1. In June 2022, the Government appointed the Honourable Robert Gotterson AO KC to conduct an External Review of the Queensland Operations of The Star Entertainment Group Limited (The Star).
2. The External Review made 12 recommendations for legislative reform to improve the regulation and integrity of casinos. The Government accepted the External Review’s recommendations in principle on 6 October 2022. Recommendation 12 of the External Review was implemented last year via the *Casino Control and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2022*.
3. The Casino Control and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2023 (the Bill) amends the *Casino Control Act 1982* (Casino Control Act) to implement the remaining 11 recommendations of the External Review. The Bill introduces a legislative framework to facilitate the following:
* mandatory carded play and pre-commitment for prescribed casino games, a daily cash limit, and the collection and use of carded play data for gambling harm research and casino oversight (recommendations 1 to 6);
* compliance with a code of conduct for casino operators that may be prescribed by regulation (recommendation 8);
* payment of a casino supervisory levy (recommendation 9);
* regular cost recoverable periodic reviews of casinos (recommendation 10); and
* a requirement for Queensland casino operators to take reasonable steps to issue a reciprocal exclusion to a person excluded by police from an interstate casino (recommendation 11).
1. The Bill also amends the Casino Control Act, *Gaming Machine Act 1991, Gaming Machine Regulation 2002, Keno Act 1996* and the *Wagering Act 1998* to update outdated ‘problem gambler’ terminology consistent with recommendation 7 of the External Review.
2. The Bill also introduces a range of measures under the Casino Control Act related to the recommendations of the External Review including an obligation on casino officers to exercise due diligence, an increase to a range of penalties under the Casino Control Act and *Casino Control Regulation 1999,* additional controls on the use of cash, authorisation for casinos to share exclusions data with each other, and real-time access to casino monitoring systems. The Bill also makes minor amendments to the Casino Control Act to modernise how inspectors obtain information, remove references to casino-based keno games, and allow minors and excluded persons to be interviewed on casino premises.
3. Cabinet approved that the Casino Control and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2023 be introduced into the Legislative Assembly.
4. *Attachments*
* [Casino Control and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Oct/CasinoOLAB/Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Oct/CasinoOLAB/Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)
* [Statement of Compatibility with the *Human Rights Act 2019*](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Oct/CasinoOLAB/Attachments/SoC.PDF)