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

Dear Members of the Committee, Those in my networks who belong to several non-government organisations are extremely concerned that poker machines are manufactured to encourage users to become addicted. Tthey have spread from casinos into many pubs and clubs so that they are thick in areas where there is greater unemployment and poverty. Most of the women at the meetings where the issue has been discussed know of persons who have become addicted. This has destroyed family life and income to the extent that grandparents who have helped the addicted are also now on welfare when then should have been comfortable in retirement. Some of these groups will not make a submission for fear that those they know will be identified. Please recommend that poker machines be removed from premises other than casinos and all machines re-calibrated to give reasonable odds to protect user's incomes.

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