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Subject: Submission to the Joint Select Committee on Future Gaming Markets

Dear Members of the Committee,

I call for the Tasmanian Government to do all it can to stop money being taken from Tasmanians who can least afford it.

I have had at least 2 friends experience hardship because of poker machines. Both suffered significant financial debt & loss, and mental health and relationship problems. I know that my friends aren't alone, Tasmanians lose \$200 million a year to poker machines.

I don't want poker machines in my suburb or any pubs/clubs in the greater Hobart area. I would prefer to see poker machines restricted to Casino venues to minimise their impact on Tasmanians. I have a young child and I do avoid outings to local hotels that have poker machines to avoid her exposure to gambling.

Most Tasmanians don't want poker machines increased. I personally think it is unethical for Government and private rich companies to make money by taking this from people who led into addiction by the design & siting of poker machines.

Please act to stop new licenses being issued and stem the damage.

Yours sincerely, Rebecca Essex

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