

PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA

**Gaming Machine Control (Community Support
Fund) Act 1996**

Act No.

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Initiated in Assembly 29 May 1996

A BILL

to amend the **Gaming Machine Control Act 1991** with respect to the Community Support Fund and for other purposes.

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The Parliament of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. *Purpose*

The purpose of this Act is to amend the **Gaming Machine Control Act 1991** to change the mode of application of money in the Community Support Fund.

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2. Commencement

This Act comes into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

3. Principal Act

In this Act, the **Gaming Machine Control Act 1991** is called the Principal Act.

4. Application of Community Support Fund

In section 138 of the Principal Act, for sub-section (4) **substitute**—

"(4) The Minister may apply money in the Fund—

(a) first, for payment to the Research and Development Fund established under this section, the amount of such payment to be determined by the Minister;

(b) secondly, for payment for or towards the provision of any one or more of the following—

(i) programs for the prevention of compulsive gambling or for the treatment or rehabilitation of persons who are compulsive gamblers;

(ii) programs for the treatment or rehabilitation of persons who are addicted to or abuse drugs;

(iii) educational programs relating to drug addiction or drug abuse;

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- (iv) programs for financial counselling services or support and assistance for families in crisis;
 - (v) programs for the benefit of youth;
 - (vi) research or pilot programs relating to community advancement programs;
 - (vii) programs for the benefit of sport or recreation;
 - (viii) programs for the promotion or benefit of the arts;
 - (ix) programs establishing or developing tourist destinations or facilities or services or for the purposes of promoting tourism;
 - (x) any other programs or purposes relating to the support or advancement of the community as determined by the Minister."

5. Saving

The amendments to the Principal Act by this Act do not apply to money applied by the Minister under section 138 of the Principal Act before the commencement of this Act.

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