



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

No. 250

WRITTEN QUESTION

J Davis to the Minister for Racing, Hon Marie-Clare Boothby MLA:

Racing and Gaming Licensing Integrity

1. Section 19C of the Racing and Wagering Act 2024 requires a member of the Northern Territory Racing and Wagering Commission to give the Minister written notice of each conflicting interest within 10 business days of appointment, and within 5 business days of acquiring one. Section 19C(4) provides that a member's failure to comply "does not affect the validity of a decision of the Commission".
 - a. On what date did the Racing and Wagering Act 2024 commence, and how many notices under section 19C(1) and 19C(2) has the Minister received since that date?
 - b. How many of those were given within the 10 or 5 business day period required, and how many outside it?
 - c. In how many matters did a member who had disclosed an interest take part in the decision?
 - d. Where are notices given under section 19C held, and is any register of them published? The section requires notice to the Minister and does not require the Commission to keep a register.
 - e. Given section 19C(4), what consequence follows for a member who does not comply, and how is compliance monitored?
 - f. How is the Department ensuring there are no conflicts of interest in licensing decisions, given that an undisclosed interest cannot invalidate the decision it touched?
2. In 2025–26, in respect of liquor, gaming and racing licences:
 - a. How many licences were revoked, and on what grounds?
 - b. How many were suspended, and on what grounds?

- c. How many had conditions imposed or varied following a compliance or disciplinary process?
 - d. How many infringement notices or other enforcement actions were issued?
 - e. If the number in any category is too small to report separately, please provide the total across all categories.
- 3. Budget Paper No. 3 for 2026–27 reports compliant liquor licensed premises at 95 per cent against a target of at least 90 per cent for 2025–26.
 - a. How many premises were inspected or assessed to produce that figure, and how many were found non-compliant?
 - b. What action was taken in respect of each non-compliant premises?
 - c. Are premises not inspected during the year counted as compliant for the purpose of that measure?