B is the customer presentations to problem gambling services that can be attributed to gambling in a sector divided by total customer presentations to problem gambling services in which a sector that is subject to the levy can be identified
- C is the funding requirement for the period for which the levy is payable

- D is the forecast player expenditure in a sector for the period during which the levy is payable
- P1 is the proportion (zero to one) of C which the Minister determines “not fairly attributable” to the gambling operators, casinos, the Totalisator Agency Board, racing clubs and the Lotteries Commission levied for the period. This proportion is to be paid from gaming duties already collected
The value of P1 must be determined by the Minister
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Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper replaces Supplementary Order Paper No 64.

The inclusion of (1-P1) to the proposed problem gambling levy formula will give greater flexibility and equity to funding and contributory options and protect the funding available to New Zealand community groups.

The formula (1-P1) recognises the Government’s involvement as the single largest benefactor of the gaming industry.

The formula (1-P1) recognises that the collection of gaming duties from gambling operators was originally introduced to “offset the social costs” of gambling.

The formula (1-P1) identifies that large scale public health initiatives (generally described as outside of those costs that are fairly attributed to the gaming industry) could in part be paid for from the substantial gaming duties already collected from the industry.
