1995 No. 343

BETTING, GAMING AND LOTTERIES

Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements with Prizes (Variation of Fees and Monetary Limits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995

To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of Schedule I to the Northern Ireland Act 1974

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(2)(a), 37(2) and (5), 75(2), 76(5), 77(4), 111(8), 115(9), 126(15), 128(3), 136(15) and 154(7) of the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985(b) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and with the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel as regards Articles 2 and 11(1), hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements with Prizes (Variation of Fees and Monetary Limits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995 and shall come into operation on 26th October 1995.
- (2) In this Order "the Order" means the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985.

Track betting licence fees

- **2.**—(1) The fee to be attached to an application for the grant of a track betting licence under Article 37(2) of the Order shall instead of £35(\mathbf{c}) be £46.
- (2) The fee payable on the grant of a track betting licence and, during the currency of that licence, on the anniversary of that grant, under Article 37(5) of the Order shall instead of £350(c) be £464.

Maximum amount of weekly winnings in games of bingo played simultaneously on different bingo club premises

3. For the purposes of Article 75(2)(ii) of the Order instead of £4,500(\mathbf{d}) the amount £10,000 is hereby specified.

⁽a) See definition of "the Department"

⁽b) S.I. 1985/1204 (N.I. 11)

⁽c) S.R. 1987 No. 186

⁽d) Specified by S.R. 1992 No. 43

Maximum amount by which weekly winnings on bingo club premises may exceed the stakes hazarded

4. For the purposes of Article 76(5) of the Order instead of £2,000(a) the amount £2,500 is hereby specified.

Conditions governing gaming for prizes on bingo club premises

5. In Article 77(1)(b) and (e) of the Order for "£20"(b) there shall be substituted "£27.50".

Amusement permit fees

6. In Articles 111(1)(a) and 115(1)(a) of the Order for "£8.50" there shall be substituted "£32".

Maximum amounts permitted in gaming at entertainments not held for private

- 7.—(1) In Article 126 of the Order—
- (a) in paragraph (3) for "£2.50"(b) there shall be substituted "£3";
- (b) in paragraph (4) for "£250"(b) there shall be substituted "£300"; and
- (c) in paragraph (11)(b) for "£250"(b) and "£500"(b) there shall be substituted respectively "£300" and "£600".
- (2) Paragraph (1) shall have effect only in relation to entertainments held on or after 26th October 1995.

Maximum daily charge for play at certain clubs

8. In Article 128(2) of the Order for "£0·30"(b) there shall be substituted "£0.50".

Fees for the registration of societies for the purpose of promoting societies' lotteries

- 9. In Article 136 of the Order—
- (a) in paragraph (3) for "£25" there shall be substituted "£35"; and
- (b) in paragraph (8) for "£12.50" there shall be substituted "£17.50".

Conditions governing amusements with prizes at certain commercial entertainments

10. In Article 154(4)(b) of the Order for "£20"(b) there shall be substituted "£25".

Revocations

11.—(1) Article 2 of the Betting and Gaming (Fees and Variation of Monetary Limits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1987(c) is hereby revoked.

⁽a) Specified by S.R. 1992 No. 43

⁽b) Substituted by S.R. 1989 No. 476 (c) S.R. 1987 No. 186

- (2) The Gaming and Amusements with Prizes (Variation of Monetary Limits and Charges) Order (Northern Ireland) 1989(a) is hereby revoked.
- (3) Articles 2 and 3 of the Gaming and Gaming Machine (Variation of Monetary Limits and Charges) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992(b) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 31st August 1995.

(L.S.) J. R. Kearney

Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby consents to Articles 2 and 11(1).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 31st August 1995.

(L.S.) D. Thomson

Assistant Secretary

⁽b) S.R. 1992 No. 43

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order-

- (a) increases the fees payable under the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 in respect of track betting licences; the fee payable on application for a track betting licence is increased from £35 to £46 and the fee payable on the grant of, and anniversary of the grant of, such a licence is increased from £350 to £464:
- (b) increases the maximum permitted aggregate amount of winnings in respect of games of bingo played in 1 week simultaneously on different bingo club premises from £4,500 to £10,000;
- (c) increases the maximum amount by which weekly winnings on bingo club premises may exceed the stakes hazarded from £2,000 to £2,500;
- (d) increases, in any 1 determination of winners in gaming for prizes on bingo club premises, the maximum permitted aggregate amount taken by way of the sale of chances from £20 to £27.50 and the maximum permitted aggregate amount or value of prizes from £20 to £27.50;
- (e) increases the fee to be attached to an application for the grant or the renewal of an amusement permit from £8.50 to £32;
- (f) increases, in gaming at entertainments not held for private gain:—
 - (i) the maximum payment to be made by each player in respect of all the games at 1 entertainment from £2.50 to £3 and the total value of prizes and awards in respect of those games from £250 to £300;
 - (ii) the maximum payment to be made by each player in respect of all the games at 2 or more entertainments promoted on the same premises by the same persons on the same day from £2.50 to £3 and the total value of all the prizes and awards in respect of those games from £250 to £300;
 - (iii) the total value of prizes and awards in the final entertainment of a series of entertainments from £500 to £600;
- (g) increases the maximum daily charge for gaming in certain clubs from £0.30 to £0.50;
- (h) increases the fee payable to a district council on the registration of a society for the purpose of promoting societies' lotteries from £25 to £35 and also increases the annual fee payable by a society which has been registered from £12.50 to £17.50;
- (i) increases the maximum permitted aggregate amount taken by way of the sale of chances in any 1 determination of winners in amusements with prizes at certain commercial entertainments from £20 to £25.