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## **Alternative Cheap on Facts, Expensive in Dollars**

The Australian Greens "cheap alternative" policy announced this morning that gaming machines would have a \$1 limit on bets is fatally flawed, according to the Gaming Technologies Association which represents the suppliers of gaming machines.

"Changing a machine to a \$1 bet limit requires a game change, which as everybody in the industry knows will cost \$5,000 per machine and more than that for machines older than 3 years" said the Association's CEO, Ross Ferrar.

"The Greens are also wrong in describing existing Australian gaming machines are fast or 'intense'. Almost everywhere else in the world, the reel spin can be 'fast forwarded' to tenths of a second or even less; and in many cases, the Maximum Bet is unlimited or much larger than in Australia.

"The Greens have never spoken with industry, so appear to be ill-advised on this matter" he said.

Gaming Technologies Association's full members include [Ainsworth Game Technology](#), [Aristocrat Technologies](#), [Aruze Gaming Australia](#), [Bally Technologies](#), [IGT Australia](#), [Konami Gaming Australia](#), [Shufflemaster Australasia](#) and [WMS Gaming Australia](#).

Among its other activities, the Gaming Technologies Association hosts and operates the [Australasian Gaming Expo](#), held in August each year at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre.

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