

COLLIEFIELDS HOTEL, LICENCE

593. Hon BARRY HOUSE to the Minister for Racing and Gaming:

Some notice of this question has been given.

- (1) Why has the Colliefields Hotel's licence been suspended?
- (2) What is required of the licensee for restoration of the licence?
- (3) What are the consequences if the licensee cannot meet these requirements?
- (4) What avenues of appeal against the suspension conditions exist for the licensee?

Hon NICK GRIFFITHS replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question.

- (1) A Liquor Licensing Court order dated 19 August 2002 specified that the licence be suspended unless within 90 days of the service of the order upon Morcodian Pty Ltd, the licensee of the Colliefields Hotel, the licensee provided written evidence to the Director of Liquor Licensing of compliance with the schedule of requirements dated 30 March 2001. As the licensee failed to comply with the terms of that order, the licence was suspended on 20 November 2002.
- (2) The licensee must present evidence of compliance with the schedule of requirements dated 30 March 2001.
- (3) The licence will remain in suspension until 31 March 2003. After that time, if the schedule of requirements has not been met, the Liquor Licensing Court may decide to either continue the licence suspension or cancel the licence pursuant to section 93 of the Liquor Licensing Act 1988.
- (4) The licensee can appeal to the Supreme Court of Western Australia under section 28 of the Liquor Licensing Act 1988.

I am in a position to provide the honourable member with a schedule of requirements. I do not propose to table that because I am conscious of the fact that I am dealing with the interests of a private citizen.