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Subject:

Submission to the Joint Select Committee on Future Gaming Markets

## Dear Committee members,

I am writing to express my view that pokie machines should be removed from establishments in our communities. We hear story after story of the lives and families devastated by gambling addictions. Surely this is evidence enough of the damage these machines are causing our community?

I personally don't use these machines very often, not even once a year. Fortunately when I do, I can treat them as a bit of light entertainment and easily manage my expenditure. However, I am more than willing to forgo this entertainment option if it helps those people in our community who are susceptible to gambling addictions.

If pokie machines are retained in the State's two casinos, then I feel that this still provides an entertainment option to those who seek such pursuits.

Yours sincerely, Sharyn White