



New South Wales

# Liquor Amendment (Special Events Hotel Trading) Bill 2002

## Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

### Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Liquor Act 1982* so as:

- (a) to enable hotel trading until midnight on Sunday 30 June 2002, the night of the 2002 FIFA World Cup soccer final, and
- (b) to enable hotel trading until midnight on other Sundays on which events of State, national or international significance are held.

The effect of the proposed amendment is to extend normal Sunday hotel trading by 2 hours on those nights.

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## Outline of provisions

**Clause 1** sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

**Clause 2** provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent.

**Clause 3** is a formal provision giving effect to the amendment to the *Liquor Act 1982* set out in Schedule 1.

**Schedule 1** contains the amendment described in the Overview. Proposed section 24A provides that liquor may be sold, supplied or consumed in hotels, and hotels may be kept open for such purposes, until midnight on 30 June 2002, the night of the 2002 FIFA World Cup final.

Proposed section 24B provides that liquor may be sold, supplied or consumed in hotels, and hotels may be kept open for such purposes, until midnight on certain Sundays that are prescribed by the regulations. The Minister administering the *Liquor Act 1982* may only recommend that the date of such a Sunday be prescribed if, in the opinion of the Minister, an event of State, national or international significance is to be held on that date.

The proposed sections do not authorise the sale, consumption or supply of liquor in a hotel contrary to a restriction or prohibition imposed, otherwise than under section 24 of the *Liquor Act 1982* (the section that provides for the trading hours of hotels), in respect of the trading hours for the hotel.