[CONFIDENTIAL.]

(Rough Draft for Consideration Only.)

No. , 1921.

A BILL

To amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Gaming and Short title. Betting (Amendment) Act, 1921," and shall be read and construed with the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act. 2.

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2. Section fifty-one of the Principal Act is amended Amendment of s. 51 of Principal Act.

- (1) By omitting subsection one and inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—
 - (1) No race-meeting shall be held on any racecourse unless such racecourse is licensed under this Act for horse-racing, pony racing, or trotting contests, as the case may be. Where any two or more of such classes of race-meeting as aforesaid are held on the same racecourse, such racecourse shall be licensed separately in respect of each such class;

(2) by omitting paragraph (b) of subsection three, and inserting in lieu thereof the following paragraph:—

(b) Where the racecourse is situate within forty miles of the principal post office, Newcastle, the number shall be fifteen, or the number of days on which such meetings were held on such racecourse during the twelve months ending the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, whichever number is the smaller: Provided that—

(i) such meetings may be held on any such racecourse on at least six days in any one year; and

- (ii) in addition to the maximum number of days so fixed as aforesaid, a meeting for horse-racing may be held in aid of a public charitable institution or public charity, on one and not more than one day in any one year, on any such racecourse.
- 3. Section fifty-two of the Principal Act is amended Amendment as follows:—

 Amendment of s. 52 ibid.
 - (1) In subsection three, by adding at the end of paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) respectively the words "for each license issued to it."

(2) In subsection four, by omitting the second paragraph and inserting the following para-

graph in lieu thereof:-

The number of licenses for racecourses situate within forty miles of the principal post office, Newcastle, shall not exceed by more than one the number of racecourses so situate and in use for race-meetings within the three months aforesaid; and one of such licenses shall be issued in respect of trotting contests.