

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 21 of 1989

AN ACT

to amend the Racing and Betting Act

[Assented to 15 June 1989]

B^E it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978 of the Commonwealth, as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the Racing and Betting Amendment Act 1989.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.

REPEAL AND SUBSTITUTION

Section 73 of the *Racing and Betting Act* is repealed and the following substituted:

"73. SUPPLY AND CONTROL OF BETTING TICKETS

"(1) Subject to subsection (2), all betting tickets used by a bookmaker shall be printed by or at the direction of the Government Printer in an approved form and shall be purchased from the Commission.

"(2) Where a bookmaker, with the prior written approval of the Commission, uses any equipment, device or service for the recording of bets that issues or causes to be issued a form of betting ticket other than the form approved under subsection (1), the Commission may, after entering into such arrangements with that bookmaker as are, in its opinion, adequate to secure the full and proper payment of the purchase price that the bookmaker is liable, or may become liable, to pay under subsection (1), approve, in writing, the use by the bookmaker of a form of betting ticket other than the form approved under subsection (1).

- "(3) A person -
- (a) shall not purchase or otherwise acquire a betting ticket in the form referred to in subsection (1) unless that person is a bookmaker and the betting ticket is purchased from the Commission for use in bookmaking by the bookmaker;
- (b) other than the Commission, shall not sell or supply (except as a bookmaker issuing or delivering it to a bettor in respect of a bet) or cause or permit to be sold or supplied to a person a betting ticket; or
- (c) shall not issue or deliver, or cause or permit to be issued or delivered, to a bettor a betting ticket in a form other than that approved under this section.

Penalty: \$2,000.

"73A. COMMISSION TO DETERMINE PURCHASE PRICE

"For the purposes of sections 73 and 75 the purchase price of a betting ticket and a betting sheet shall be as determined, from time to time, by the Commission.".

4. TRANSITIONAL

(1) A betting ticket purchased from the Commissioner of Taxes under section 73(1) of the *Racing and Betting Act*, as in force before the commencement of this Act, and not issued before that commencement shall, on and from that commencement, be deemed to be a betting ticket approved by, and purchased from, the Commission under section 73(1) of the *Racing and Betting Act*, as substituted by this Act.

(2) An arrangement entered into under section 73(4) of the *Racing and Betting Act*, as in force before the commencement of this Act, which arrangement is in force immediately before that commencement, shall, on and from that commencement, be deemed to be an arrangement entered into by the Commission and the bookmaker under section 73(2) of the *Racing and Betting Act*, as substituted by this Act.

(3) This section shall expire at the expiration of 12 months after the date of the commencement of this Act.

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