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No. , 1931.

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## A BILL

To make further provision for the suppression of betting and wagering; to amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

[MR. GOSLING :— *December, 1931.*]

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**B**E 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.** (1) This Act may be cited as the "Gaming and Betting (Amendment) Act, 1931." Short title

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(2) The Gaming and Betting Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912- 5 1930.

Amendment of Act No. 25, 1912. (Betting in streets and licensed premises.) Sec. 5.

2. The Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting in the short heading before section five after the word "streets" the words "or licensed premises"; 10

(b) (i) by inserting in section five after the word "street" wherever occurring the words "or licensed premises";

(ii) by omitting from the same section the words "twenty pounds" and by inserting 15 in lieu thereof the words "fifty pounds";

(iii) by inserting in the same section after the words "six months" the words "and shall in any case be liable to forfeit all moneys, coin, notes, cheques, IOU's, or other 20 writings for securing the payment of money, and all lists, cards, or other documents relating to racing or betting which may be found in his possession at the time of his arrest"; 25

(iv) by inserting at the end of the same section the following paragraph:—

For the purposes of this section and of section six of this Act, "licensed premises" means and includes— 30

(a) premises which are licensed under the Liquor Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and

(b) premises in respect of which a license under the Billiards and Bagatelle 35 Act, 1902, is held; and

(c) any theatre or public hall in respect of which a license under the Theatres and Public Halls Act, 1908, is held";

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- (c) by inserting in section six after the word "street" wherever occurring the words "or licensed premises";
- 5 (d) by inserting in Form C and in Form D of the Third Schedule after the word "street" wherever occurring the words "(or in certain licensed premises to wit—*here insert description and situation of the licensed premises*)."
- 3. The Principal Act is further amended—
  - 10 (a) (i) by inserting in section seven after the word "wagering" wherever occurring the words "or attempting to bet or wager";
  - 15 (ii) by inserting in the same section after the word "punishment" the words "and forfeitures";
  - (b) by omitting from section nine the words "not exceeding fifty pounds" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "of not less than fifty pounds nor more than one hundred pounds, and also to the forfeitures mentioned in section five."
- 4. The Principal Act is further amended by inserting the following section next after section fourteen—
  - 25 14A. (1) Any person who—
    - 30 (a) causes or procures or attempts to cause or procure any young person to convey or deliver any slip, note, or message, verbal or written, which relates to any bet or wager, or to convey or deliver any information, advice, or money for the purpose of making or procuring the making of any bet or wager, or which relates to any bet or wager already made, to any bookmaker or to the agent, clerk, or servant of a bookmaker; or
    - 35 (b) being a bookmaker, or the agent, clerk, or servant of a bookmaker, accepts from a young person any such slip, note, message, information, advice, or money,

shall

Further amendment of Act No. 25, 1912. (Betting on sports grounds.) Sec. 7.

Further amendment of Act No. 25, 1912. New s. 14A.

Young persons conveying betting messages. cf. 18 & 19 Geo. V, c. 27.

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shall be liable for the first offence to a penalty not exceeding *fifty* pounds or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding *three* months, and for a second or any subsequent offence, to a penalty of not less than *fifty* pounds and not exceeding *one hundred* pounds, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding *six* months. 5

(2) In this section the expression "young person" means a person under the age of sixteen years (not being an officer in the postal service acting in the course of his duty). 10

Further amendment of Act No. 25, 1912. (Penalties.)

5. The Principal Act is further amended—

Sec. 17.

(a) by inserting in section seventeen after the word "penalty" the words "of not less than *fifty* pounds and"; 15

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(b) by inserting in section eighteen after the word "penalty" the words "of not less than *fifty* pounds and";

Sec. 44.

(c) (i) by omitting from subsection one of section forty-four all words following the word "liable" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "for a first offence to a penalty of not less than *fifty* pounds and not exceeding *two hundred* pounds, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding *six* months, and for a second or any subsequent offence to imprisonment for a term of not less than *three* months and not exceeding *nine* months"; 20 25

(ii) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the word "penalty" the words "of not less than *ten* pounds and"; 30

Sec. 45.

(d) by omitting from section forty-five all words following the word "penalty" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "of not less than *fifty* pounds and not exceeding *two hundred* pounds, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding *six* months"; 35

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5 (e) by omitting from section forty-seven all words following the word "penalty" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "of not less than *fifty* pounds and not exceeding *two hundred* pounds, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months." Sec. 47.

6. The Principal Act is further amended— Further amendment of Act No. 25, 1912.

10 (a) by omitting from subsection one of section forty-two the words "or by any other means of correspondence" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "by telephone, by wireless signal, or by any method or means of correspondence or communication"; (Betting houses suppression.) Sec. 42.

15 (b) by omitting paragraph (b) of section forty-six and by inserting in lieu thereof the following paragraph:— Sec. 46.

20 (b) publishes in a newspaper or by wireless broadcasting, the odds on any race, contest, or course, which is to be run or decided or which has been run or decided at a meeting for horse racing or pony racing or trotting contests, or at a coursing meeting.

