

**House of Representatives**  
**Supplementary Order Paper**

**Tuesday, 18 March 2003**

**Responsible Gambling Bill**

*Proposed amendments*

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

*Clause 287*

To omit subclause (1AA) (lines 10 to 13 on page 238), and substitute the following subclause:

- (1AA) The formula in **subsection (1)** provides a mechanism for allocating among gambling operators, and collecting from them, the amount of Government funding applied each year for an integrated problem gambling strategy, and allows the Minister to place a value on costs not directly associated with the gambling operators, casinos, the Totalisator Agency Board, racing clubs and the Lotteries Commission.

To omit subclause (1) (lines 14 to 18 on page 238), and substitute the following subclause:

- (1) The following formula is to be used to calculate the levy payable by gambling operators and the Government contribution:

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

To insert in subclause (1), after item E (after line 2 on page 239), the following item:

- P1 is the proportion (zero to one) of C which the Minister determines “not fairly attributable” to the gambling operators levied for this period. This proportion is to be paid from gaming duties already collected.

To add to subclause (2), after paragraph (f) (after line 30 on page 240), the following paragraph:

- (g) the value of P1 must be determined by the Minister.
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### **Explanatory note**

This Supplementary Order Paper replaces SOP No 63.

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.

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