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**MEDIA STATEMENT BY
MR SIM GIM GUAN, CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL COUNCIL ON PROBLEM GAMBLING
ON THE PASSING OF THE GAMBLING REGULATORY AUTHORITY BILL AND
GAMBLING CONTROL BILL**

The National Council on Problem Gambling supports the passing of the two new Gambling Bills. The regulatory changes ensure that gambling laws in Singapore keep pace with technology and trends, and better protect individuals and families from problem gambling.

Problem gambling is a complex issue, and a preventive approach is most effective, especially for vulnerable groups, such as lower-income families. The NCPG is happy that our feedback to the Government, that the Exclusion by Law should be extended to all tenants and occupiers on public rental housing, was accepted. The NCPG looks forward to continuing our constructive relationship with the Government, including the Gambling Regulatory Authority (GRA) and the Ministry of Social and Family Development, on social issues that may arise from problem gambling.

NCPG will continue to work with the GRA to execute the exclusions and visit limits regime in accordance with the Casino Control Act and the new Gambling Control Bill. NCPG will also continue to run public education campaigns to raise awareness on the harms of problem gambling and provide help services. Individuals or families who need help can call the NCPG Helpline at 1800-6-668-668 or webchat us at www.npcg.org.sg.