STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2002 No. 1904

BETTING, GAMING AND LOTTERIES

The Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 2002

Made	19th July 2002
Laid before Parliament	22nd July 2002
Coming into force	12th August 2002

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by sections 20(3) and (8), 21(8), and 51(4) of the Gaming Act 1968(1), hereby makes the following Order:

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 2002.

- (2) This Order shall come into force on 12th August 2002.
- (3) In this Order "the 1968 Act" means the Gaming Act 1968.

2.—(1) Section 20(3) of the 1968 Act (under which the maximum permitted aggregate amount of winnings in respect of games of bingo played in one week simultaneously on different club premises is $\pounds 55,000(2)$) shall have effect with the substitution, for the reference to the sum specified in that subsection, of a reference to the sum of $\pounds 500,000$.

(2) Section 20(8) of the 1968 Act (under which the maximum amount by which weekly winnings on any particular bingo club premises may exceed the aggregate amount of the stakes hazarded is $\pounds 10,000(3)$) shall have effect with the substitution, for the reference to the sum specified in that subsection, of a reference to the sum of $\pounds 20,000$.

3. It is hereby directed that section 21(2)(b) and (e) of the 1968 Act (conditions on which gaming for prizes is permitted at licensed club premises) shall have effect as if—

- (a) for the sum specified in paragraph (b) there were substituted the sum of $\pounds 500(4)$;
- (b) for the sum specified in paragraph (e) there were substituted the sum of $\pounds 500(5)$.

^{(1) 1968} c. 65; section 20(3) was amended by section 1 of the Gaming (Amendment) Act 1980 (c. 8).

⁽²⁾ The sum of £55,000 is as substituted by article 2(1) of the Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 2001 (S.I.2001/757).

⁽³⁾ The sum of £10,000 is as substituted by article 2(2) of the Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/757).

⁽⁴⁾ By virtue of article 3(a) of S.I. 2000/1213 paragraph (b) currently has effect as if £120 was substituted for the sum specified in that paragraph.

⁽⁵⁾ By virtue of article 3(b) of S.I. 2000/1213 paragraph (e) currently has effect as if £120 was substituted for the sum specified in that paragraph.

4. Article 3 of the Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 2000(6) and article 2 of the Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 2001(7) are hereby revoked.

19th July 2002

Richard Caborn Minister of State, Department for Culture, Media and Sport

⁽⁶⁾ S.I. 2000/1213.
(7) S.I. 2001/757.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order increases the monetary limits specified in sections 20(3) and (8) and 21(2)(b) and (e) of the Gaming Act 1968 (c. 65) and described by articles 2 and 3 of this Order. The effect of this Order is to increase—

- (a) the maximum added weekly prize money for bingo games played in any one club from £10,000 to £20,000;
- (b) the aggregate weekly prize in linked bingo games played in any club from £55,000 to £500,000;
- (c) the total take, and total prizes, in prize bingo games, as played in bingo clubs from £120 to £500.

A full Regulatory Impact Assessment of the costs and benefits of this Order is available from the Gambling and National Lottery Licensing Division, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, 2-4 Cockspur Street, London SW1Y 5DH. Telephone 020 7211 6498.