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

Dear Members of the Committee,

As you take the opportunity to seriously consider the future of Tasmanians regarding the issue of poker machines, I urge you to revisit the reasons that you were elected to represent the Tasmanian community.

The government is tasked with taking action to ensure the ongoing health and wellbeing of the people they represent.

Poker machines are designed to addict. They are designed to give the machine the advantage over the person using it – such that they inevitably lose money. Poker machine addiction damages the health of those affected particularly through stress; and causes family breakdown, financial stress, poverty, job loss and homelessness.

I am calling on the Tasmanian Parliament to make a principled decision – that it will not accept revenue raising from activities that we know cause tremendous harm and suffering to our community.

Yours sincerely, Ruth Priest

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