

Joint Select Committee on Gambling Reform

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

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Question:

Is the Treasury modelling looking at the impact of discretionary income being spent elsewhere where there is a reduction in money being lost on poker machines?

Will modelling be done on where that money would be diverted to and what effects that would have on GST, payroll tax receipts for states and other aspects of the economy and also in terms of jobs?

Topic: Problem Gambling

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Answer:

The Treasury has not undertaken analysis on possible changes to individual spending behaviour as a result of the proposed reforms.

The Government has commissioned an independent study on the impacts of a reduction in problem gambling on other revenue flows and individual spending behaviour which is expected to provide more information on the economy-wide impacts of the proposed reforms.