

COAG SELECT COUNCIL ON GAMBLING REFORM: MEMBERSHIP

COMMONWEALTH (Co-Chairs)	The Hon Jenny Macklin MP , Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs The Hon Bill Shorten MP , Assistant Treasurer
NSW	The Hon Eric Roozendaal MLC , Treasurer, Special Minister of State The Hon Kevin Greene MP , Minister for Gaming and Racing
VIC	The Hon Michael O'Brien MP , Minister for Gaming The Hon Kim Wells MP , Treasurer
QLD	The Hon Peter Lawlor MP , Minister for Tourism and Fair Trading The Hon Karen Struthers MP , Minister for Community Services and Housing
SA	The Hon Jack Snelling MP , Treasurer The Hon Bernard Finnigan MLC , Minister for Gambling, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for State/Local Government Relations
TAS	The Hon Lara Giddings MP , Premier, Treasurer The Hon Cassy O'Connor MP , Minister for Human Services, Minister for Community Development
NT	The Hon Delia Lawrie MLA , Treasurer, Minister for Racing, Gambling and Licensing The Hon Konstantine Vatskalis MLA , Minister for Children and Families
ACT	Mr Andrew Barr MLA , Minister for Gaming and Racing Ms Joy Burch MLA , Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services

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TERMS OF REFERENCE AND GOVERNANCE**

Co-Chairs	Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon Jenny Macklin MP, and Assistant Treasurer, the Hon Bill Shorten MP.
Membership	Australian, State and Territory Government Treasurers and Ministers with responsibility for gambling regulation or Treasury portfolios and community and human services portfolios. The invitation for Western Australia to join the Council has been declined but remains open. Up to two representatives from each jurisdiction. The Council will decide whether any other parties should be members or consulted, or attend as observers. Additional expertise will be sourced as required.
Purpose	The Select Council on Gambling Reform has been established to develop a national response to the findings and recommendations of the Productivity Commission Report on Gambling.
Terms of Reference	<p>The Select Council will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. consider the recommendations of the Productivity Commission Report on Gambling and, building on the work of the Ministerial Council on Gambling, develop a national approach to minimise the harm caused by problem gambling for the consideration of the Council of Australian Governments, and 2. provide advice to the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) on monitoring and implementation of a national response to the findings and recommendations of the Productivity Commission Report on Gambling, and 3. consider issues and impacts associated with online gambling, and issues related to problem gambling in Indigenous communities, including non-commercial gambling.
Operations and Resourcing	<p>The Council will be supported by a Senior Officials Working Group with up to three members from each jurisdiction. The Council may also establish sub-working groups of officials to undertake specific tasks.</p> <p>Secretariat support will be provided by the Commonwealth Department of Families, Housing, Community Services, and Indigenous Affairs.</p>
Decision-Making	Decision making will be by consensus.
Frequency of meetings	<p>Meetings will be held at least three times per year.</p> <p>The Council held its first meeting on 22 October 2010 and is expected to meet again on 25 February 2011 and May 2011.</p>
Reporting	<p>The Council will provide progress reports to COAG [through the COAG Unit in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet] as per the agreed key milestones in its project plan and at least biannually.</p> <p>The Council will provide a final report to COAG by a date yet to be negotiated. The first report to COAG will be provided by 31 May 2011.</p>