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## **Gambling Regulation Act 2003**

SECTION 2.5A.6

Notice is hereby given by the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation (the Commission) that on 12 December 2011, the Hon Michael O'Brien MP, Minister for Gaming, pursuant to section 2.5A.2 of the **Gambling Regulation Act 2003** made an interim ban order, to take effect from 22 December 2011, banning the practice as defined below.

The banned practice is the practice of allowing the use of earphones, earpieces, headphones, headsets or any other device on a gaming machine that converts signals from a gaming machine to audible sound that is delivered to the ear of a person playing a gaming machine and is not designed or intended to assist a hearing impaired person.

It is an offence for a person whilst an interim ban order is in force to adopt this gambling practice. The penalty for doing so is a maximum fine of \$122,140.

The Hon Michael O'Brien MP, has directed the Commission to investigate this banned practice and provide a written report to the Minister advising as to whether this practice should be made the subject of a fixed term ban order.

MARK BRENNAN Chairperson

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