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Gaming Machine Control Act 1991

MINISTERIAL DIRECTION

I John Pandazopoulos, MP, Minister for Gaming, under section 12(1) of the **Gaming Machine Control Act 1991** ('the Act') revoke all previous directions to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority and, in substitution, direct the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority –

- (a) that, under section 12(1)(a), the maximum number of gaming machines permitted in the State to be available for gaming in all approved venues under the Act, other than the Melbourne Casino is 27,500; and
- (b) that, under section 12(1)(b), in respect of the 27,500 gaming machines permitted to be available for gaming in all approved venues under the Act, other than the Melbourne Casino, the proportion of gaming machines to be located outside the Melbourne Statistical Division is not less than 20 percent; and
- (c) that, under section 12(1)(c), in respect of the 27,500 gaming machines permitted to be available for gaming in all approved venues under the Act, other than the Melbourne Casino, the maximum permissible number of gaming machines to be placed–
 - (i) in restricted areas in the State is 105 with no bet limit applying; and
 - (ii) in unrestricted areas in the State is 0; and
- (d) that, under section 12(1)(d), in respect of the 27,500 gaming machines permitted to be available for gaming in all approved venues under the Act, other than the Melbourne Casino, the proportion to be placed in premises is –
 - (i) in the case of premises in respect of which a general licence under section 8 of the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998** is in force, 50 per cent; and
 - (ii) in the case of premises in which –
 - (A) a full club licence under section 10 of the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998** is in force; or
 - (B) a restricted club licence under section 10 of the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998** is in force; or
 - (C) a licence under Part I of the **Racing Act 1958** is in force, 50 per cent; and
- (e) that, under section 12(1)(e), in respect of the 27,500 gaming machines permitted to be available for gaming in all approved venues under the Act, other than the Melbourne Casino, the proportion of gaming machines which each gaming operator is permitted to operate is 50 percent; and
- (f) that, in respect of a region determined by the Minister in his order under section 12AA(1)(a) of the Act dated 15 February 2001, where the Authority, in accordance with section 12AA(3)(b), directs gaming operators in the region to comply with the regional limit on the maximum number of gaming machines available for gaming in the region, and when all the gaming operators have complied with the regional limit –
 - (i) under section 12(1)(d), the distribution of gaming machines between –
 - (A) premises in respect of which there is in force a general licence under section 8 of the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**; and
 - (B) premises in respect of which there is in force –
 - a full club licence under section 10 of the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**; or

- a restricted club licence under section 10 of the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**; or
 - a licence under Part I of the **Racing Act 1958**,
- in the region must be as close as practicable to that as at 30 June 2000; and
- (ii) under section 12(1)(e), the distribution of gaming machines between the gaming operators in the region must be as close as practicable to that as at 30 June 2000.

Dated 13 August 2002

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