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Bill No. 32 of 1982

#### CASINO (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1982

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#### MEMORANDUM

A draft of the above Bill, which it is proposed to present to the National Assembly, is set out below.

2. The object of the Bill is to effect minor amendments to the Casino Act. The Bill seeks to amend section 9 (4) by reducing the period of validity of licence from 10 years to 5 years. The Bill also proposes prohibition of the use of personal cheques in gambling as a result of loss of revenue following dishonoured personal cheques. The Bill further proposes a change in the payment of the monthly levy under section 23. Under the existing law every licensee is required to pay a levy of 15 per cent of his gaming revenue for each month. The new rate at which the levy shall be paid is to be determined from time to time by the Board.

3. The Bill further proposes to enable the Minister to make regulations empowering the Board to impose financial penalties for the breach of certain terms and conditions of the licence for which cancellation of the licence is not warranted.

#### G.T.K. CHIEPE, Acting Minister of Commerce and Industry.

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### A BILL

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#### An Act to amend the Casino Act

Date of Assent: Date of Commencement: ENACTED by the Parliament of Botswana.

1. This Act may be cited as the Casino (Amendment) Act, 1982.

2. Section 9 (4) of the Casino Act (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act") is hereby amended by substituting for the word 'ten" which appears therein, the word "five".

3. The principal Act is amended by substituting for section 18 of new section thereof the new section following -

> "18(1) No person shall participate in any game in a participate in Casino, and no licensee or servant of a licensee shall games only for cash basis permit any person to participate in any game in a Casino except on a cash basis.

> > (2) For the purposes of this section, "cash" includes travellers' cheques and credit cards but excludes personal cheques and other forms of credit."

4. Section 23 of the principal Act is hereby amended by substituting for the words "15 per centum of his gaming revenue for that month" the words "such percentage of his gaming revenue for that month as may be determined by the Board."

5. Section 35 of the principal Act is hereby amended in subsection 1 by inserting therein immediately after paragraph (e)thereof, the new paragraph following —

> provide for the imposition and recovery of "(f)" financial penalties by the Board on licensees for breaches of the terms and conditions of the licences which in the opinion of the Board do not warrant cancellation of such licences."

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