

Media Release

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CROWN ROYAL COMMISSION FINAL REPORT TO BE DELIVERED

The Royal Commission into the Casino Operator Licence will hand its final report to the Governor of Victoria tomorrow after months of public hearings examining whether Crown Melbourne is suitable to hold a casino licence.

The Victorian Government looks forward to receiving the final report and will closely consider its findings and recommendations.

The final report and the Government's response will be released prior to the end of this month.

This approach is similar to that taken by the NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority to the final report of the Bergin Inquiry earlier this year.

The Government is working to combat illegal and unethical behaviour in the gambling industry and already taking action to overhaul the regulation of gambling in Victoria.

Work is underway to set up the Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission, which will include a dedicated casino regulation division focused solely on oversight of the casino.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation, Melissa Horne

"An incredible amount of work has gone into the Royal Commission into the Casino Operator Licence and we thank Raymond Finkelstein for his report."

"We'll consider the findings and recommendations from the Royal Commission in detail and take whatever action is necessary to strengthen casino oversight in Victoria and ensure this never happens again."