

# **PROVINCE OF THE EASTERN CAPE**

## **EASTERN CAPE GAMBLING AMENDMENT BILL, 2023**

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**(As introduced)**

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**(MEC OF FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND  
TOURISM)**

**B /2023(EC)**

## GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:

[            ]        **Words in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from existing enactments.**

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## BILL

To amend the Gambling Act, 1997 (Eastern Cape) (Act 5 of 1997), so as to align with the National Gambling Act, 2004; and to provide for uniformity to determine the period of validity of licences.

BE IT ENACTED by the Provincial Legislature of the Province of the Eastern Cape, as follows:

### **Amendment of section 33(7) of Act No. 5 of 1997**

1. Section 33(7) of the principal Act, is hereby amended by the substitution for section 37 of the following section:

“(7) Subject to the payment of the applicable annual fee and any other condition which may have an impact on the validity of a licence, the period of validity of-

- (a) a casino licence is determined by the board **[the period referred to in section 45(3)];**
- (b) a bingo licence is determined by the board;
- (c) a route operator licence is determined by the board **[fifteen years];**
- (d) a gambling machine site licence is no longer than the remaining period of validity of the associated route operator licence;
- (e) a race course licence is determined by the board;

- (f) a totalisator licence is determined by the board; and
- (g) a bookmaker licence is determined by the board **[the period referred to in section 54(2)]**;

and shall be recorded on the face of the licence.

#### **Amendment of section 45(3) of Act No. 5 of 1997**

2. Section 45 of the Act is hereby amended by the deletion of subsection (3).

(3) **[The period of validity of a casino licence shall, subject to the provisions contained in sections 33(7) and 39, be 20 years: Provided that the board may, when there is a delay in issuing a new casino licence, extend the period of validity thereof for such period as the board may determine].**

#### **Amendment of section 54(2) of Act No. 5 of 1997**

3. Section 54 of the Act is hereby amended by the deletion of subsection (2).

(2) **[A bookmaker licence shall attach to the premises specified in the licence and shall, subject to the provisions of Section 39 (16) and 79 by valid for 5 years].**