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Gaming machine Jackpot information display

Recently I visited Las Vegas and noted that some jackpot gaming machines were fitted with an external display notice.

The notice said **“The jackpot can only be won playing all lines”**

This sign was not on all gaming machines, indicating that not all games operated in the same way.

If gaming machines in South Australia operate where all lines must be played to win the Jackpot then we need to alter the way we inform people.

Whilst gaming machines in most cases have an information button that provides details of game operation, it may not be clear that the jackpot cannot be won without playing all lines.

An external sign fitted to the Jackpot gaming machines where playing all lines is required to win the Jackpot should be implemented.

It should be considered unethical to have people play a gaming machine where they think they could win a major jackpot when only playing a few lines when they have absolutely no chance of this happening!

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