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Senator Bernardi asked:

Has a cost benefit analysis on the National Gambling Reform Bill 2012 been completed?

Answer:

The measures to reduce the harm caused by gaming machines in the National Gambling Reform Bill 2012 are based on the findings and recommendations of the 2010 Productivity Commission inquiry into gambling. This 2010 inquiry updated the 1999 Productivity Commission inquiry and its recommendations were based on detailed short and long run analysis of the costs and benefits of gambling activity and gambling harm minimisation strategies.