

Royal Commission Submission

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Dear Commissioner,

As noted in the Alliance for Gambling Reform submission dated 31 May, I strongly support a universal, identity-linked cashless gambling card as an important harm minimisation strategy. I also wholeheartedly agreed with Commissioner Bergin's assessment of this as "a powerful mechanism to assist in combating money laundering".

The Bergin Inquiry recommended moving to a cashless payment scheme given the evidence provided regarding money-laundering in Crown casinos. This was an important recommendation that would be made all the more powerful if found again in this instance. A recommendation supporting this proposal in Victoria would have implications not just for the casino operator, but for harm reduction policy settings across the nation.

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