House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 6 August 2013

Gambling (Gambling Harm Reduction) Amendment Bill

Proposed amendments

Hon Trevor Mallard, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 19

In clause 19, new section 314(1)(ga), (line 12 on page 8), replace "pre-commitment, player tracking, or" with "player tracking or".

New clauses 20 and 21

After clause 19 (after line 14 on page 8), insert:

New section 84A inserted (Use of pre-commitment devices, technology or systems)

After section 84, insert:

- "84A Use of pre-commitment devices, technology, or systems
 - All class 4 gambling operators must require the use of player tracking devices, pre-commitment cards, or other devices designed to permit responsible gambling and—
 - "(a) maximise player knowledge about, and control over, their gambling; or
 - "(b) minimise gambling-related harm originating at the venue."
- New section 187A inserted (Use of pre-commitment devices, technology, or systems)

After section 187, insert:

"187A Use of pre-commitment devices, technology or systems

All casinos must require the use of player tracking devices, pre-commitment cards, or other devices designed to permit responsible gambling and—

- "(a) maximise player knowledge about, and control over, their gambling; or
- "(b) minimise gambling-related harm originating at the venue."

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends the Gambling (Gambling Harm Reduction) Amendment Bill to provide that the Governor-General may, by Order in Council made on the recommendation of the Minister, make regulations for the purposes of prescribing the use of player tracking or other harm-minimisation devices, technology, or systems in or associated with gaming machines.

This Supplementary Order Paper also requires all class 4 gambling operators and casinos to use player tracking devices, pre-commitment cards, or other devices designed to permit responsible gambling and maximise player knowledge about, and control over, their gambling, or minimise gambling-related harm originating at the venue. A similar provision was included in the Bill as introduced but the Commerce Committee recommended the provisions' deletion.